



Thorpe Bay Yacht Club

Cadet Week Information Pack 2019

Monday 29th July – Friday 2nd August

Dear Cadets and Parents,

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 Beach Club and Cadet racing first, then on a first come first served basis as these are novice groups 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 Race 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 **must** 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.

Please read, then complete the registration pack for Cadet Week 2019. There are 4 Groups this year, as follows:

STINGRAYS - Leader: Chris Rutt

This group is mainly for beginners and those who want to gain confidence in a boat through fun games and sailing challenges. The emphasis will be on having fun. Minimum age - those starting infant school in September 2018. Children need to be confident in and around the water and you are encouraged to help on the beach if possible (otherwise you must volunteer to help in other duties) Priority will be given to those regular participants in Beach Club or Cadet racing activities.

You will need to be on the beach at all times. Maximum 50 cadets.

PIRANHAS – Leader: Jeremy Sandford

This group is to enable the transition from Stingrays to racing in Barracudas, with fun activities designed to develop confidence on the water and basic seamanship. All Cadets need to be confident in a boat, even if not experienced. 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 enabling them to leave the beach, sail a triangular course and return to the beach unaided.

Maximum 40 cadets (20 boats). All in Picos 2 up or individual Teras/Bytes

BARRACUDAS – Leader: Nick Alston / Andras Gal

Those applying should normally be of secondary school age and have a good level of sailing experience with confidence on the water. However it may be appropriate for a less experienced sailor to pair up with a cadet who is a confident helm. The activities will include sail training, expeditions and racing. Participation in Cadet Race Training programme would be helpful.

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SHARKS - Leader: Scott Weller

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 2019 is £85.00. Costs have remained at a great 2018 price. This is only achieved due to sponsorships secured, for which we are extremely grateful. 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 Monday 13th May 2019. Please ensure that envelopes are addressed to Jeremy Sandford - Cadet Week 2019 c/o TBYC. If you are not posting your form, please put it in the mailbox 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. This can be by cheque or bank transfer to Thorpe Bay Yacht Club, sort code 55-50-28, account number 02539004. Please use your child's name as a reference.

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.

The kitchen will be open for Breakfast each day as scheduled.

Evening Events

- Monday; After food at the club, all Cadets (younger 1 game, older 2 games) will be Bowling at the Kursaal from 7pm. Remember to wear trainers you can bowl in.
- Tuesday; Thanks to local sponsorship we will be holding an activity evening at the Clubhouse. If you wish to take advantage of the Pottery painting offered by Firing imaginations, please indicate on the application form.
- Wednesday; Free Night, no food provided. Shark group will be camping at the Island Yacht Club if weather conditions permit.
- Thursday; Main Prize giving and sponsors introduction will be held after dinner in the clubhouse.
- Friday; Short end of week Trophies and Shark Prize Giving from the last day's races, followed by a Cadet Party and Disco.
- *Saturday; Adults only end of Cadet Week Party – again 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 08:30hrs and half an hour later on each subsequent day.

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