

Regional Events in 2012

Business Solent recognises the importance of events and festivals to the region, not only for the local economy but in also attracting national and international visitors and investors. Throughout the year we will be working with partners across the region to promote these events and festivals along with business seminars and conferences.

2012 is set to be an action-packed year for the Solent region with everything from the Olympics and Diamond Jubilee to major openings and festivals. Across the Business Solent region there will be plenty to keep you occupied – and here is just a snapshot of some of the exciting events our region will be hosting during the year.

For more information and further regional events visit www.businesssolent.com



Right: Southampton is set to host the end of Clipper 11-12 Round the World Yacht Race in July.

Date	Event	City/Region
Throughout the year	Charles Dickens bicentenary Celebration	Portsmouth
April	60 Years of Beaulieu Motor Museum	New Forest
10th – 15th April	Titanic Centenary and opening of the SeaCity Museum	Southampton
1st – 2nd May	ACE Cruise Convention 2012	Southampton
11th – 20th May	Christchurch Food & Wine Festival 2012	Christchurch
22nd – 24th May	Seawork Exhibition	Southampton
25th May – 9th June	Salisbury International Arts Festival	Salisbury
1st – 9th June	Sail for Gold Regatta	Weymouth
2nd – 5th June	The Queen's Diamond Jubilee – celebrations and events	National
22nd June – 15th July	Basingstoke Festival	Basingstoke
22nd – 24th June	Isle of Wight Festival	Isle of Wight
28th June – 1st July	Goodwood Festival of Speed	Chichester
29th June – 16th September	Marcus Adams: Royal Photographer. Photographs from the Royal Collection	Bournemouth
30th June	Round the Island Race	Isle of Wight
3rd July	P&O Cruises' 175th Anniversary	Southampton
6th – 8th July	Winchester Hat Fair	Winchester
9th – 15th July	Farnborough International Airshow	Farnborough
10th – 12th July	Fire Garden at Stonehenge for the London 2012 Festival	Salisbury
11th – 14th July	Olympic Torch Relay in the Solent region	Various locations across the region
14th – 15th July	Southsea Food Festival	Southsea
22nd July	End of Clipper 11 – 12 Round the World Yacht Race	Southampton
24th – 26th July	New Forest Show	New Forest
27th July – 12th August	London 2012 Olympic Games	London (Sailing events in Weymouth)
11th – 18th August	Cowes Week	Isle of Wight
29th August – 9th September	Paralympic Games	London (Sailing events in Weymouth)
29th August – 2nd September	The Great Dorset Steam Fair	Dorset
30th August – 2nd September	Bournemouth Air Festival	Bournemouth
6th – 9th September	Bestival	Isle of Wight
8th September	Romsey Show	Romsey
14th – 23rd September	PSP Southampton Boat Show	Southampton
15th – 16th September	Southampton International Food & Art Festival	Southampton
27th September	UK Speaker of The Year Awards	Bournemouth
October	Opening of the new Mary Rose Museum	Portsmouth

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Business Solent Events Guide 2012

Please find below some important dates for your diary – a wide range of high-level networking events, conferences and briefings throughout 2012. The events aim to connect business leaders within the Solent region and inform you of the latest developments and opportunities, together with addressing the aims, priorities and achievements of Business Solent. More detailed information on each event will be circulated throughout the year.

Booking

For more information and to reserve places on one or more of these events please email bookings@businesssolent.com or call the events team on **023 8068 2520**.

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If you would like information about event sponsorship and partnering opportunities, please contact Leigh-Sara Timberlake on **0844 225 3130** or email leigh@businesssolent.com.



“The event was very well organised and the speakers were clearly well experienced in their field.”

Abby Bartlett, Upton McGoghan
Champion Breakfast Briefing:
The Business Case for Sustainability,
November 2011

“Many thanks for arranging the event and I look forward to attending more events like this one in the future.”

Dr. Ping Hua, University of Southampton
Tour of the Southampton Ford Assembly Plant, February 2011



“It’s unusual to find this degree of business involvement and I applaud what you are doing here.”

Lord Norman Lamont
Annual Conference, January 2011

“I look forward to getting involved in initiatives of Business Solent across the wider region.”

Shaun Adams, Warings
Launch of Business Solent,
June 2011



“Very interesting and thought provoking – generated much discussion on our table, I thoroughly enjoyed the evening. Great food, great company and great to feel part of Business Solent.”

David Hobbs, Hobbs the Printers Ltd.
Directors Forum, October 2010

	Date	Event	Description	Venue
January	Wednesday 11th January 5:00pm – 7:00pm	Informal Networking Evening	Informal networking for Champions, Associates and guests	Yuzu Lounge Bar, Southampton
	Tuesday 17th January 11:00am – 3:00pm	Solent Suppliers Showcase 2012	Exhibition for local suppliers to showcase their products to regional buyers, with a food and beverage focus	De Vere Grand Harbour Hotel, Southampton
February	Monday 6th February 6:30pm – 10:00pm	Directors Forum	Exclusive black-tie dinner for Directors sponsored by Solent Champion Taylor Made Computer Solutions	Holiday Inn, Winchester
	Tuesday 7th February 8:30am – 1:30pm	Shaping Solent Skills and Recruitment	Conference in association with Solent Skills Development Zone, for business leaders to contribute to the shaping of the Solent skills and recruitment agenda	Eastpoint Centre, Southampton
	Wednesday 8th February 5:00pm – 7:00pm	Informal Networking Evening	Informal networking for Champions, Associates and guests	Grand Café, Southampton
	Thursday 9th February 7:30am – 9:30am	Champion Breakfast Briefing	Champion briefing focusing on the manufacturing sector, including a tour of the Ford Plant	Ford Plant, Southampton
March	Tuesday 21st February 9:30am – 12:30pm	Matchtech Seminar for HR Professionals	A seminar hosted by Solent Champion Matchtech and Business Solent	De Vere Village, Bournemouth
	Tuesday 28th February 6:30pm – 10:30pm	CEO Dinner	Invitation only. Sector specific dinner for CEOs	Lainston House Hotel, Winchester
	Wednesday 14th March 5:00pm – 7:00pm	Informal Networking Evening	Informal networking for Champions, Associates and guests	The White Star Tavern, Southampton
	Friday 16th March 9:00am – 2:00pm	Invest. Develop. Regenerate. Southampton – Gateway to the World	Conference focusing on the new Master Plan for Southampton	St Mary’s Stadium, Southampton
April	Tuesday 20th March 7:30am – 9:30am	Champion Breakfast Briefing	Champion briefing focusing on a business issue in the Solent region	MacDonald Botley Park Hotel, Southampton
	Tuesday 20th March 5:00pm – 7:00pm	Launch of the South Coast Business Awards 2012	Official launch reception of the 2012 South Coast Business Awards	De Vere Grand Harbour Hotel, Southampton
	Tuesday 27th March 6:30pm – 10:30pm	CEO Dinner	Invitation only. Sector specific dinner for CEOs sponsored by Champion Coffin Mew	1000 Lakeside North Harbour, Portsmouth
	Thursday 29th March 5:00pm – 7:30pm	Organisational Development Forum	Forum to incorporate HR, social inclusion and education	Best Western, Chilworth and education
	Wednesday 11th April 5:00pm – 7:00pm	Informal Networking Evening	Informal networking for Champions, Associates and guests	Yuzu Lounge Bar, Southampton
	Tuesday 24th April 12:00pm – 2:30pm	Working Lunch	Working lunch addressing a key business issue in the Solent region	Kuti’s Royal Thai Pier, Southampton
May	Wednesday 25th April 5:00pm – 7:00pm	Informal Networking Evening	Informal networking for Champions, Associates and guests	No.5 at Bridge Street, Winchester
	Thursday 26th April 5:00pm – 7:00pm	SeaCity Museum Preview	Presentation and exclusive tour of the SeaCity Museum	SeaCity Museum, Southampton
June	Tuesday 8th May 9:30am – 12:30pm	Matchtech Seminar for HR Professionals	A seminar hosted by Solent Champion Matchtech and Business Solent	Mercure Southampton Centre Dolphin Hotel
	Wednesday 9th May 5:00pm – 7:00pm	Informal Networking Evening	Informal networking for Champions, Associates and guests	Grand Café, Southampton
	Thursday 10th May 7:45am – 9:30am	Champion Breakfast Briefing	Champion briefing focusing on the leisure industry in the region	St Mary’s Stadium, Southampton
	Friday 18th May 8:30am – 2:00pm	Business Solent Annual Conference 2012	The first Business Solent Annual Conference, updating Champions and guests on regional business issues	P&O Cruises’ Oriana Cruise Ship, Southampton
	Thursday 24th May 8:00am – 4:00pm	Organisational Development Conference	Annual Organisational Development Conference for Champions and guests	The Rose Bowl, Southampton
	Tuesday 29th May 6:30pm – 10:30pm	CEO Dinner	Invitation only. Sector specific dinner for CEOs	Aspire Restaurant, City College, Southampton
July	Wednesday 13th June 5:00pm – 7:00pm	Informal Networking Evening	Informal networking for Champions, Associates and guests	La Cantina, Southampton
	Wednesday 20th June Time TBC	The Class of 2012 in 2020 Vision	Sector specific, industry led event in association with Southampton Solent University	Southampton Solent University, Southampton
	Tuesday 26th June 6:30pm – 10:30pm	CEO Dinner	Invitation only. Dinner for CEOs focusing on sustainability	Marwell Wildlife, Near Winchester
	Thursday 28th June 1:00pm – 10:30pm	Business Solent Golf Challenge 2012	Corporate golf tournament with dinner and awards presentation	Marriott Meon Valley, Southampton
August	Wednesday 4th July 6:30pm – 10:00pm	Directors Forum	Exclusive black-tie dinner for Champions and guests	Mecure Southampton Centre Dolphin Hotel
	Friday 6th July 6:45pm – Midnight	South Coast Business Awards 2012	Exclusive black-tie awards presentation dinner	De Vere Grand Harbour Hotel, Southampton
	Tuesday 10th July 12:00pm – 2:30pm	Working Lunch	Working lunch addressing a key business issue in the Solent region	Kuti’s Royal Thai Pier, Southampton
	Wednesday 11th July 5:00pm – 7:00pm	Informal Networking Evening	Informal networking for Champions, Associates and guests	Yuzu Lounge Bar, Southampton
	Thursday 12th July 5:00pm – 7:30pm	Organisational Development Forum	Forum to incorporate HR, social inclusion and education	De Vere New Place, Southampton
	Wednesday 18th July 7:45am – 9:30am	Champion Breakfast Briefing	Champion briefing focusing on the education sector in the Solent region	The Hub, City College, Southampton
September	Wednesday 5th September 5:00pm – 7:00pm	Meet Business Solent	An opportunity to meet the team and find out about the work of Business Solent	St Mary’s Stadium, Southampton
	Wednesday 12th September 5:00pm – 7:00pm	Informal Networking Evening	Informal networking for Champions, Associates and guests	Yuzu Lounge Bar, Southampton

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October	Thursday 13th September 9:30am – 12:30pm	Matchtech Seminar for HR Professionals	A seminar hosted by Solent Champion Matchtech and Business Solent	Fontwell Racecourse, Fontwell
	Wednesday 19th September 7:45am – 9:30am	Champion Breakfast Briefing at the PSP Southampton Boat Show	Champion briefing focusing on the maritime sector in the region	Mariners Restaurant, PSP Southampton Boat Show
November	Thursday 20th September 10:00am – 6:30pm	Ladies Day at the PSP Southampton Boat Show	Ladies leisure and networking day at the PSP Southampton Boat Show	The Champagne Bar, PSP Southampton Boat Show
	Wednesday 26th September 5:00pm – 7:00pm	Informal Networking Evening	Informal networking for Champions, Associates and guests	The Cromwell Arms, Romsey
	Thursday 27th September 12:00pm – 2:30pm	Working Lunch	Working lunch addressing a key business issue in the Solent region	Kuti’s Royal Thai Pier, Southampton
	Tuesday 2nd October 11:00am – 4:00pm	South Coast Business Works Exhibition 2012	A business to business exhibition organised by the Southern Daily Echo in association with Business Solent	De Vere Grand Harbour Hotel, Southampton
December	Wednesday 10th October 5:00pm – 7:00pm	Informal Networking Evening	Informal networking for Champions, Associates and guests	Banana Wharf, Southampton
	Wednesday 17th October 9:00am – 1:00pm	Solent Logistics Conference	A conference focusing on the region’s transport infrastructure and links	City Cruise Terminal, Southampton
	Tuesday 23rd October 6:30pm – 10:30pm	CEO Dinner	Invitation only. Sector specific dinner for CEOs	St Mary’s Stadium, Southampton
	Wednesday 7th November Time TBC	The Class of 2012 in 2020 Vision	Sector specific, industry led event in association with Southampton Solent University	Southampton Solent University, Southampton
	Wednesday 14th November 5:00pm – 7:00pm	Informal Networking Evening	Informal networking for Champions, Associates and guests	The White Star Tavern, Southampton
	Thursday 15th November 7:45am – 9:30am	Champion Breakfast Briefing	A business briefing for Champions and guests focusing on the creative industry in the Solent region	Ovation Restaurant, Mayflower Theatre, Southampton
January 2012	Tuesday 20th November 6:30pm – 10:00pm	Directors Forum	Exclusive black-tie dinner for Champions and guests sponsored by Champion aap3	St Mary’s Stadium, Southampton
	Tuesday 27th November 12:00pm – 2:30pm	Working Lunch	Working lunch addressing a key business issue in the Solent region	Kuti’s Royal Thai Pier, Southampton
	Wednesday 12th December 5:00pm – 8:00pm	Christmas Informal Networking Evening	Festive informal networking in a relaxed atmosphere for Champions and guests	Yuzu Lounge Bar, Southampton
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