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BUSY WEEKEND AT THE START OF THE SUMMER SEASON FOR THE GENERAL ELLIOT II

The Port launch, General Elliot II, was out in action last weekend at the start of what no doubt will be a busy summer season. It was involved in several incidents involving local pleasure boats in BGTW which had run out of fuel and had to be assisted back to safety. The launch also took part in a search a rescue (SAR) operation involving divers in difficulty off Punta Carnero across the Bay of Gibraltar. This was in response to a request for support from the Tarifa coordination centre, with the Gibraltar Defence Police also assisting. Both divers were subsequently rescued unharmed. Commodore Bob Sanguinetti, CEO and Captain of the Port commented that once again the Port and its partners showed their professionalism in dealing with hazardous situations.

The Gibraltar Port Authority would also like to remind pleasure craft users enjoying local waters to ensure that their vessels are mechanically sound and have enough fuel on board for their activities at sea. More details on safety at sea are available in the "Safety At Sea Booklet" which can be found on the GPA website www.gibraltarport.com. Hard copies can also be collected from the front desk at the Port Office.