



**BROADWATER SAILING
CLUB**

AFFILIATED TO THE RYA



JUNIOR SAILING

THE JUNIOR SAILING PROGRAMME

The Club runs a Junior Sailing Programme designed for children in the age range 7 to 16 years. We will take children aged 5 and 6 but generally we find that 7 or older is the best age for learning to sail. The children are introduced to sailing through a variety of fun activities designed to help them learn the basics. More experienced sailors have the option of preparing for RYA certificates as well as race training if they enjoy competition.

There is a fleet of 10 Optimists, 16 Toppers, 3 RS Fevas, 2 Lasers and a two person Teeny which are available for use by those taking part in the programme as described below. There is a fee for membership of the programme. The fee allows children to take part in the programme and/or borrow the junior sailing boats at any time when there are no organised junior activities. Parents must stay at the club during organised sailing activities and help where they can as our programme is run by volunteers. If children are using the boats outside organised activities, parents are responsible for safety.

SATURDAY SAILING SESSIONS (JSP)

Sessions run from 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm on Saturdays April to September (excluding August). We ask members to arrive in time to get out on the water for 2.00 pm if possible. All boats need to be packed up and put away by 4.30 pm.

A typical junior session is a fairly relaxed affair with the emphasis on getting enjoyment out of sailing and being on the water. There is no pressure to accomplish anything in particular, except to sail safely. There will always be an experienced club member there to give advice whenever needed, and to keep an eye out for anyone who might need assistance. Depending upon the conditions a variety of activities may be organised, such as a rigging practice, paddling races, a collecting-the-balls game, informal sailing instruction, informal racing and towards the end of the session on warm days - capsize practice.

CERTIFICATE PREPARATION SESSIONS

In recent years a number of our junior sailors have successfully prepared for assessment for RYA certificates at stages 1-4 with an assessment taking place at an RYA accredited centre. There is an additional charge for those who wish to take part, which also covers the assessment fee.

FUN WEEK (JSP)

Fun week is all about enjoyment on the water in a sailing boat. The juniors take part in teams led by the older children in a variety of sailing and water based activities, (e.g. fancy dress, raft building and model boat making) both competitive and non-competitive. The emphasis is on fun, but we guarantee that skills will be improved and new friends made as the week progresses. To avoid disappointment, advanced booking is essential for this event as places are limited to 30.

CHOCOLATE REGATTA (JSP)

This event provides an opportunity for the juniors to complete sailing challenges and be rewarded with some very tasty prizes.

JUNIOR HLM & RACE TRAINING

The RYA Start Racing Course aims to encourage all our members to improve their racing and general sailing. The course comprises 3 Saturday sessions 9:30 am - 4 pm from the beginning of May. There is a special Junior Helm Race held in June or July. There are also opportunities for some of our sailors to extend racing skills with HOAC (Hillingdon Outdoor Activity Centre) during the winter season.

CHICHESTER CRUISE

This event is open to all sailing club members. It is a casual cruise and beach picnic for dinghy sailors in company around Chichester Harbour. It is especially popular with families who fancy a seawater sail. All ages are welcome and coastal experience is not essential.

APPROPRIATE CLOTHING

We all know how quickly children grow, so we offer a “borrow and return” box of junior second-hand wetsuits, shoes and buoyancy aids in various sizes. When your child has outgrown the item, please return it in a clean and usable condition. You will find the “borrow and return” kit hanging at one end of the Portakabin (key is hanging in the Ladies changing room). Please be careful not to take any items belonging to a member using the Portakabin changing room! All of the kit has been donated by members, and the club cannot accept liability for any injury or damage caused by its use. Buoyancy aids are borrowed at the risk of parents.

For any sailing session, children should have plenty of warm clothing in addition to a complete set of spare clothes. Shoes should be sailing shoes or boots, old trainers or deck shoes. Flip flops and wellington boots are not appropriate footwear.

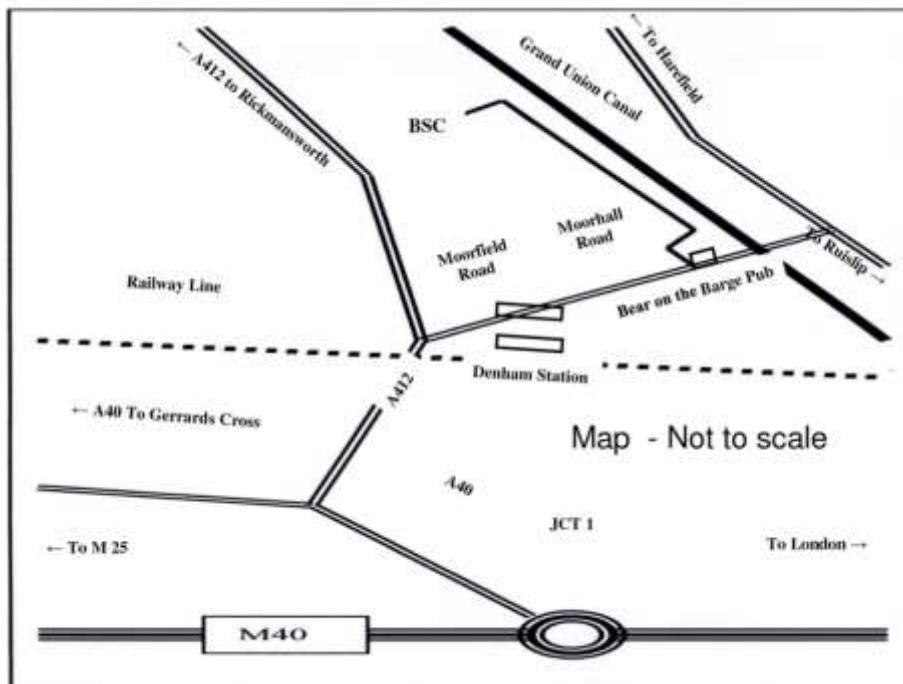
IMPORTANT NOTES

During all of these activities, buoyancy aids and suitable clothing must be worn and an adult who will be responsible for the junior taking part must be present at the club at all times. Many of the activities on offer are frequently oversubscribed, so please book early to avoid disappointment. Please keep an eye on the Junior section of the website for the latest information and photos.

(JSP) These activities are only available to those who have paid for and joined the Junior Sailing Programme.

HOW TO FIND BROADWATER LAKE

Leave the M40 at Junction 1, take the A40 towards Gerrards Cross and then follow the signs for Watford, turn right at the first set of lights onto the A412. After passing under the railway bridge at Denham Station, turn right at the traffic lights into Moorfield Road, signpost Northwood and Harefield, continue into Moorhall Road, turn left opposite the Bear on the Barge Pub onto a narrow private road and follow the signs the Club. There is a locked barrier across the road. Please make prior arrangements to visit or, at weekends, phone the Clubhouse on 01895 824749 when you arrive.



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