

## Club Boat Usage Guide

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### Dinghies:

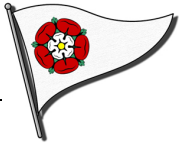
Currently 2 RS Feva, 1 RS Quba, 3 RS Tera, 1 Topper Topaz, 10 Optimists, 1 Wayfarer and 1 Wanderer

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.

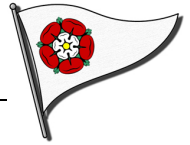
All users must adhere to the following guidelines:

- 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 booked and paid for through the online system. Charges will be set by the Exec and are visible when booking.
- Cadet usage outside the cadet sessions must be paid for by a responsible adult, who remains responsible for the use and safety of the boat and cadet.
- 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)
- Please note that the club Fevas, Quba Teras and Topaz should only be used if the wind is no stronger than a force 4 wind (max 16 knots). This should be measured as per the Cambermet service which can be found at [www.cambermet.co.uk](http://www.cambermet.co.uk). This is in line with the manufacturers recommendations for these dinghies and is in place to ensure that the hulls are not over stressed by the forces caused by high winds. Please therefore check the weather conditions before taking the club boats out. If you have booked and paid for a club boat in advance, you will be refunded if you are unable to use it due to the weather conditions.
- No club boats should be taken outside the harbour unless authorised by



Sailing Committee (which will not be reasonably refused for experienced members)

## **Tudor Patrol Boats:**

currently Nemo, Marlin, Dory, Squirt and Gurgle 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.

There are three levels of training available:

Tudor PB1: This gives the member the ability to operate as crew on the PB. They are allowed to helm the patrol boat under the decision making guidance of the PB2 helm.

Tudor PB2: This gives the member the ability to operate as helm on the PB in the decision making capacity for the vessel.

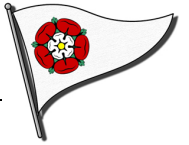
Tudor PB3 (cruisers): This gives the member the ability to operate as helm for cruiser specific activities (ie not capsized recovery) and will include towing. The crew member during cruiser recovery/relaunch can be PB1 or PB2 qualified. Both members on each PB do not have to be PB3 qualified

At any one time there must be at least one adult member trained to Tudor PB2 or 3 and in particular to Tudor PB2 for patrol boat duties for races or cadets. The other crew member can be Tudor PB1, 2 or 3).

## **Youth Patrol Boat crew**

In line with RYA policy, members who are 16 years and older can operate as patrol boat crew or helm as long as they also hold RYA PB2 and their parents have given their consent for them to do so. Members aged 14 or 15 can operate as patrol boat crew as long as they hold RYA PB2 and a parent (or parent appointed adult) operates as the helm. 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.

## **Supporting Cruiser recovery/relaunch**



Due to the specific requirements of the cruiser weekends anyone wishing to helm during the cruiser weekends must have completed Tudor PB3 (cruiser) training session.

### **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:

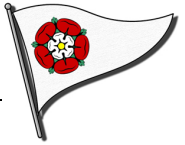
- When the Patrol Boat is performing a non rescue role (eg. shadowing another craft undergoing engine tests or similar or ferrying members to another craft such as Bruce.)
- When the PB is holding off the slipway (to clear the slipway) whilst the crew member is assisting others.

### **Checking moorings**

Dory can be used for checking cruiser moorings but should not be used for lifting moorings.

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

- Joy rides / towing for fun
- Lifting cruiser moorings (Note regarding hired craft; alternative/additional usage rules may be placed on us by the hiring organisation)



## Bruce

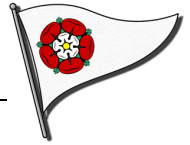
Bruce may be used by trained club members for a variety of roles. The primary purpose of Bruce is for use as a club committee boat; this takes preference over all other club use. Bruce can be utilised for the following approved activities:

- as a stationary committee boat conducting races from her mooring
- as a mobile committee boat, anchored within the harbour
- as a support vessel for club cruises
- for training purposes, either in driving displacement craft, or used for towing practice
- as a support vessel to recover stricken members cruisers
- to check the condition of club moorings and moving / installation of mooring blocks (following approval of the bosun's committee and with a suitably trained skipper helming)
- as a fishing platform from its mooring (all members)
- for organised fishing trips, following the approval of the sailing committee

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.

### **Training for moving Bruce.**

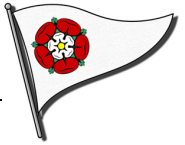
A new training programme will be implemented, known as Tudor PB4(Bruce) which will qualify members to skipper Bruce from her mooring. Other Tudor PB2 or 3 trained members may helm Bruce but a PB4 member must be on board, taking full responsibility for the vessel. Those trained to PB4 will be recorded on Dutyman as such.

### **Recovery of Cruisers, checking of moorings etc.**

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### **Stationary fishing platform**

Providing Bruce is not required for a club organised event, Bruce may be used as a static fishing platform from the mooring. Any member who would like to use Bruce for this purpose should contact the sailing committee, to be briefed regarding the procedures for safe usage. Other members and guests are permitted on board with the above restrictions.



## **Organised fishing trips**

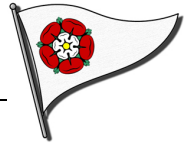
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## **Unresolved issues regarding the operation of Bruce**

**Issues outstanding are as follows:**

- Process for storage of and signing out of keys – suggest put keys in new red cabinet**
- Process for reporting of issues – similar system as per RIBs?**
- Process for managing and replenishing fuel usage – assume Bruce needs to be filled from the fuel pontoon at Southsea Marina. Fuel gauge will be installed to monitor use.**



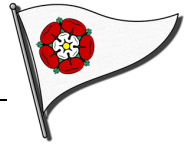
## Rowing Gig:

Please ensure you have read and understood the General Guidance document for rowing which is on display at the club, If you have any questions or have not read the document, please contact [rowing@tudorsailing.org.uk](mailto:rowing@tudorsailing.org.uk) for a copy before booking a Gig

The Rowing Gig is for use by all members subject to the following:

- The Rowing Gig must be booked in advance through the club booking system and paid for through Webcollect. Fees will be set by the Exec and are visible on Webcollect.
- Minimum crew is 2 persons – ie 1 rower + 1cox.
- Max capacity of the gig is 6 persons – ie 4 rowers + 1 cox + 1 passenger.
- The Gig crew should write on the white board who is on the gig, launch time and estimated return time and the intended destination if not returning directly to the club.
- A mobile phone must be carried with its contact number identified on the white board.
- Oar locker key can be found in the electric switch / key cabinet and must be returned after use.
- Only adults who have been DBS checked are allowed to row as a sole adult with cadets.
- Cadets who have gig experience may use the gig without an adult if a trained gig rower helps them launch and recover the boat. Cadets are to keep within the confines of Langstone Harbour unless permission to go out of harbour has been given by the sailing committee.
- Ensure bung has been fitted before launch.
- All rowers must have a buoyancy aid/ lifejacket with them though it is not compulsory to wear it unless conditions deteriorate.
- Coxwains must wear a buoyancy aid/lifejacket at all times.





- On completion of row – Gig, rudder, trolley and oars are to be washed off with fresh water before stowage.
- Equipment is to be put away carefully. Oars are easily damaged.
- Oar locker is to be locked and key returned to the electric switch - key cabinet.
- Damage to equipment must be notified to the Rowing Captain at the earliest opportunity.

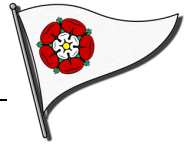
### **Additional rules for night time rowing**

Please ensure you have read the additional Guidance for night time rowing that is on display at the club. If you have any questions or have not seen the guidance, please contact [rowing@tudorsailing.org.uk](mailto:rowing@tudorsailing.org.uk) for a copy before booking a Gig. Guidance includes but is not limited to:

- Cadets are not allowed to row at night.
- Navigation lights must be used.
- Flares and a VHF radio must be carried.
- Buoyancy aids/ lifejackets must be worn and must carry an activated glow stick attached to one shoulder.

### **Kayaks:**

- The kayaks must be booked in advance through the club booking system and paid for through Webcollect. Fees will be set by the Exec and are visible on Webcollect.
- Buoyancy aids must be worn.
- You will need to get the keys from the Key safe on the back of the cupboard door in the lobby of the clubhouse, The code is updated periodically and can be obtained from a member of the Exec or Sailing Committee.
- The keys are on the sail locker bunch, marked green for the doubles and blue for the singles. The paddles and seats are in the sail box. The one set of wheels is locked



to one of the singles. The kayaks are locked to the fence in the small compound near the front gates, close to the main club house door

- Please avoid dragging the kayaks over the slip or stony beaches
- Please follow the Harbour Masters Guide to Safe Kayaking which can be found at [http://www.langstoneharbour.org.uk/images/upload/files/boating-kayak\\_docs\\_pdf\\_2022.pdf](http://www.langstoneharbour.org.uk/images/upload/files/boating-kayak_docs_pdf_2022.pdf)
- Please note that you are restricted to Kayaking within the confines of Langstone Harbour unless permission has been given in advance by the Sailing Committee.
- The kayaks are not to be used after dark.
- Cadet usage outside the cadet sessions must be paid for by a responsible adult, who remains responsible for the use and safety of the boat and cadet.