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Double call-out for Angle RNLI lifeboat

Lifeboats News Release

Monday 19 December 2016

Angle RNLI's all weather lifeboat was diverted from an exercise on Sunday morning (December 18), in response to a pan-pan (urgency) broadcast from a six metre motor boat in Gelliswick Bay, on the Milford Haven Waterway.



The Tamar class lifeboat *Mark Mason* reached the scene in four minutes, at 11.13pm, and found the casualty at anchor due to a mechanical problem.

The lifeboat rigged an alongside tow, the casualty's anchor was recovered, and the motor boat was taken to Milford Docks, where she was berthed against the pontoon.

The lifeboat was then released to return to her station at 12.06pm. But, she was again alerted later in the day, at the request of the UK Coastguard, to a report of a youth, in a tender with one oar, in possible difficulty, off Wards Pier, Milford.

The lifeboat was launched just after 5pm and arrived at the scene in eight minutes. The youth had been located on the water's edge, at the entrance to Castle Pill by a local pilot vessel but, because of the depth of water, communication was difficult.

The lifeboat's Y Boat was launched and went ashore to see whether any assistance was needed. The youth was waiting for the incoming tide to allow for sufficient water to get the tender back to a mooring in Castle Pill and declined any assistance.

The Y Boat was recovered and the lifeboat returned to her station, where she was rehoused at 5.50pm.

Note to editors

CAPTION

The rescued motor boat in an alongside tow with Angle RNLI's all weather lifeboat on Sunday (December 18).

Photo: Angle RNLI.

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Key facts about the RNLI

The RNLI charity saves lives at sea. Its volunteers provide a 24-hour search and rescue service around the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland coasts. The RNLI operates over 238 lifeboat stations in the UK and Ireland and more than 240 lifeguard units on beaches around the UK and Channel Islands. The RNLI is independent of Coastguard and government and depends on voluntary donations and legacies to maintain its rescue service. Since the RNLI was founded in 1824, its lifeboat crews and lifeguards have saved over 142,700 lives.

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