

Editor's Page

Support Your Lifeboat!

I recently joined the Baltimore Lifeboat Fund Raising Committee to help raise money for our local lifeboat. Every time we venture out in boats we can be safe in the knowledge that the lifeboat is nearby if we should get into difficulty. Regardless of the weather, the crew of the lifeboat battle the elements day or night to rescue people and boats in trouble. Whether it is someone sick on a nearby island or a boat with a broken down engine, the crew are on hand. Unfortunately it costs a lot of money to look after the lifeboat, so whenever you see someone fundraising help out in what ever way you can. They need your support...and it's a good cause!

Photos: Audrey Murphy



On a visit to a boatshow earlier this year my friend Tom and I took the Crew Training Challenge to see who could get into the lifeboat gear the quickest...I won!!! Hard luck



The summer is a great time of the year for beach combing. Have a look for crab claws, shells and sea urchins (above). Remember though that if it smells, don't take it home. It's not a smell you or your family would like to have around your house!



Young starlings are a noisy bunch in the summer. They are sociable birds and often gather together in large groups for a good natter! Roof tops, gardens and telephone wires will be full of these chatty birds over the next while. You can't miss them!

SEAFOOD RECIPE

Seafood Kebabs



Photo: BIM

What you need:

- Prawns
- Red Onion
- Lemon Wedges
- Bay Leaf
- Strips of Rasher
- Oysters
- Cherry Tomatoes
- Mushrooms
- Salmon cubes

What to do:

Thread prawn tails and salmon onto skewers, adding red onion segments, bayleaves and lemon wedges. Brush with marinade before placing on barbecue. Wrap oysters in strips of rasher. Thread on to skewers adding cherry tomatoes, mushrooms, bayleaves and lemon wedges. Brush with marinade before placing on barbecue. Cooks in 8 minutes!

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Welcome to the Summer Edition of Nature's Web!

Dear Reader,



Welcome everyone to the summer issue of Nature's Web. There are lots of great articles for you to read and some great experiments to try. This summer I spoke with Kieran Cotter from Baltimore Lifeboat for 'All in a Day's Work'. He describes what it is like to head out in bad weather and saving lives at sea. Check out the nature news from around the world on page 11 and jokes on page 13.

We would love to hear your views and comments and suggestions for future articles. Have a good read!

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