



Supporting Wounded Veterans'

Ocean Challenge

1st – 5th July 2019

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After the guns have fallen silent, and the din of battle quietened, the real fight begins.

HRH Prince Henry of Wales

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Introduction

Following on from the continued success of Skiing with Heroes, the Ski Week and the Business Challenge, Supporting Wounded Veterans added the Ocean Challenge to their programmes for the first time in 2018. It was an enormous success with 4 international teams training and then competing in the famous 'Round the Island Race'. The Ocean Challenge brings together medically discharged international veterans to live together on the boat, train together and race together in a manner that most will not have experienced since becoming injured.

UK FORCES have been deployed on operations continuously over the last 30 years in conflicts ranging from Northern Ireland, the Balkans, Sierra Leone, Iraq, Afghanistan and more recently in Libya and Syria. Since 2001, over 22,000 have been medically discharged with little access to the infrastructure required to both enhance or stabilise their medical condition and give them the opportunity to find meaningful employment.

THE SECOND SUPPORTING WOUNDED VETERANS' OCEAN CHALLENGE will be another fun, demanding, adrenaline fueled and competitive sailing event which will be made up of 5 days – 3 initial days of training, then 2 combined days of training and racing. Corporate teams will join the Veteran teams for the last 2 days of training and racing, and the week will culminate in a final showdown race for victory. The Ocean Challenge ensures that able bodied and disabled sailors compete on equal terms, after the initial intensive training.



“Thank you for making this possible for me. I will for sure try to come back to the UK and do more sailing if I can. This was an eye opener on what I want in life and on a new sport. I will forever be grateful to you guys.”

(Canadian Veteran, 2018 Challenge)

The charity

“The interaction in the UK-Canada-USA sail boat, and on the ground, was very enriching for me. It showed me again that many people out there are really concerned about veteran's health and future.”

SUPPORTING WOUNDED VETERANS' mission is to help medically discharged wounded Veterans back into meaningful civilian life and employment. The Key Programmes are:

- Skihabilitation
- Mentoring
- Pain Management in conjunction with King Edward VII Hospital
- Occupation and Training

Each of these **needs-driven** programmes has been established to address the physical and mental needs of the Veterans.



“Sunsail were extremely proud to support the first Ocean Challenge event, both with the provision of the Sunsail Match 40s, the skippers and first mates for training but, most importantly as a team sponsor. Meeting and sailing with the veterans was inspiring and rewarding for all and this is definitely an event we would like to continue to support.”

(Simon Boulding – Events Director)

The itinerary

Further details will be forwarded once your booking is confirmed

VETERANS TEAM TRAINING

Monday 1 July 2019

- SWV Veterans arrive in Cowes, Isle of Wight, meet their team mates and join their boats.
- Event and safety briefing.
- Afternoon training session.
- Berth overnight in Yarmouth, IoW.

Tuesday 2 July 2019

- Depart from Yarmouth.
- Second Veterans training day with practice racing in the afternoon.
- Berth overnight in Newtown Creek, IoW.

Wednesday 3 July 2019

- Depart from Newtown Creek.
- Third training morning with points counting afternoon racing.
- Berth overnight in Beaulieu River.

CORPORATE TEAMS JOIN THE CHALLENGE

Thursday 4 July 2019

- Veterans depart Beaulieu.
- Corporate Teams event and safety in Cowes.
- Training and practice racing in the morning.
- Veterans and corporate teams race day one in the afternoon.
- Berth overnight in Cowes.
- Fundraising evening in Cowes.

Friday 5 July 2019

- Veterans and corporate teams race day two.
- Berth after racing in Cowes.
- Final prizegiving and party.

Saturday 6 July 2019

Veterans and corporate teams depart from Cowes.

Our challengers

PREVIOUS SPONSORS AND BUSINESS CHALLENGERS

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Get involved

There are three ways to get involved and show your support:

SPONSOR A VETERANS' TEAM FOR TRAINING AND RACE

Support a Veterans Team to complete the training programme and racing (1st – 5th July) to include:

- Maximum team of x4 Veterans
- 3 day training programme
- 2 day racing against Corporate Teams
- 5-day Sunsail charter on Match 40'
- Professional skipper and first mate
- SWV buddy support
- On-board catering
- Evening activities and prizegiving
- The boat and team clothing will be named and branded after your company
- Cost - £5,000

ENTER YOUR OWN TEAM FOR 2-DAY TRAINING/RACING

- Compete against the Veteran Teams
- 2-day Sunsail charter on Match 40' (4th – 5th July)
- Maximum team of x8 employees/guests/clients
- The boat and team clothing will be named and branded after your company
- Professional skipper and first mate
- On-board catering
- Evening activities and prizegiving
- We will happily, if appropriate, arrange for a Veteran and ambassador to talk about the work of the charity at your place of work.
- Cost - £8,500
- Exclusions: transport and accommodation in Cowes
- We ask that all corporate teams fundraise £500 per person in support of the work that we do

REGATTA TITLE SPONSOR

- Title of the Regatta (e.g. SWV Ocean Challenge 2019 supported by XXXX / The XXXX SWV Ocean Challenge 2019)
- Logo included in all event branding
- 2-day Sunsail charter on Match 40' (4th – 5th July)
- Maximum team of x8 employees/guests/clients
- The boat and team clothing will be named and branded after your company
- Professional skipper and first mate
- On-board catering
- Evening activities and prizegiving
- We will happily, if appropriate, arrange for a Veteran and ambassador to talk about the work of the charity at your place of work.
- Cost - £15,000
- Exclusions: transport and accommodation in Cowes
- We ask that all corporate teams fundraise £500 per person in support of the work that we do



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— WOUNDED —
VETERANS**



REHABILITATION TO EMPLOYMENT

Supporting Wounded Veterans relies entirely on fundraising, donations and contributions in order to thrive. We hope you will join us for the Ocean Challenge and help change a life.

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A brilliant week, challenging but hugely rewarding. Positive people everywhere. Thank you so very much as I've made great friends and fond memories.

(2018 Challenge Veteran)

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