

Guildford Coastal Cruising Club enjoyed a most convivial evening at Gins Farm, the home of the Beaulieu River arm of the Royal Southampton Yacht Club, where seven club boats congregated on Saturday June 13th.

Welcome drinks were served aboard Rumours and sixteen club members squeezed into the cockpit and surrounding areas. The party then assembled ashore for the short walk to the clubhouse to enjoy the promised sun kissed view from the veranda (it rained!).

Dinner was served at 19.30 hrs and the excellent three course meal was enjoyed by everyone. Special thanks must go to Robert and Michael who made us most welcome and to the two ladies who presented the food. To be able to dine in surroundings such as Gins Farm is always a pleasure and the view from our table was nothing short of breathtaking... June is most certainly the right time for a rally to this venue as the view can be enjoyed for the entire evening.

The party returned to their respective craft at around 22.30hrs and all agreed that the evening had been a success. The added bonus was that Sunday dawned warm and sunny with the river looking its stunning best.

An excellent venue and one that must be maintained in the cruising calendar. Special thanks to all those who attended for making the organisation of this event so easy on the night. Robert was extremely impressed!!

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