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## **BOATING COURSES AND WATER ACTIVITIES PROGRAMME 2016**

Throughout the year the Group runs a variety of sailing and rowing courses based on national governing body standards and taught by qualified instructors. Below is the Group's Water Activity Programme for this year, which gives details of the planned boating sessions & courses for the year, and how to book on to a course.

Boating activities, as with all outdoor activities, are weather dependant and subject to leader availability. If we do have to cancel a sessions it will be published on the [Group Facebook page](#) - please check this before travelling down to the Den, especially if the weather is bad.

### **General Boating**

These are sessions for any member of the Group to go on the water rowing, sailing or swimming. Sessions are always supervised by a suitable leader, and no experience is necessary. There is no charge for participating in general boating, just ensure you are down in time for the briefing as outlined on the programme, and bring suitable clothing as outlined below.

### **Sailing Courses**

Sailing courses can be booked via the course booking page on the Group's website (see link and instructions below). The courses are run to the RYA syllabus by our team of volunteer instructors, enabling you to get a nationally recognised RYA certificate, RYA logbook and Scout activity badge. There is a small charge to cover the cost of certificates, books and safety boat fuel.

There is a lot of demand for these courses, so we only allow you to complete one course per year. You will also need to show evidence of practice (eg general boating sessions at The Den or your own yacht club, recorded in your logbook) before we will allow you to progress onto a more advanced level course.

If all the courses fill up, we will endeavour to schedule some more courses later in the year.

### **Rowing Courses**

Rowing courses are led by the Group's British Rowing Association Instructor, who will send out an e-mail with details of these courses in due course.

### **How to book a place on a course**

1. Go to the course booking page on the Group website at: [www.3rdCB.org.uk/courses/](http://www.3rdCB.org.uk/courses/)
2. Select the course you would like to do from the list, and check the dates.
3. If a space is still available on that course, click the "Select" next to on the *Pay on the day* ticket (bottom of the right hand column), the press "Proceed".
4. If you want to add a brother or sister to the same course, you can do this by booking 2 spaces on the course. If in doubt or you have trouble then just email me at [Boating@3rdCB.org.uk](mailto:Boating@3rdCB.org.uk).
5. Check the dates are correct, and click on "Book now", then enter the required contact details, or put your name on the waiting list.



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6. After you complete the booking an e-mail will be sent to you. You must click on the link in the e-mail within 1 hour to confirm your booking, otherwise it will be released for someone else to book.
7. Your booking will be confirmed. Put the dates in your diary! You will receive a pre-course information letter prior to your course, confirming details and what you need to bring. Payment due by cash/cheque on the first day of the course.

### **What to bring**

For all activities afloat you will need to bring suitably warm clothing and footwear, which you don't mind getting wet. Jeans and wellies are not appropriate. The Den has a selection of waterproofs, wetsuits and buoyancy aids available for your use. You will need swimwear to put on under a wetsuit, and a towel to dry off with.

If it's sunny make sure you wear sun cream and a hat. You may also want to bring a packed lunch and drink or money for chips.

If you have any questions on the Group's water activities or courses, or issues using the course booking page, then please do not hesitate to contact me at [Boating@3rdCB.org.uk](mailto:Boating@3rdCB.org.uk)

Regards,



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*RYA Chief Instructor*

### 3rd CHALKWELL BAY WATER ACTIVITIES PROGRAMME 2016



	Date	HW	Activity	Briefing	Finish
April	SAT 9	1449	General Boating	12.30	17.00
		6.2			
	SUN 10	1533	General Boating	13.30	17.00
		6.1			
	SAT 23	1416	General Boating	12.00	17.00
		5.7			
SUN 24	1448	Renewal of Promise No boating			
	5.7				
May	SAT 7	1343	Stage 1&2	10.00	17.00
		6.1	& General Boating	11.30	17.00
	SUN 8	1429	Stage 1&2 continued	10.30	17.00
		6.1	& General Boating	12.00	17.00
	SAT 21	1317	Stage 3	10.00	16.00
		5.5	& General Boating	11.30	16.00
SUN 22	1350	Stage 3 continued	10.30	16.30	
	5.6	& General Boating	12.00	16.30	
June	SAT 4	1236	Den Closed		
		5.8	Guzzlers Open Day		
	SUN 5	1326	Group Open Day		
		5.9			
	SAT 18	1210	Stage 4 & Seamanship Skills	09.30	15.00
		5.3	& General Boating	10.00	15.00
SUN 19	1250	Stage 4 & Seamanship Skills cont.	10.00	15.30	
	5.4	& General Boating	11.00	16.00	
July	SAT 2	1125	General Boating	09.30	15.00
		5.5			
	SUN 3	12.23	Den Closed		
		5.6	2nd Thundersly Cubs		
	SAT 16	1044	General Boating	09.30	15.00
		5.0			
	SUN 17	1138	General Boating	10.00	15.00
		5.2			
SAT 23		No Boating			
		Essex Cadet Week			
SUN 24		No Boating			
		Essex Cadet Week			

	Date	HW	Activity	Briefing	Finish
July	SAT 30	1000	Summer Camp		
		5.1			
	SUN 31	1113	Summer Camp		
		5.3			
August	SAT 6	1544	Summer Camp		
		5.8			
	SUN 7	1620	No boating		
		5.7			
	SAT 20	1448	Stage 1&2	10.30	17.30
		6.0	& General Boating	12.30	17.30
SUN 21	1529	Stage 1&2 continued	11.00	17.30	
	6.1	& General Boating	13.00	17.30	
September	SAT 3	1442	Stage 3	10.30	17.30
		5.9	& General Boating	12.00	17.30
	SUN 4	1515	Stage 3 continued	11.30	17.30
		5.9	& General Boating	13.30	17.30
	SAT 17	1342	Old Leigh Regatta		
		6.0	(Date to be confirmed)		
SUN 18	1423	Old Leigh Regatta			
	6.2	(Date to be confirmed)			
October	SAT 1	1343	Den Closed		
		5.8	Norwich Sea Scouts	10.00	17.30
	SUN 2	1414	Den Closed		
		5.9	Norwich Sea Scouts	10.30	17.00
	SAT 15	1230	Stage 4 & Seamanship skills	10.00	16.00
		5.9	& General Boating	10.00	16.00
	SUN 16	1314	Stage 4 & Seamanship skills	10.00	16.00
		6.1	& General Boating	10.00	16.00
SAT 29	1242	General boating	10.00	16.00	
	5.6				
SUN 30	1214	General boating	10.30	16.00	
	5.7				

All boating sessions are subject to weather and leader availability.