

## **Boat Archives - 'Bernadette II'**



Do you know more about this boat? <u>Tell us!</u>

| Length              | 30'  | Prior Names             | Mira Star, Tratina, Frances<br>May |
|---------------------|--|-------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Year Built          | 1952   | Build No.               | 30/2                               |
| Beam                | 10'2   | Hull<br>Construction    | Double diagonal mahogany           |
| Draft               | 2'9  | Deck<br>Construction    |                                    |
| Engine<br>Make      | BMC Vedette, changed to diesel in 2001/02. Bow thruster fitted in 2010 | Superstructure<br>Style | Open aft cockpit                   |
| Engine Size         | 1000cc (originally)  | Number of<br>Berths     | 2 + 2                              |
| Engine Fuel<br>Type | Diesel   | Location                | Henley-on-Thames                   |

## History

|           | Originally named MIRA STAR, then TRATINA, she was built for the Bates hire      |  |  |
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|           | fleet with an open rear deck. Original engine said to be a Ford V8.             |  |  |
| 1991      | Owned by Peter Smart & Tricia Geary of Hurley.                                  |  |  |
| July 2019 | News from Tricia Geary (via FB) We owned her "from about 1992 to 2002           |  |  |
|           | when we sold her to Mark Cooper who changed her name from Tratina to            |  |  |
|           | Frances May. She was originally Mira Star, one of the Bates's hire fleet. Peter |  |  |
|           | was a boat-builder on the Thames and we completely restored her. I did all the  |  |  |
|           | red paint in the bilges, which I expect is still there!"                        |  |  |
|           | Owned by Mark Cooper of Dorchester-on-Thames.                                   |  |  |
|           | Owned by Linda Jones and moored in Henley-on-Thames.                            |  |  |
| 2017      | Newly restored and available for hire on the Thames out of Harleyford Marina.   |  |  |
|           | Now named BERNADETTE II (source: Chris Edgerley).                               |  |  |
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