

Buccaneers

Now you are confident in sailing you may wish to progress to Buccaneers.

These sessions are for children who already have successfully completed RYA Stage 2. Training progresses to Stage 3 and to learn dinghy racing but there is still 'loads a' fun through games such as water rugby.

You can join as a Junior Club member for the year for £30.

Buccaneers practice at 2 pm on Sunday afternoons and eventually you may be invited to join the Priory Race Squad who race at Topper Open Meetings one of which will be at PSC.



Learn to sail Buccaneers at Priory Sailing Club



Priory Sailing Club Bedford



PRIORY SAILING CLUB

Priory Country Park, Barkers Lane. Bedford

BUCCANEER APPLICATION AND RENEWAL FORM (age 7 and over but under 18)

Please complete/correct all relevant pairs of this form

Junior Member /Buccaneer:

Amount Due

£30

BUCCANEERS TRAINING IS AVAILABLE ON SUNDAYS 2-4PM.

PLEASE STATE WHEN YOU WISH TO START

Name Age:

Address Date of Birth :

..... Postcode :

Tel.No

E-mail address

Name of School

LAKE SAFETY

Members must wear a buoyancy aid *at all times* whilst on the water and follow P.S.C. Sailing Rules. Sailing is permitted only when the *Safety Boat* is in use or there are *at least two craft, manned by "adults"* on the water (see Sailing Rule 3).

The Club will endeavour to ensure that:

- there is a First Aid Kit and blanket in the ground floor (wet) training room.
- there is a Survival bag on the Safety Boat.

There is also an emergency telephone on the outside front wall of die Clubhouse.

A parent or responsible adult must remain on site with children at all times.

I acknowledge receiving information about blue-green algae and Weil's disease.

I agree that membership records for myself and the Junior Member may be stored and processed electronically in accordance with the Data Protection Act.

*I agree / I do not agree** that my name, *address* and *telephone number* and those of the Junior Member may be made available to other members of Priory Sailing Club.

**Please delete as appropriate*

Signature (Parent or Guardian)Date

Please print name

Please make cheques payable to **Priory Sailing Club**

Please return this account with your remittance to:

The Membership Secretary,
Tony Ogborn
10A Rotten Row
Riseley
Bedfordshire, MK44 1EJ

(Tel 01234-708010)

Information about Blue-Green Algae. and Weil's Disease

Blue-Green algae are present in all inland water, including Priory Lake. They are not a new phenomenon, having present since fossil times, but hot weather and the growth of nutrients have caused an increase in the number of algae, particularly at the edges of shallow water.

The algae are potentially toxic, and ingestion of high concentrations of algae can be dangerous. Fortunately the exercise of a few simple precautions reduces the risk to an entirely acceptable level.

Weil's Disease is spread by rats, and the growth of the rat population has caused inland water, Surrounded by their nesting sites, to contain the organism responsible. The organism enters the body through cuts and abrasions or through the nose and throat. The incubation period is 7-13 days, and symptoms include fever, muscular pains and loss of appetite - rather like flu.

Once again prevention is a relatively simple matter, but the condition must be recognised and if flu-like symptoms are experienced I-3 weeks after sailing then a doctor should be seen. It is unsafe to assume that it is flu.

Those at risk, in descending order are;

- Swimmers, paddlers, dogs, children playing at the water's edge, beginner windsurfers.
- Dinghy sailors, canoeists. advanced windsurfers,
- Fishermen, powerboat drivers.

Precautions:

- Minimise contact with water.
- Keep non-sailors and children away from the water's edge.
- Hose down all items after sailing.
- Do not handle food without washing.
- Soak wetsuits in fresh water after use.
- Do not store wet clothing.
- Keep cuts, scratches and broken skin covered while sailing.
- Shower immediately after sailing.
- Wear shoes of some kind and keep lower limbs covered.

(Most practical things to remember in BOLD)

And finally:

Please remember that we have not had any incidents so far at PSC and that we monitor die situation all the time and keep in touch with Bedford Borough Council who test the water. More information is available and will be shown to you.

By signing the attached membership application form you acknowledge that you have been informed about the infections potentially present in inland water.

Please retain this information to remind you of the symptoms of the infections and of the precautions you should take,

Please note that you cannot sail until this acknowledgement is received.

PLEASE RETAIN THIS INFORMATION