



Thorpe Bay Yacht Club

Cadet Week Information Pack 2017

Monday 7th August – Friday 11th August

Dear Cadets and Parents,

Please read, then complete the registration pack for Cadet Week 2017. There are 4 Groups this year, as follows:

STINGRAYS - Leader: Jeremy Sandford

This group is mainly for beginners and those who do not wish to take part in structured courses or races. The emphasis will be on having fun. Minimum age - those starting infant school in September 2017 (children need to be confident in and around the water and your presence as a helper is encouraged) Priority will be given to those regular participants in Oppie Beach Club or Pico activities. **You will need to be on the beach at all times. Maximum 50 cadets.**

PIRANHAS – Leader: Andras Gal

This group is to enable the transition from Stingrays to Barracudas, with activities designed to develop confidence on the water and basic seamanship. All cadets in this group should have completed Stage 1 and/or be regular participants in either the Pico series or club racing. Cadets need to be confident in a Pico, even if not experienced. Also need to go to and from the beach unsupervised. Adult helpers must be competent and willing to sail a Pico in windy conditions, as the whole idea of the group is to build the children's confidence throughout the week. **Maximum 40 cadets (20 boats) All in Picos 2 up or individual Teras**

BARRACUDAS – Leader: Scott Weller

This group will be focusing on seamanship skills, sail training as well as racing. All helms in this group must have completed Stage 2 and/or be **regular participants** in either the Pico series or club racing. **Maximum 40 cadets (20 boats). All in Picos 2 up**

SHARKS - Leader: Rupert Snow

This group is for older cadets who are confident sailors. They will be expected to be sailing in socially compatible pairs (unless the boat is a single-hander) and will practise boat handling skills, have fun races and explore the Estuary with the possibility of an overnight camp at the Island Yacht Club on Canvey. **Maximum 40 Cadets (35 boats)**

Fees

The price of Cadet Week 2017 is £75.00. This maintains the price for the seventh year running (despite costs rising in all areas) and is achieved due to sponsorships secured. Due to the expected demand, there will be no refunds for late cancellation or for those attending only part of the week. Please send your cheque, made payable to TBYC, with your registration and supplementary forms no later than Friday 26th May 2017. Please ensure that envelopes are addressed to Jeremy Sandford - Cadet Week 2017 c/o TBYC. If you are not posting your form, please put it in the mail box which is situated by the front door of the Clubhouse. Please do not leave any application forms behind the bar. Payment for Cadet Week must be made **in full** at time of application. A DVD of Cadet Week photos will be available during the week following cadet week at a cost of £10.00 each, and can be pre ordered on the registration form.



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Should you have any questions regarding Cadet Week, please e-mail Jeremy Sandford on jeremysandford@hotmail.com

Meals

All children's lunches and evening meals are included where scheduled. If parents would like a sandwich made up for lunchtime and / or extra evening meals for themselves, or a child not participating in cadet week, please complete the attached Extra Meal Form and return it with the registration form.

Dave will be open for Breakfast each day as scheduled and will be serving sandwiches, rolls and baguettes, filled with bacon, sausage or egg. 1 item £2, 2 items £3 or 3 items £3.50.

Evening Events

- Monday; Younger Cadets (Year 8 and under) will be Bowling at the Kursaal and the older Cadets will be at Ciao for a meal and Disco.
- Tuesday; thanks to local sponsorship we will be holding an activity evening at the Clubhouse. Shark group will be camping at the Island Yacht Club if weather conditions permit.
- Wednesday; Free Night. Should weather conditions permit, we will have a 'bring your own food' informal beach BBQ.
- Thursday; Main Prize giving and sponsors introduction will be held after dinner in the clubhouse.
- Friday; Short end of week Trophy Prize Giving from the last day's races, followed by a Cadet Party and Disco. (Beach theme, so dig out those Hawaiian shirts)
- Saturday; Adults only end of Cadet Week Party – this year this event is included in the price for parents taking part in Cadet Week.

The sailing timetable for the week will be available nearer the time. As a guide, activities will commence with briefing on the Monday at 09:30hrs and half an hour later on each subsequent day.

ALL PARENTS

Please fill in the attached volunteer form letting us know how you can help during Cadet Week. The week really does depend on your support. You are reminded at least one parent or appointed guardian per child is required to help out in some way, the more volunteers, the less duties!

Places for Stingrays and Piranhas will be allocated to those participating in Oppie Beach Club and Pico series first, then on a first come first served basis as this is a novice group by definition. Places in both Barracudas and Sharks groups will be at the discretion of the Cadet Committee, and will take into account regular sailing activity in both the Pico Series and/or Club racing and attendance at Friday Cadet Nights if the demand for places exceeds the maximum numbers given.

It will be at the Cadet Committee's discretion as to which group a child will be allocated. This will not necessarily be aged related, but rather ability related.

With the exception of the Stingray group, all cadets will need to supply their own boats. It is the Parents' responsibility, and not that of the Group Leaders to secure boats for cadets. Please ensure you have acquired a boat and/or partner before applying for Cadet Week.