



All-Weather Lifeboat, at 12.58pm on 01 August 2019

Swanage's all-weather lifeboat went on a longer than usual trip when a yacht became entangled in a marker buoy 22nm off shore.

The yacht, with 4 persons on board, was stuck fast to the seabed and needed help to safely resolve the situation.

The lifeboat arrived on scene a little over 45 minutes later and managed to cut the yacht free, but with the rope still entangled a tow was needed. A crew member was put aboard to help with the tow and a long steady tow back to Swanage was started just after 2.00pm.

3 hours later the yacht was secured to the lifeboat mooring in Swanage Bay and at 5.20pm the lifeboat was re-housed and re-fuelled ready for further service.



**This year, Swanage's lifeboats have responded to 9 incidents together.
The Shannon class all-weather lifeboat has launched to 18 further incidents.
The D class inshore lifeboat has also responded to 10 incidents.
This gives a total of 37 incidents, so far, this year**

