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Common Fisheries Policy Reform

Mr. Barrie Smart of the Marine Management Organisation will give a brief presentation on CFP reform at the forthcoming Authority Meeting.

Click [Here](#) for details of the meeting



Retirement

Andy Kennedy, the skipper of the Ramsgate based patrol vessel 'Ken Green' retired at the end of October.

Andy joined Kent & Essex Sea Fisheries Committee as patrol vessel crew in November 1979.

The Authority and Staff of Kent and Essex IFCA would like to wish him well in his retirement.

David Deverson replaces him as the skipper.



European Marine Sites

Members are being asked to review their decision regarding the Thanet Coast SAC following receipt of new information.

Click [here](#) to find out more.



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If you have any concerns about fishing activities in your area we want to hear from you.

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Underwater Cameras

Kent & Essex IFCA have recently taken delivery of some new underwater video equipment to complement the existing VideoRay 3 remotely operated submersible.



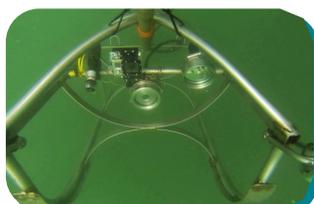
The new towed sled camera and GoPro cameras were purchased with Defra EMS survey equipment funding and will greatly enhance our underwater survey capability.

The VideoRay 3 was recently used searching for evidence of the invasive carpet sea squirt *Didemnum vexillum*. The new camera's have already been deployed in the Thanet Coast SAC and during a habitat survey of the proposed Hythe Bay MCZ.



The new **River Roach Order** came into force on 31st August 2013 and will remain in place for the next 10 years.

Find out more about it [here](#)



QUARTERLY MEETINGS

The last quarterly meeting took place at Horsebridge Arts and Community Centre, Whitstable, Kent on 5th September 2013. Matters discussed included:

- [Cockle Fishery](#)
- [European Marine Sites](#)
- [Progress with renewal of River Roach Order](#)

The next meeting will take place on

Friday 22nd November 2013 at 10am

at Gravesham Bourough Council, Civic Centre, Windmill Street, Gravesend, Kent. DA12 1AU

Among the items up for discussion are:

- [The Cockle Fishery](#)
- [European Marine Sites](#)
- [Setting up a Working Group Party for Marine Protected Areas](#)
- [Replacement Vessel](#)

There will also be presentations on

- Common Fisheries Policy reform by Mr. B. Smart
- Replacement vessel proposal by Blyth Workboats

Please [click here](#) to see our website for the full agenda and reports.

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