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Personal Accident Cover

Fishing is one of the most hazardous occupations and those who work in the industry continue to be faced with the risk of serious injury and loss of life.

Our Personal Accident Scheme provides some assistance against financial hardship at a very reasonable cost. We offer 24 hour cover including accidents ashore for crew and skippers, which provides a lump sum payment (up to £75,000 for skippers and £50,000 for crew) in the event of accidental death or permanent disablement. We can also provide a weekly sum for temporary disablement. It has never been our intention for this cover to take the place of a fisherman's existing personal arrangements, which obviously depend a great deal on individual circumstances, but we find the prompt payment under our scheme can assist owners, crew and their next of kin in often tragic circumstances.

It is important to also note that owners are not covered for personal injury to themselves under the P&I section of their policy and should consider Personal Accident insurance.

Please call our Underwriters if you wish to alter your current cover.

Choppy Waters

After two years of living with the Covid-19 pandemic, it was hoped 2022 would bring a period of stability and a return to normal life. However, instead we have experienced a major land war in Europe with the invasion of Ukraine, levels of inflation not seen for nearly forty years and three prime ministers - all in the same year!

Higher fuel costs in particular have hit the fishing industry hard, with marine diesel prices in some cases doubling year-on-year, and directly impacting boat and crew earnings as a result. Landing values remain encouraging for most sectors, but they are not increasing at the same pace as overheads, which are already impacted by the transition of operating in the UK post-Brexit.

At Sunderland Marine, we celebrated our 140-year anniversary this year and it was fitting we were able to again meet with many of our loyal owners in person, at the Fishing News Awards and Skipper Expo in Aberdeen this summer. Fishing lies at the heart of our business and we are proud to provide the insurance needs for so many boat owners and agents in the UK, Ireland and beyond.

As part of North Group, we remain financially strong and able to provide stability in premium, and personal service from our experienced team of underwriters and claims adjusters.

We are pleased to continue our support of Seafish and their releases on vessel safety and risk prevention. As in prior years, we share the Kingfisher "Talking Points" Bulletin on several such issues. You can find links to the bulletin on **sunderlandmarine.com** or **kingfisherbulletin.org**

From all at Sunderland Marine, we wish you and your families a happy, healthy and prosperous 2023!

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How have we done? Let us know what you think of the latest edition. Contact us at: sally.bettinson@nepia.com

Trawlermen: Hunting the Catch

The new series of Trawlermen: Hunting the Catch started on BBC One in October 2022 and featured British fishing boats, following their fortunes over the course of one week at sea and filming them around the clock.



Pictured above: Endeavour V fishes 200 miles out into the North Atlantic on the hunt for squid

We were pleased to see some of our Clients and insured boats, from all corners of the UK, included in the series.

- Ocean Pride, in the pursuit of pollock in the last trip before Christmas
- Endeavour V, targeting squid in the North Atlantic and avoiding rivals
- Reliance III, with Skipper John Clarke hunting for whiting in the deepest North Sea waters
- Golden Promise, facing force-6 winds to reach newly opening scallop beds
- Maxine's Pride, with Skipper Ivan Toms and his son Rhys fishing Cornwall's inshore waters

- Sharon Vale, hunting for haddock in the Irish Sea with trainee deckhands
- Victory Rose and Our Lass (pictured below), pair trawlers in the North Sea facing storms and difficult decisions
- Revival, with Skipper George Jack searching for prawns ahead of Storm Arwen's arrival

Find Trawlermen: Hunting the Catch on BBC iPlayer.

With thanks to the production team at Frank Films for the images used in this article.

TV Filming & Other Contract Help

Several of the boats featured in Hunting The Catch are insured with Sunderland Marine and in most cases the boat owner forwarded the filmmakers contract to us for approval. Owners should be aware that accepting a contract relating to their boat's operations could leave them open to added liabilities that their insurance policy would not automatically cover.

If in doubt, please forward any contract to our team so that we can review the wording and offer advice on any aspects of the contract which might not be included within your policy wording. Whether it's regarding crew, taking passengers or a boatyard contract we are happy to review and ensure your policy is tailored to protect the boat owner from any added contractual obligations.

Simple Safety Management for Fishing Vessels -2022 Update

Fishing vessel safety continues to evolve. In the past, the attention was on lifesaving equipment. Then, when the attention shifted to the human element, safety training programs for crew were created.



With the introduction of the ILO c.188 Work in Fishing Convention, there is now recognition that safety management systems have a key role in operation of a vessel. It is expected that safety management systems will become mandatory in a number of countries.

This briefing aims to help fishermen create their own effective safety management systems by providing things to think about and guidance on what to avoid. Originally created in 2020, we've updated it for 2022 and you can download it from our website, just search "Safety Management" at www.sunderlandmarine.com



See You There

We hope to attend a number of industry events in the UK and beyond in 2023, keep an eye out for updates on our website and social media.



New vessels in 2022



Voyager LK70 built by Audacious Marine on a Cougar Workboat design, this Lerwick based boat will catch mackerel and cod by the jigging method.



Vigilant IE1 owned by Graham Irvine and mainly fishes from Pittenweem. This 12m vessel was built by G. Smyth Boats of Kilkeel in 2022 and is rigged for creels.



Trident BRD75 owned by Skye Shellfish Co. Ltd and fishes out of Portree. This 12m vessel was built by Goodchild Marine of Norfolk and is rigged for creels.



Harbour Maid OB94 owned by Neil MacPhail and fishes out of the Isle of Tiree. This 10m vessel was built by Cygnus Marine Boats of Dorset and is rigged for creels.

Premium payment

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Changed Circumstances or Details and Crew Contracts

We **must** be advised of any changes in the operation or value of your vessel so that we can reassess the risk presented, including such details as:

- Crew numbers
- Crew contracts or foreign crew agreements which are not automatically covered
- Any other contractual liability
- Refits or modifications to vessel, especially if hotworks involved
- Skipper Information

It is your responsibility to advise us of any material change to the risk.

If you have any doubts or concerns regarding these issues, our Underwriters will be pleased to discuss your situation.



A visit to Venture IV

Venture IV is the latest boat for the Lovie family and was built by Macduff Shipyards – along with Endeavour V, also for the Lovie family, the largest boats produced by Macduff to date.



Pictured above: Venture III.

The Sunderland Marine team were lucky to be invited on board the Venture IV earlier this year and shown round by Don Fishing Superintendent Bryan Reid.

Alan Ure, Risk Management Surveyor, Graham Wilkie, Senior Claims Adjuster, and Wendy Ihemegbulem, Claims Assistant, of Sunderland Marine were given the guided tour of the new vessel in Macduff Harbour.

Congratulations and good fishing to the Lovie Family and Crew of Venture IV from all at Sunderland Marine.

Your team

Your team is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to assist you with your needs. Contact our underwriters and claims handlers on: +44 (0)191 232 5221 or email Underwriters-sunderlandmarine@nepia.com or Claims@sunderlandmarine.com



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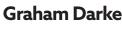






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