

Barnt Green Sailing Club HOUSE & GROUNDS RULES

SAILBOARD STORAGE

Sailboards may only be kept inside the club sheds provided the owner has a designated place in one of the sailboard racks. No boards may be stored on the floors of the buildings. An annual storage fee of £10 per board stored is payable (currently under review).

If space allows, Full Members may apply to store a second board subject to a further storage fee of £10. Associate Members are not entitled to be allocated more than one space.

BOAT PARKING

For the purposes of the following regulation the word "boat" shall also be deemed to mean "sailboard".

Each boat must be kept on a trolley and tied down to it in such a way that it can be moved for grass cutting. No boat may be parked on the jetty in front of the Clubhouse or on the sailboard rigging lawn.

Members may not leave their boat upturned on the club property during the sailing season.

Members who leave the club must remove their boats as soon as they cease to be a member. The club charges a boat storage fee equal to the annual over 30 years subscription for any year or part of a year in which the former member leaves his boat at the club.

Masts may be stored in the shed next to the OOD box during the winter providing the spreaders have been removed and the rigging is taped to the mast. Masts not left in this way will be removed to the outside mast rack behind the old clubhouse.

Members are to comply with any directions from Class Captains as to boat storage on the foreshore.

If at any time a Member's boat is improperly stored on the Club premises, or any membership fees remain unpaid after the 1st of July:

- a. The Committee shall be entitled to move the boat to any other part of the Property without being liable for any loss of or damage to the boat howsoever caused.
- b. The Committee shall be entitled upon giving one month's notice in writing to the member or former member at his last known address shown in the register of members, to sell the boat and deduct any monies due to the Club (whether by way of arrears of subscription or storage fees or otherwise) from the proceeds of sale before accounting for the balance (if any) to the member or former member.
- c. Alternatively any boat which in the opinion of the Committee cannot be sold may upon such notice as aforesaid, be disposed of in any manner the Committee may think fit and the expenses recovered from the member or former member. Any arrears as aforesaid shall be deemed to be the debt owing to the Club by the member or former member

Further the Club shall, at all times, have a lien over the former member's boats stored on the Club's property in respect of all monies due to the Club, whether in respect of arrears of storage fees or subscriptions or otherwise.

SLIPWAYS

These are in constant use on racing days and should be kept as clear as possible. Sailboards and their sails and dinghy launching trolleys should not be left in the water blocking slipways.

“NO-GO” AREAS

Members sailing are asked to keep clear of fishermen. They are in turn not allowed to fish from the part of the Sailing Club foreshore between the new Clubhouse and the northernmost slipway whilst organised sailing is in progress.

The Fisheries pontoon and walkway is strictly out of bounds to Sailing Club members except in the case of a medical emergency.

The banks of Upper Bittell (excluding the beach adjacent to the dinghy park) are a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI). There is a conservation agreement in place with English Nature to protect rare plant species and wildlife. Under this SSSI Agreement no sailing is allowed in the creek from 1 April - 31 July and the banks may only be used for beaching craft in cases of emergency

BATHING

Bathing is allowed only from the dinghy park and at times when there is no racing in progress. Visitors must be accompanied by a member. All bathers do so at their own risk.

Parents are solely responsible for the supervision and safety of junior members who are bathing.

CARS

A statutory speed limit of 30 mph exists on Cofton Church Lane and members are asked to observe this in the interests of good neighbourliness. A speed limit of 10 mph applies to the Club access roads which are designated bridal paths and 5 mph on the Club Drive & Car Park.

All cars must display a Club identification disc (available from the Hon. Secretary)

Cars should be parked in rows so as to make the best use of the available space. Any car parked so that it might cause an obstruction must be left with a card, showing the owners name and his whereabouts, in a prominent position in the windscreen. Cars must not be driven or parked beyond the end of the hedge at the northern end of the car park.

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE

A mobile telephone for emergency 999 calls only is kept in the cupboard in the foyer between the changing rooms and the club room next to the first aid equipment. During Sunday Sailing it is kept on charge behind the bar.

DOGS

Dogs must be kept on a lead at all times and any soiling of Club property must be cleared away promptly by the owner. Dogs, with the exception of dogs for disabled people, are not permitted in the Clubhouse.

DRINKING WATER

The only drinking water is from the specially provided taps in the kitchen and bar which have been fitted with a suitable filter, the supply is limited and taps should not be left running.