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THE BOLEH TRUST



BOLEH (bo.leh) means 'Can-Do' and the 'can-do' message has inspired the history of the Junk-Yacht BOLEH and the work of the Boleh Trust



What We Do:

- Help young people and adults facing challenge in their lives
- Use the historic junk-yacht BOLEH for traditional sail training
- Build self-confidence and develop teamwork
- Support members of the Armed Forces and their families
- Preserve British maritime heritage

National Historic Vessel 2281

Registered Charity 1175954



Boleh's History

BOLEH herself is the story of two men who overcame many obstacles to realise their dream: artist and naval war hero Commander Robin Kilroy DSC RN who designed and built his unique 40ft vessel in Singapore with Malay shipwrights before sailing her over 15,000 miles to Salcombe in 1950; and Roger Angel, skilled joiner and entrepreneur, who found her an insurance write-off in 1978 and painstakingly brought her back to life in a Rye harbour mud berth.



30 years later Robin Kilroy's family brought this iconic vessel back from Mallorca to Portsmouth for restoration, setting up the Boleh Trust in 2009 to safeguard her future. A Heritage Lottery Fund grant and many other donations enabled the Trust to set up an Apprentice School and complete BOLEH's restoration to her original design, finally returning her to the water in 2015.

Boleh Today

Designed for ocean cruising with a fusion of Eastern and Western traditions, BOLEH is now a National Historic Ship in full working order with unique, innovative features and eye-catching lines. Her traditional build and carefully restored 1949 layout hide a full outfit of 21st Century systems and she is MCA-coded to sail offshore in all weathers. In 2022 BOLEH was recommissioned by HRH The Princess Royal for Charitable Service.



Sailing BOLEH requires teamwork, initiative and effective communication and is the ideal medium for developing social skills, self-confidence and a 'can-do' attitude – and for rebuilding lives. Instruction (up to RYA Watch Leader) is provided by our professionally qualified Volunteer Skippers and Mates. When not sailing young people and adults facing challenge in their lives, BOLEH is available for commercial hire, generating revenue to help deliver our charitable aims.

