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Lizzy Daly
SUNDAY 23 SEPTEMBER
Wildlife biologist, regular face on CBeebies and presenter for BBC Earth Unplugged, Lizzie Daly will host a number of interactive sessions for all the family to enjoy, from the ocean’s weirdest sea birds to her personal stories of the wild Welsh coasts. A conservationist with a fierce passion for protecting our oceans and wild spaces, Lizzie will inspire visitors of all ages with her appreciation of the natural world.

WHEN AND WHERE?
12:00 PM Science of the Sea Experience
1:00 PM Heart Stage in Festival Green
3:45 PM Science of the Sea Experience

The Hairy Bikers
SATURDAY 22 SEPTEMBER
Live at the Show, the nation’s most loved culinary duo, Si King and Dave Myers (a.k.a. the Hairy Bikers), will give an exciting cooking demonstration of one of the exclusive dishes to feature on the Mariner’s Grill menu. Afterwards there’s an opportunity to meet the pair in person.

WHEN AND WHERE?
12:30 PM Outside the Mariner’s Grill restaurant

Launch of Maiden World Tour
SATURDAY 22 SEPTEMBER
The fully restored Maiden will be available for visitors to see before she departs on the first leg of a three-year world tour. Before setting sail, Tracy Edwards MBE and the rest of the crew will be on stage for a fascinating Q&A.

WHEN AND WHERE?
12:00 PM - 2:00 PM Explore Maiden (Berth M168A)
1:15 PM - 1:45 PM Crew Q&A (Heart Stage in Festival Green)

Meet Anahita the mermaid
BOTH SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS
Children and adults alike will be entranced by the beauty and grace of Anahita the mermaid as she glides through the crowds in her giant, magical ocean globe complete with dancing seaweed. Touch her hand, release her mermaid kisses and let your imagination run free.

WHEN AND WHERE?
Roaming the Show at intervals throughout the day
HEART STAGE TIMETABLE

Fabulous entertainment is a big part of TheYachtMarket.com Southampton Boat Show and for our 50 year celebration we’ll be hosting some amazing music, acts and special guest appearances on the Heart Stage in the Festival Green

Friday 14 September
11:00 AM – 11:45 AM  Dave Selby, PBO Columnist
12:00 PM – 12:45 PM  Oyster Yachts
12:00 PM – 12:45 PM  Alex Alley
1:00 PM – 2:45 PM  Martin Berman, Go Earth: How to buy a boat
3:00 PM – 6:00 PM  Music: Heat Wave

Saturday 15 September
12:00 PM – 12:45 PM  Steve Backshall
1:00 PM – 1:45 PM  Marlow Ropes demo
3:00 PM – 3:30 PM  Monty Halls
3:30 PM – 4:15 PM  Steve Backshall
4:15 PM – 6:00 PM  Music: The Storeys

Sunday 16 September
11:00 AM – 11:45 AM  Music: Marchwood Military Wives band
12:00 PM – 12:45 PM  Sailing Uma
1:00 PM – 1:45 PM  Monty Halls
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3:30 PM – 6:00 PM  Music: POP Inc

Monday 17 September
11:00 AM – 11:45 AM  Jack Haines from MBY “How we test boats, and what should you buy?”
12:00 PM – 12:45 PM  RNLI
1:00 PM – 1:45 PM  John Savage, Shaun Pascoe from Turn to Starboard & Claire Brook from Blue Marine Foundation
2:00 PM – 2:45 PM  Richard Roberts – world first marine conservation project from the co-founders of TheYachtMarket.com
3:00 PM – 6:00 PM  New Things

Tuesday 18 September
12:00 PM – 12:45 PM  RNLI
2:00 PM – 2:45 PM  Martin Berman, Go Earth: How to buy a boat
3:00 PM – 6:00 PM  Music: Impostors

Wednesday 19 September
12:00 PM – 12:45 PM  Marlow Ropes demo
3:00 PM – 6:00 PM  Music: Blue Kings

Thursday 20 September
11:00 AM – 11:45 AM  Elaine Bunting, Yachting World
1:00 PM – 1:45 PM  Diane Youdale, (“Jet” from Gladiators)
3:00 PM – 6:00 PM  Music: Heat Wave

Friday 21 September
1:00 PM – 2:45 PM  Duncan Wells: “Stress Free Sailing”
2:00 PM – 2:45 PM  Martin Berman, Go Earth: How to buy a boat
3:00 PM – 6:00 PM  Music: POP Inc

Saturday 22 September
2:00 PM – 2:45 PM  Tracy Edwards and the rest of Maiden’s crew
3:00 PM – 6:00 PM  Music: Top Cat

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11:00 AM – 11:45 AM  Music: Marchwood Military Wives band
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1:00 PM – 1:45 PM  Lizzie Daly
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