



Proposal for Club Boat Usage Guide

Last updated 20th July 2016

Dinghies:

Currently 2 RS Feva, 1 RS Quba, 10 Optimists and 1 Laser 2 (being restored as at June 2016)

The Executive Committee has agreed that club boats may be used by any club member, at any time, subject to the following:

Club dinghies are available for use by members with priority being given to 16 – 25 year olds except on Wednesday evening when they will be used by the cadet programme. The cadet leadership team will manage their use in this setting and it should be noted that usage will be shared around the membership.

All users must adhere to the following guidelines:

- users must be able to rig and derig the club boats competently as demonstrated by a member of the Exec or Sailing Committee.
- users (except for those using the club boats during a cadet session) must register their usage. When using them for an event, they should do so via the link on the [TSC online Calendar](#). When being used outside of club events, usage should be recorded in the 'Club Boats' book which is in the Sailing Secretary pigeon hole
- users must put the boats and equipment away in a clean and tidy state and immediately report any problems to the Sailing and Bosun's Committees
- the club will monitor usage and reserves the right to bar any individual member or group of members from using the boats (for example if they are misusing the boats) or limit their usage (for example, if it is felt they are preventing other people from getting a chance to try the boats)

Tudor Patrol Boats:

currently Nemo, Marlin, Dory and Squirt and any hired craft performing the role of Patrol Boat for the club

These boats are for use by those members who have been specifically trained to use them. At any one time there must be at least one adult member trained to Tudor PB2. The other crew member can be Tudor PB1 or 2.

Youth Patrol Boat crew

Members aged 14 to 17 may operate in the role of crew as long as they have RYA PB2 and have also completed at least the Tudor PB1 training. They must also be accompanied by a parent, or parentally approved guardian, who is Tudor PB2 trained. The youth crew member may carry out all functions that adult Tudor PB1 crew normally carry out but the decision making responsibility sits with the adult PB2 member.



Single person operation of Patrol Boats

There are specific circumstances when it is considered appropriate to operate a Tudor Patrol Boat with only one person (who must be qualified to Tudor PB2) as follows:

- When the Patrol Boat is performing a non rescue role (ie shadowing another craft undergoing engine tests or similar, ferrying members to another craft such as Bruce.)
- When the PB is holding off the slipway (to clear the slipway) whilst the crew member is assisting others. Note this is only acceptable if there is another Patrol Boat afloat to provide cover for any dinghies launching.

Tudor Patrol Boats or hired craft are explicitly not to be used for:

- Joy rides / towing for fun
- Delivery to pubs/beaches/ferry pontoons unless as part of a planned Tudor event

(Note regarding hired craft; alternative/additional usage rules may be placed on us by the hirer)

Bruce

Bruce may be used in two capacities. One as a stationary committee boat conducting races from her mooring, or as a mobile committee boat or support vessel.

Dinghy sailors are to be advised that they should not attempt to come alongside Bruce.

Stationary committee boat

Race officers may use Bruce as a committee boat from her mooring. For this purpose her electrics may be switched on but her engine should remain off.

Race officers may take other members/guests onto Bruce to help with and observe the racing as long as all other Tudor rules are followed, especially the wearing of lifejackets for the duration of the trip. These individuals will be ferried to Bruce by a Patrol Boat in advance of the race and therefore race officers may need to consider getting to the club earlier to allow this transfer to take place in sufficient time for the Patrol Boat to return to provide on water cover to the launching dinghies. If additional individuals are to be ferried to Bruce, the number will be limited by the capacity of a single Patrol Boat unless agreed with the Patrol Boat helms in advance.

Mobile committee boat or support vessel

Only those members specifically trained and signed off to use Bruce by one of the club's nominated training resources will be allowed to move her off her mooring.

There must always be at least two people on board before moving Bruce from her mooring and one of these will be nominated Skipper for the outing and will have signed the log book as such.

Other members and guests are permitted on board with the above restrictions.

Permitted uses of Bruce are as follows:

- Stationary committee boat from her mooring
- Anchored committee boat in another part of the harbour



- Mother Goose vessel to accompany out of harbour cruises
- Bruce may also be used as a fishing platform on her mooring if she is not required for club events.

Unresolved issues regarding the operation of Bruce

Issues outstanding are as follows:

- Training process and list of training skippers
- Process for storage of and signing out of keys
- Process for reporting of issues
- Process for managing and replenishing fuel usage

Therefore this part of the document will be updated prior to Bruce going on the water.