

## OUT TO LUNCH –Warsash

*A hot July day found us venturing into the crowded Mecca of British yachting*

When navigation notes refer to ‘an area of concern’ in the river entrance you have to be on your toes as boats cross over to Hamble Point Marina, but observing the six knot speed limit we managed to avoid yotties, MoBos, RIBs and the pink ferry while heading for the conspicuous black-and-white Harbourmaster’s building on the East bank.



This overlooks a deep-water walk-ashore landing where, if you can find room, a 4-hour stay is permitted for a reasonable £6, less if you are prepared to row ashore from the midstream pontoon.



The friendly welcome in Warsash Sailing Club was tempting but we opted for The

Rising Sun PH next door where an extensive menu will satisfy most tastes. We were able to gorge ourselves and watch the waterborne traffic with little concern for time or tide, then stroll into the village to browse around Warsash Nautical Bookshop, passing two more pubs on the way: both serve food, so it looks like a repeat visit is called for!



*Verdict: A justifiably popular waterside venue*

Tides on the day: HW S'ton 1220 & 1500 ht 4.4m  
Crowded pontoon with shore access  
Harbourmaster tel 01489 576387 & VHF Ch 68  
Rising Sun tel 01489 576898

