



Powerboat Instructor, Greg Taylor, shows George, Nick Humes and Chris Perver the ropes on sea theory, safety and the meaning of Port and Starboard signals, aboard Greg's own boat.



Peter Lowe and two other ALT members are given a brief rundown on how to inspect the engine oil level



The weather was calm, an excellent day for getting a lot of practical instruction aboard the school's ex-RNLI lifeboat. This training included manoeuvring the boat, turning in confined spaces and lashing up to the jetty.



Then out on the open sea for training on how to control the craft at speed, and the all important sea rescue work.



The rib is highly manoeuvrable as Greg encouraged us to find out. Due to the shape of the hull, it is possible to turn the boat at speed, as the ridges along the length of the boat grip the water.





The rescue work included spotting a man who had fallen into the water, how to safely approach him, and how to lift him out after the approach. No men were harmed during this exercise!



This class of boat can travel up to 30 knots within a very short space of time.