

club handbook









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Welcome to Sailing @ Burwain SC in 2021

Make the most of your Burwain membership.

Welcome to Burwain's 2021 sailing season. It's the Clubs 70th Anniversary this year and the committee's been busy developing a packed itinerary to encourage as much participation as possible. We know that Covid will impact activities, therefore we have planned a calendar that is flexible to work round any restrictions that we may face, especially in the early part of the season.

Whether you're young or old, a complete beginner or a highly experienced sailor, we hope that there is something for everyone to be involved in some form of club activity.

Here's just a few of the activities planned for 2021: Competitive racing on Saturday afternoons and Wednesday evenings; Regular adult training through our NEW Mentor Training Scheme; Development of our junior & youth members through the Sailfish Club; Learn to Sail programmes for two local schools; and finally, the return of the Corporate Challenge where we look to enter a team of beginners from a local company in the Southport 24 hour race.

Together, we hope to create a great club experience for everyone, resulting in a growing and thriving membership that sets Burwain as one of the North West's leading sailing clubs.

We look forward to seeing you on the water in 2021.

Commodore Captain Paul Graham Tom Partridge









Enjoying your Burwain membership

Sailing membership of Burwain SC gives you access to so many activities all year round: Racing, Training, Cruising, Learn 2 Sail, Sailfish for Juniors, & RC Lasers

Sailing activities

Organised activities

The club has an organised sailing calendar for 2021 consisting of:

- Racing
- RC Lasers
- Sailfish
- Learn 2 Sail / Training
- Open Events
- Cruisina

See pages 10-12 for the full list of events

These key activities represent

- 11 x race series plus a FLEXI series at the beginning of the season in response to Covid-19 restrictions
- 3 x RC lasers series plus a FLEXI series at the beginning of the year - All on Sundays
- 10 Sailfish sessions
- 10 Organised Cruising sessions

Non-organised sailing

As a full member you are entitled to sail your boat or hired club boat at any time of the year.* We ask members to only sail within their capabilities and undertake independent activities in the knowledge that you are responsible for your own personal Health & Safety.

Use of clubhouse and facilities

All members are allowed to use the club facilities both during organised and non-organised club activities.* These include the changing facilities, galley (for drinks & snacks) and the bar during normal club activities.

Galley and bar

The galley is fully equipped with tea and coffee making facilities with an honesty box for any use.

Cookers, ovens and a microwave are available for heating and preparation of simple foods and snacks. Please keep the kitchen clean and tidy after use.

As a full member you are eligible to sail any time vou like†

The bar can be made available during and after organised activities. Committee members with a key may open the bar for self service or served drinks.

Practicalities:

Club keys & security

Club keys allow access to all main areas of the clubhouse and grounds. They are specially cut keys and open the following areas: All access gates, club house door & dinghy pen gates. (Keys cost £20 which is refundable on return)

Clubhouse access - As well as standard locks, there is a keypad entry system at the main entrance. The code for access is C12360Y

Changing Rooms access - The male and female changing rooms have a keypad lock. Access can be gained using the following code C1357X

Lockers - Free lockers for valuables are available for members to use whilst undertaking activities.

Changing facilities

Heating and hot showers are available.

The heating is controlled by switches located in each changing room.

Hot Showers - To operate you need to switch on the electric located in the shower area.

Boat storage

Ensure boats are stored appropriately avoiding it presenting a trip hazard or blocking access. Ensure boats are properly lashed down incase of high winds. Full members are allowed 1 Boat space. Additional spaces are available via the Membership Secretary.

^{*} Restrictions may apply during Covid-19 lockdown periods

^{*} Members are responsible for their own personal Health & Safety whilst undertaking activities. For Training/Sailfish certain requirements such as wearing of buoyancy aids will be mandatory.

Start sailing



Adult Learn 2 Sail initiatives in 2021

Learning to sail can be both exciting and a little daunting. The Club's approach for 2021 is to incorporate Learn 2 Sail with a Club membership and team adult beginners with an experienced member - Your Sailing Mentor. Through a series of 1-to-1 sessions they'll introduce you to the basics and teach you how to sail independently and confidently. You can even be assessed for RYA levels 1 & 2 by our Senior Instructor*

* Assessments will incur costs for RYA certificates and administration.

Combined Learn 2 Sail PLUS membership

What you can expect

- 1 to 1 tuition with an experienced mentor
- Sessions to be co-ordinated with your 'Sailing Mentor' for mutually suitable dates and times
- Activities are flexible but are most likely to occur on Friday evenings, and Saturdays when there is safety boat cover.
- Initial sessions are most likely to be conducted in a double handed boat with your Sailing Mentor. This is a safe way to show you the basics, and assess your overall skills, confidence and approach to learning
- The short term aim will be to get you sailing independently in one of the single handed training boats where you will be able to practice your new skills and undertake the basic manoeuvres
- Use of Club boats during training/mentoring sessions
- · Use of Club buoyancy aids

Helping you achieve your goals

Whether you just want to learn how to sail or progress further and start racing we can help you achieve these goals.

- Option for RYA level 1 & 2 assessments
- Start racing tuition

Sailing Mentor Scheme

Your Sailing Mentor will be a volunteer member with considerable sailing experience. As welll as imparting their skills and knowledge, they'll also give you first hand insight into being a member of the Club and how to get the best from your membership.

Skills to be covered during training

- Understanding the wind & conditions
- · Equipment checks
- Boat rigging and reefing
- · Launching & retrieving boats
- Crewing
- Helming (Steering the boat)
- · Tacking and gybing
- · Points of sailing
- Sailing a triangular course



Training in a safe Covid environment

Training can involve close proximity with other people. Taining will be available subject to the latest advice by the Government and RYA.



Sailing instructors

Principal/Club Training Officer Peter Dewhurst Senior Instructors

Paul Graham , Patrick Hamilton

Instructors

James Dewhurst, Alan Hargreaves, Tom Partridge, George Graham, Chris Harris



Friday evening cruising & improver training

Practice and improve your skills.

Every Friday from **May to July** the club has informal cruising sessions for members wanting to practice and develop their skills in a safe environment with safety cover provided.

This is an excellent opportunity to improve skills and take them to the next level.

Take out a single or double handed boat and increase your time on the water. This is essential for experiencing different conditions and practicing specific skills.

Saturday afternoon sessions Opportunities for new and inexperienced members to sail and race with an experienced helm in double-hander boats. Sailing in this format with an experienced helm is a great way to develop skills and confidence on the water.



Corporate Challenge:

Southport 24 hour race 2021.

Following on from the success in 2019 (over £2,400 raised and 35th place), the club is again aiming to run a Corporate Challenge Team in 2021 (Subject to Covid Restrictions).

The aim is to train a team of adult beginners to a competent crew level where they will be confident & proficient to take part in the Southport 24 hour race.

The programme also has a charity fund raising element to provide that little bit of extra motivation.

It's a fantastic opportunity to promote the Club, encourage participation and raise money for charity.

We will be looking for support from more experienced helms to help with training and take part in the event in September. - Contact Ged Lamle or Dave Bailey for details.

Wanted - Experienced helms!

To help with adult training we need experienced helms to offer some of their time to 'Mentor' a new beginner. Pass on your knowledge and help develop the future of Burwain. Contact Paul Graham or Peter Dewhurst.

Safe Sailing - Training & Sailfish

Safety is a No.1 priority for all training based activities. The club follows RYA guidelines for trainee/instructor levels and ensures adequte safety boat cover is provided. Trainees must also:

- Always wear a buoyancy aid These can be provided by the club
- Sail within your fitness levels.
- Wear appropriate clothing for the weather conditions
- Parents must remain on Club premises during their child's Sailfish lessons.

Junior sailing



Fun & safe sailing for kids age 8 to 21

Sailfish is a great way for junior members and their families to get into sailing. Due to Covid, Sailfish will officially run on Friday evenings from May to July. However, if circumstances allow we may get out on the water earlier in April (subject to restrictions). Sailfish provides activities and training for complete beginners and opportunities for more experienced juniors to improve their skills in a fun and safe environment.

Format of a Sailfish session:

The aim of Sailfish is to develop sailing confidence and competence for juniors in a relaxed and fun environment.

An organised session will follow this typical format:

- Arrive at 6.00pm to allow time for registration, changing and briefing at 6.30pm.
- Boat rigging, and launching. (Assisted by parents)
- Juniors will be split up into groups according to their skills level
- Fun and games, practice drills, quick races & capsize drills
- Boat retrieval and de-rig

Junior development opportunities

Although Sailfish officially runs till the end of July, we encourage juniors to continue sailing throughout the season into October. The Club offers flexible training and racing opportunities at other times including most weekends before or during racing activities.

Team events: Two organised 'Sail Away' team events are normally organised. They're ideal opportunities for junior members to join in - even those new to sailing!

- 8 Hour race Hollingworth
- 12 Hour race Southport

Look out for more information

Contact: Paul Graham for Sailfish activities and what's happening

Age: 8 - 21

All abilities welcome. Training and support provided.

Dates & Times:

Taster Session: Early May (or sooner if restrictions allow)

Regular Sessions: Every Friday from May 7th to July 16th

Arrive 6pm for registration, changing & briefing. Rigging boats by 6:30pm.

Parents - get involved!

All parents are asked to help out rigging boats, launching and retrieval. Or why not help in the galley or bar.

Another great way to develop skills is to look further afield and join one of the excellent Youth /Junior events held throughout the Northwest.

NW Junior Traveller Events:

10 race days throughout the year

Taking place throughout the North's sailing clubs. Traveller events are an opportunity to race against similar aged children. Tuition & encouragement is also given to those at the back of the fleet so every child has the chance to learn and progress.

Visit: www.nwitt.co.uk for more information

Club boats & boat hire

The club has 22 boats available for members to use whilst training and are also available to hire for personal practice sessions and/or club racing.

The boats available offer a range of sizes and formats

- 5 x Optimist single-handed
- 2 x Tera junior single-handed
- 6 x Topper youth/adult single-handed
- 2 x Laser youth/adult single-handed
- 3 x Pico youth/adult, single/double-handed
- 3 x RS visions two handed dinghy
- 1 x GP14 two handed dinghy

Boat hire

Extended boat hire or Pay-as-you-go.

For new members, buying a boat can be a daunting and confusing prospect. That's why we have created two formats for boat hire. It's a great way of experiencing different types of boat and participate in club activities without the need to purchase one.

1: Extended boat hire - Hire a club boat for the season. Use it whenever you want outside of Mentor Training (subject to availability)

Season Hire: Adult £85, Junior £55

How to Hire: Contact Peter Dewhurst (Training Officer) or Dave Bailey (Berth Master) and pay for the season's use in advance

Pay-as-you-go day hire. Just turn up on the day and speak to the days Officer of the day of your intention to sail. Pay the daily hire fee and choose your boat to sail.

Day hire (single hander) £5 • Day hire (double hander) £10

These boats are a great asset to the club but are expensive to insure and maintain. Club sailing courses contribute to the running costs but the club needs the income from hire charges to make up the balance.

Bare in mind that on average it costs approx. £250 per annum to run your own boat.

Please help the club to maintain its fleet of boats.

Remember

- · Book your boat out
- · Use and store it with care
- Pay the hire charge and report any equipment problems.







Club racing



Flexible racing calendar throughout 2021

Club racing normally takes place from February to December. However, with Covid-19, lockdowns and restrictions we've devised a flexible timetable for 2021 that allows structured racing to take place as circumstances allow.

Feb - April

A Flexi series to be introduced as restrictions allow. Check the Club Website, WhatsApp Group & Facebook page.

May - Dec

Standard series have been organised from May onwards. We've organised a similar number of series as usual giving members plenty of opportunity to compete and retain interest throughout the season.

Race series formats for 2021:

The main organised race days continue to be Saturday afternoons and Wednesday evenings. The aim will be to run the majority of series as handicap races, however restrictions may mean switching to pursuit formats. Check the Club Website, WhatsApp group or Facebook page for up-to-date information.

Flexi Series • 7 x Main Saturday Series • 4 x Wednesday Evening Series

Special events

A number of special events and regattas are organised throughout the year. There is the main 2 day mid-summer regatta, the single hander championship, PLUS 2 x special one day regattas. It all adds up (hopefully) to an exciting and varied sailing timetable.

Race results & qualifying.

Races are recorded on a results sheet by the Race Officer. For handicap races elapsed times are converted to a corrected time to give each boat's finishing position. Pursuit race results are awarded to the positions of the boats on the water after an agreed length of time. Results will be formally posted online via our website www.burwain.co.uk

Fair racing

We are signed up members of the R.Y.A. Racing Charter. This means that we do our best to provide:

- 1. Fun, fair and safe racing.
- 2. Treat competitors with courtesy and respect.
- 3. Act promptly to resolve protests and disputes.

As a family club we rarely reach the formal protest stage. However, informal post-race clinics are a useful way of learning the racing rules. Parties in dispute can have incidents resolved with the help of experienced rules 'pundits'.

Sailing in a Covid safe environment

The club will operate racing inline with government restrictions and guidance.

Formats and races series may change. We'll keep you updtaed via the club Website, Email and WhatsApp Group.

Calendar of events

Jan-April Flexi Series

Dinghy Racing, RC Lasers series and Sailfish will commence as soon as restrictions and guidance allows.

The scope and formats will be decided as circumstances allow. Details on dates, formats and times will be announced by Email, Club Website and on Social Media.

Club Racing: Contact the Club Captain, Tom Partridge,

RC Lasers: Contact Richard Whittle Sailfish: Contact Paul Graham



WhatsApp,
Club Website, &
Facebook for the latest
sailing updates

Not on the WhatsApp Group? Contact Ged Lamle on 07971 170238 to be included.

Club racing RC lasers Sailfish, Cruising, Training

Special Events, Opens

Race Times (First warning signal)

Saturday racing: 1pm, 2.30pm & 3.30pm (Races 2 and 3 are usually run back to back)

Wednesday racing: Early Bird Series Starts 6pm. Last 2 races of Wednesday 3 series starts 7pm. All other Wednesday races start at 7.20pm

Open Events: 11am





May

Sat 1st	Saturday A	Race 1, 2 & 3	H'cap
Sun 2nd	RC Lasers	Spring/Summer 1	
Wed 5th	Wednesday 1	Race 1	H'cap
Fri 7th	Sailfish / Cruisii	ng / Training	6pm
Sat 8th	Saturday A	Race 4, 5 & 6	H'cap
Sun 9th	K1 Open	3 races 2 to count	Class
Wed 12th	Wednesday 1	Race 2	H'cap
Fri 14th	Sailfish / Cruisii	ng / Training	6pm
Sat 15th	Saturday A	Race 7, 8 & 9	H'cap
Sun 16th	RC lasers	Spring/Summer 2	
Wed 19th	Wednesday 1	Race 3	H'cap
Fri 21st	Sailfish / Cruisir	ng / Training	6pm
Sat 22nd	Saturday A	Race 10, 11 & 12	H'cap
Sun 23rd	RC lasers	Spring/Summer 3	
Wed 26th	Wednesday 1	Race 4	H'cap
Fri 28th	Sailfish / Cruising / Training		6pm
Sat 29th	Spring Regatta	5 races	H'cap
Sun 30th	RC lasers	Spring/Summer 4	

June

Tues 1st	Seniors Open	3 races 2 to count	H'cap
Wed 2nd	Early Bird 1 &	Wednesday Race 5	H'cap
Fri 4th	Sailfish / Cruis	sing / Training	6pm
Sat 5th	Saturday B	Race 1, 2 & 3	Puruit
Sun 6th	RC Lasers	Spring/Summer 5	
Wed 9th	Early Bird 2 &	Wednesday 1 Race 6	Pursuit
Fri 11th	Sailfish / Cruis	sing / Training	6pm
Sat 12th	Saturday B	Race 4, 5 & 6	Pursuit
Sun 13th	Laser & Streaker Open	3 races 2 to count	Class
Wed 16th	Early Bird 3 & V	Vednesday 2 Race 1	H'cap
Fri 18th	Sailfish / Cruising / Training		6pm
Sat 19th	Saturday B	Race 7, 8 & 9	Pursuit
Sat 19th	Nat 12 Open	3 races 2 to count	Class
Sun 20th	RC lasers	Spring/Summer 6	

Wed 23rd	Early Bird 4 & Wednesday 2 Race 2		H'cap
Fri 25th	Sailfish / Cruis	sing / Training	6pm
Sat 26th	Summer Regatta Race 1, 2 & 3		H'cap
Sun 27th	Summer Regatta Race 4, 5 & 6		H'cap
Sun 27th	RC Lasers Spring/ Summer 7		
Wed 30th	Early Bird 5 & Wednesday 2 Race 3		H'cap

July

Fri 2nd	Sailfish / Cruising / Training		6pm
Sat 3rd	Saturday B Race 10, 11 & 12		H'cap
Sat 3rd & Sun 4th		Lord Birkett, Ullswat	er
Sun 4th	RC Lasers	Summer/Autumn 1	
Wed 7th	Early Bird 6 & V	Vednesday 2 Race 4	H'cap
Fri 9th	Sailfish / Cruis	sing / Training	6pm
Sat 10th	Saturday C Trainer Trophy	Race 1, 2 & 3 Race 1 & 2	Pursuit
Sun 11th	RC Lasers	Summer/Autumn 2	
Wed 14th	Early Bird 7 & V	Vednesday 2 Race 5	H'cap
Fri 16th	Sailfish / Cruis	sing / Training	6pm
Sat 17th	Saturday C Trainer Trophy	Race 4, 5 & 6 Race 3 & 4	Pursuit
Sun 18th	RC Lasers	Summer/Autumn 3	
Wed 21st	Early Bird 8 & V	Vednesday 2 Race 6	H'cap
Sat 24th	Saturday C Trainer Trophy	Race 7, 8 & 9 Race 5 & 6	Pursuit
Sun 25th	RC lasers Summer/Autumn 4		
Wed 28th	Early Bird 9 & Wednesday 3 Race 1		H'cap
Sat 31st	Saturday C Trainer Trophy	Race 10, 11 & 12 Race 7 & 8	Н'сар



New to racing? The Trainer Trophy is an 8 race series for beginners and juniors.

August

Sun 1st	RC Lasers	Summer/Autumn 5	
Wed 4th	Wednesday 3	Race 2	H'cap
Sat 7th	Saturday D	Race 1, 2 & 3	H'cap
Sun 8th	RC Lasers	Summer/Autumn 6	
Wed 11th	Wednesday 3	Race 3	H'cap
Sat 14th	Saturday D	Race 4, 5 & 6	H'cap
Sun 15th	RC Lasers	Summer/Autumn 7	
Wed 18th	Wednesday 3	Race 4	H'cap
Sat 21st	SaturdayD	Race 7, 8 & 9	H'cap
Sun 22nd	RC lasers	Summer/Autumn 8	
Wed 25th	Wednesday 3	Race 5*	H'cap
Sat 28th	Saturday D	Race 10, 11 & 12	Н'сар
Sun 29th	RC lasers	Summer/Autumn 9	

September

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Wed 1st	Wednesday 3	Race 6*	H'cap
Sat 4th	Single Hander Championship	3 Races	H'cap
Sun 5th	RC Lasers	Summer/Autumn 10	
Sat 11th	Saturday E	Race 1, 2 & 3	H'cap
Sat 11th &	Sun 12th	Southport 24hr race	
Sun 12th	RC Lasers	Summer/Autumn 11	
Sat 18th	Saturday E	Race 4, 5 & 6	H'cap
Sun 19th	Solo Open	3 races 2 to count	Class
Sat 25th	70th Anniversary Regatta, Family Fun & Commodore's Reception 5 Races		
Sun 26th	RC Lasers	Summer/Autumn 12	

October

Sat 2nd	Saturday E	Race 7, 8 & 9	H'cap
Sun 3rd	RC Lasers	Autumn/Winter 1	
Sat 9th	Saturday E	Race 10, 11 & 12	H'cap
Sun 10th	RC Lasers	Autumn/Winter 2	
Sat 16th	Saturday F	Race 1, 2 & 3	H'cap
Sun 17th	RC Lasers	Autumn/Winter 3	
Sat 23rd	Saturday F	Race 4, 5 & 6	H'cap
Sun 24th	RC Lasers	Autumn/Winter 4	
Sat 30th	Saturday F	Race 7, 8 & 9	H'cap
Sun 31st	RC Lasers	Autumn/Winter 5	

Calendar of events (continued)

November

Sat 6th	Saturday F	Race 10 & 11	H'cap
Sun 7th	RC Lasers	Autumn/Winter 6	
Sat 13th	Saturday G	Race 1 & 2	H'cap
Sun 14th	RC Lasers	Autumn/Winter 7	
Sat 20th	Saturday G	Race 3 & 4	H'cap
Sat 20th	AGM		4.30pm
Sun 21st	RC Lasers	Autumn/Winter 8	
Sat 27th	Saturday G	Race 5 & 6	H'cap
Sun 28th	RC Lasers	Autumn/Winter 9	

December

Sat 4th	Saturday G	Race 7 & 8	H'cap
Sun 5th	RC Lasers	Autumn/Winter 10	
Sun 12th	RC Lasers	Autumn/Winter 11	
Sun 19th	RC Lasers	Autumn/Winter 12	

Tuesday mid-week series

Additional midweek sailing on Tuesday afternoons. Series to be organised on an ad-hoc basis for dates and Race Officer duties.

Open Meetings

Subject to Covid restrictions the following Open Meetings are currently scheduled for 2021.

Dates or events may be moved or cancelled.

K1 Open

Sunday 9th May Warning signal 11.00hrs. 3 races with 2 to count

Seniors mid-week open [over 50's]

Tuesday 1st June Loud warning signal 11.00hrs. 3 races with 2 to count

Laser open

Sunday 13th June (Run in-line with the Streaker Open). Warning signal 11.00hrs. 3 races with 2 to count

Streaker open

Sunday 13th June (Run in-line with the Laser Open). Warning signal 11.00hrs. 3 races with 2 to count

Solo Open

Sunday 19th September Warning signal 11.00hrs. 3 races with 2 to count

Start club racing

Do you want to try your hand at club racing but are not sure on how to start? Here are some hints and tips to get started.

1: Crew for an experienced

helm. This gives a great insight into tactics, wind shifts, drills and techniques. Ask the Club Captain for a list of experienced helms names and aim to complete a series.

2: Get more time on the water.

Why not attend one our organised training sessions on Friday evenings to develop your skills and increase confidence.

- 3 Set mini goals. Break the race down into achievable goals which you can build on:
 - Making the start line.
 - Reaching the first mark,
 - Completing a lap,
 - Finishing a race.
 - Finishing a series.

4: Practice your skills.

They say practice makes perfect. Spend time focussing on specific skills such as; Tacking, Gybing, Mark rounding, Ask a more experienced sailor for hints, tips and drills

5: Complete in the Trainer Trophy Series. A great opportunity to compete against members of a similar level. The series is open to beginners and juniors.

Other sailing events

Expand your sailing experience by participating in a sailing event outside the club. These can be great fun and present opportunities to develop your sailing in single/double hander events. Participate at either junior or senior level, or in a team event such as the Southport 24 hour race.

Northwest Senior Travellers Series 2021 - Provisional dates

21 races with 12 to count
Usually 7 events throughout the
Northwest for the over 50's

Delph SC - 11th May Contact: david@helme.org.uk

Burwain SC - 1st June Contact: peterdew747@gmail.com

Bolton SC - 15th June Contact: avc525@btinternet.com

Hollingworth Lake SC - 7th July Contact: mandrwatts@btinternet.com

Southport SC – 21st July Contact: e.james428@btinternet.com

Leigh & Lowton SC - 8th Sept Contact: terryoliver69@yahoo.co.uk

Elton SC - 29th September Contact: mikeseger@hotmail.co.uk

More details available at: www.rya.org.uk/rya-regions/north-west/ competition/Pages/hub.aspx

North West Topper Series - for Juniors

These are open events held at all the local sailing clubs in the North for junior sailors in the Topper Class.

Visit www.gbrtopper.co.uk/ for more details.

Junior North West Traveller Series

These are open events held at all the local sailing clubs in the North for junior sailors in any class of boat.

Contact: Paul Graham for more details.

The Lord Birkett - Ullswater

Saturday 3rd July 13.00hrs Start Sunday 4th July 11.00hrs Start

A must do event on your sailing 'bucket list'. With 235 boats on the start line it has the carnage/ adrenalin factor in abundance. A great weekend away.

The West Lancs SC. 24Hr race

Starts Saturday 11th Sept. 12.00hrs. Finish Sunday 12th Sept 12.00hrs.

A great chance to take part in an exciting team event. Do your bit either helming and crewing in the 54th 24 hour race.

PERSONAL BOAT INSURANCE

It is mandatory that all members with a boat/s ensure that they are fully insured with a reputable company for third party liability with a minimum of £2,000,000.

Race Officer (RO) duties

RACING OOD

As part of your membership all members are required to undertake a number of Race Officer duties either as Race Officer or Assistant. It is part of being a member to do ones's bit so that all members can enjoy sailing all year round.

Frequency of RO duties

- Experienced members and frequent sailors are asked to undertake 3 x RO Duties throughout the year that they can definitely attend.
- Less frequent sailors (but still experienced) are asked to pick 2 x RO Duties throughout the year that they can definitely attend.
- Inexperienced sailors and newer members should choose 3 x Assistant RO Duties that they can definitely attend throughout the year.

IMPORTANT: If at any point you are unable to make one of your duties, it is your responsibility to arrange a replacement with another member.

If a stand-in can't be arranged in time please contact either the month's DUTY COMMITTEE MEMBER (DCM) OR THE CLUB CAPTAIN Tom Partridge on 07803 479467.

Race Officer ONLINE Registration

All members should register their Race Officer & Assistant duties online. Follow the RACE OFFICER DUTY link on the website home page:

Race Officer duties - A quick guide

The role of the Race Officer and Assistant is to run and facilitate the days racing activities.

- Turn up 1 hour ahead of race start time
- All information & equipment for race officers is kept in the Race Officer box.
- Check the race series and number of races.
- · Launch a committee boat.
- Check the wind direction at all points on the lake.
- · Hoist the correct flags
- Pick a start line and create a course. IF IN DOUBT -SEEK ADVICE.
- Display the course on the RO box plus use the hand-held display board for water starts from the committee boat.
- Keep things moving, and stick to the approved race times. At the end of the days racing complete the paperwork and record results and forward to the Club Captain Tom Partridge.

www.burwain.co.uk

Duty Committee Member (DCM)

The Role:

The Duty Committee Member (DCM) is a role that the Club always used to have in the past.

The main responsibilities are to ensure that the sailing club and all the gates will be locked and left secure and the end of racing.

The DCM will also cover the race officer (RO) duty, if at short notice the scheduled RO cannot make it.

Checking that there is enough fuel for the rescue boats.

A general visual audit of the club if they spot anything that needs fixing or replacing.

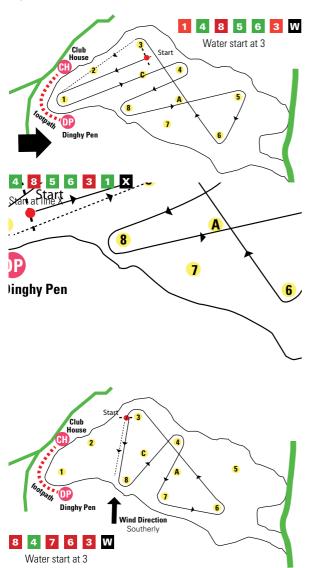
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Setting an ideal course

Creating a good racing course needs practice. There may be wind shifts, or light wind conditions around particular areas of the course which will affect your decision. The examples below illustrate the key features that a good course should contain.

BEATS: Aim for a minimum of 2 beats (These are the legs where positions can change most and test the skill of the helm).

REACHES: Always good to include a reach, especially on a breezy day.



Race start times...

To ensure race days progress efficiently RO's should start races at the times shown below for the first warning signal:

Saturday Races: Race 1: 1pm,
Race 2: 2.30pm • Race 3: 3.30pm
NB: It is good practice to run
races 2 & 3 back to back
Wednesday evening races:
Early Bird Series - 6pm
Last 2 races of Wed 3 Series 7pm.

All other Wed races - 7.20pm start.

Race lengths
Standard
handicap racing:
Keep races to approx
45mins. duration [for the leading boat and majority of the fleet].
It is helpful to set race courses which give good finishing options near the club house. If one boat is in the lead by a considerable distance then use your initiative to finish the boat slightly early so that the main fleet finishes at approx 45/50 min .

Pursuit races:
Pursuit races should be
approx. 45min for the lead boat.
Starting sequences may vary
depending on the class of boats
participating. The sequence will
be communicated in advance or
on the day via club notice boards,
the RO and social media - LEARN
YOUR START FLAG SEQUENCES.

Standard starting sequence



Handicap mass start - Start flags sequences.

The flag signals let you know where you are in the 5,4,1,Go starting sequence. They are also combined with audible sound signals.



Race Office Boat on Station

Yellow Flag
Be in the starting area.



5 Minute to Start

Flag H Up - Handicap class warning flag. Plan your start.



4 Minute to Start

Flag 'P' up (Preparatory flag) Racing rules apply, keep alert to avoid penalties.



1 Minute to Start

Flag 'P' Down Final line approach with speed and room.



GO

Flag H Down Be in the front row, maintain line and speed.

Additional Flags



Individual Recalls

Flag X Up.

OD may call you back but onus is on helms to start correctly. Flag X is lowered when all boats have started correctly (or after 3 min)



General Recall

1st substitute Flag Up - All boats return to restart in 1 minute



5 Minute to Start

Flag H Up - 5,4,1,Go start sequence



4 Minute to go

Flag P OR Black Flag -Be over this time and it's disqualification

Pursuit race starting sequences may vary depending on the boat classes on the start line.

Consult the day's Race Officer for clarification.

Covid

The Club's primary aim is the Health & Safety of its members and guests whilst using the club and facilities.

The Club will operate in line with Government Guidance and ALERT LEVEL restrictions and also refer to guidance from the RYA.

As we have learnt over the past year, our plans for opening the Club and levels of activity needs to be flexible to respond to changing circumstances and rules regarding social distancing and mixing. The Club Committee will aim to anticipate changes and convene as they happen to refine the plans and activities and communicate them to the members.

To guide which activities are permitted and best practices, the club will communicate this information via the Club Activities Plan and Policies & Procedures Document.

Club Activities Plan

This will detail which activities and access is possible under the current Alert Level.

Policies & Procedures

This will detail all the information for keeping you and fellow members SAFE whilst participating in club activities.

Both documents will be available to download from the Club website and distributed via email.

Safety

It is a member's own decision to go sailing. As such you are in charge of your own personal Health & Safety. Please read the guidance below to ensure you and other participants stay safe.

General

- It is recommended that buoyancy aids are worn for your own personal Health & Safety whilst on the water, using pontoons or operating a Powerboat.
- Are your skills and fitness levels suitable for the weather conditions?
- Ensure your boat and equipment is in good working order
- Ensure you have suitable clothing for the conditions
- Protective gear such as helmets are available on request.

Safety Boat vs Committee Boat

Organised Training Activities: Powerboats will be used as **Safety Boats** and will be made available for all organised Training & Sailfish activities.

Club Racing & Open Events: A Powerboat is usually launched as a **Committee Boat**. It is not deemed a safety boat. Its function is to facilitate the running of the racing and only provide assistance if required

Organised Training / Sailfish

The Training Officer for the activity asks that participants are aware of and follow the Health & Safety guidance.

- Safety Boats will be made available by the Club.
- Buoyancy aids **must** be worn for such activities
- Parents must remain at the club and ensure their child is properly clothed

Club racing/Open Events

- It is the member's OWN RESPONSIBILITY to be in charge of their own personal Health & Safety
- Follow the rules of sailing and avoid collisions
- The Race Officer's role is to run and facilitate the racing. Powerboats made available during racing are for race operations. It is not the Club's responsibility to provide safety cover for such events.

Cruising

 All members are permitted to sail at any time. As such you are in charge of your own Health & Safety

Operating powerboats

The Club's powerboats are a valuable and essential resource. The Club aims to train all members to a competent level for using the Powerboats. Please always comply with the following procedures to ensure safety and avoid damage.

5 Point Safety Check list before use:

- ✓ Check Fuel Reserves
- ✓ Kill Cord
- √ First Aid Kit
- ✓ Safety Knife
- ✓ Anchor

Safety on the water

Only persons with RYA Powerboat level 1 or deemed of suitable competence by the Club's Powerboat Instructor / Chief Dinghy Instructor / Training Principal may operate the craft.

- √ Kill cord MUST be worn.
- ✓ No person under the age of 15 allowed to operate the boat, unless accompanied by an experienced adult.
- ✓ Respect other users of the lake. Don't use excessive speeds unless necessary.
- ✓ Always stop the engine when recovering people from the water by removing the kill cord.

Burwain RC lasers

Can't get enough of sailing - Why not join Burwain's RC Lasers?

Why not try your skills on a smaller scale with an RC Laser? Racing takes place throughout the year and is fast and furious. Take part from the comfort of dry land and there's no need to get the wetsuit on!!

For all full members & RC laser members.

The RC Laser class sails on Sundays throughout the year with races taking place between 11 am and 3pm with a break for lunch. Anyone interested in trying the sport is welcome to come and watch or have a go. There are club boats for visitors to use and members are only too willing to give guidance and tuition.

The RC Laser sailing dinghy is a one quarter scale radio controlled single sail boat which operates just like a conventional dinghy in that it is powered only by the wind. The sail and rudder are remotely controlled via a transmitter from the shore or jetty. The boats are equipped with four easily interchangeable different sized sails to enable them to be sailed in light to strong wind conditions.

One of the attractions of sailing radio controlled model yachts is that skippers, regardless of physical ability, can experience the challenge and skill required to negotiate and sail a course without actually being in the boat. This is particularly appropriate for novices and whilst most sailors are able bodied anyone with limited physical ability who would otherwise never consider sailing or who have had to retire from sailing because of some impairment is still able to enjoy the sport. At Burwain participants don't need to be able to stand or move about as the boats are just as easily controlled from a chair or a wheelchair.

For information on RC Laser sailing contact Richard Whittle on 07752 338952

Races series at a glance

January - April

Winter/Spring FLEXI Series, (To be organised as and when restrictions allow)

Look out for messages by Email, WhatsApp and Club website for race dates.

Spring/Summer Series, 7 races:-

May 2nd, 16th, 23rd, 30th. June 6th, 20th, 27th,

Summer/Autumn Series, 12 races:-

 July
 4th,
 11th,
 18th,
 25th.

 August
 1st,
 8th,
 15th,
 22nd,
 29th.

 September
 5th.
 12th.
 26th.

Autumn/Winter Series, 12 races:-

October 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st.

November 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th.

December 5th, 12th, 19th.



Notice of Annual General Meeting

The A.G.M. for 2021 will be held at the club on Saturday 20th November at 4.30pm.

All resolutions and other business of which notice has to be given shall be made in writing to the Hon. Secretary, not less than 21 days prior to the A.G.M.

Open Water Swimming (OWS), with Pendle Tri Club

Swim Lake Burwain is operated by Pendle Triathlon Club and the open water swimming is supported by members of Pendle Triathlon club who are all volunteers.



A full safety brief is covered by a Team of Spotters, Safety Kayakers, Car park marshall and a Safety Boat with BYA coxswain.

There are two courses 500m and 250m set out in front of the club house and entry and exit is located by the boat pen across the lake from the club house. If it is your first time in open water we ask you to try the 250m course with a tow float and wetsuit.

Depending on the weather wetsuits are optional, a brightly coloured swim cap is required and a tow float is optional depending on your swimming ability.

Session timings: From Mid May Thursdays 1800 - 20-30 as the evenings get lighter, please arrive 15 minutes beforehand to get registered and sign in and get changed.

Registration is £5.00 to cover administration costs and a swim is £5.00 per session.

Swimmers should:

- Be able to swim 500m unaided.
- Be over 12 years of age on the date you swim, if under 18 an adult must accompany you in the water whilst swimming.
- Complete a simple Self Declaration and inform the Safety Team of any medical issues for your fitness and well-being
- Bring your goggles, swimming costume / trunks to wear under your own wetsuit, Pendle Triathlon club offer wetsuit hire for £ 8.00 per session.
- Wear flip flops / crocs when walking around the lake before and after you swim,
- Bring shower kit / towel, a full change of clothes and some money or we have a chip and pin terminal for refreshments afterwards.

A robust License arrangement exists between Sh2out, PTC / BSC and Canal & River Trust (CRT), ensuring that sessions run in safe water conditions.

Regular water quality testing and reports back to Sh2out who grant us the open water swimming licence and the CRT.

Pendle Triathlon club updates an OW Swimming Facebook page weekly to keep everyone informed of the sessions going ahead.

For those swimmers who require professional coaching we have Christine Bradley who is a fully qualified open water swimming instructor (available at an additional cost)

If you fancy a go at the Pendle Triathlon on Sunday 5th September 2021 there are Team Relay Places available to BSC - please email us at the link below. Please get in touch for information about Joining PTC as an individual or family, OW Swimming and the Safety Training Events we are running in 2021. Wishing you all a successful 2021

Contact details

Stephen Fraser - 07970 427520 for more details. www.facebook.com/swimlakeburwain pendletriclub.co.uk/ email Pendletriclub@gmail.com



Club Honours - Winners 2020

Sailing

Sailing		
Wednesday Seri	ies	
Wednesday 1	G. Graham	Colne Lads Cup
Wednesday 2	G. Graham	Burwain Barrel
Wednesday 3	I. Armstrong	Lothersdale Trophy
Saturday Series		
Brass Monkey	P. Hamilton	Frostbite Plate
Saturday A	G. Graham	Excalibur Trophy
Saturday B	G. Graham	Merlin Rocket Owner Trophy
Saturday C	G. Graham	Coronation Trophy (O Paget)
Saturday D	T. Ormerod	Handicap Challenge Cup
Saturday E	M. Leake	Merlin Rocket Trophy
Saturday F	P. Hamilton	National Firefly Cup
Saturday G	S. Graham	R Sutton Trophy
Tuesday Midwee	k Series	-
Tuesday Midweek 1	M. Leake	Summerscales Trophy
Tuesday Midweek 1	M. Leake	?
Regattas		
Single Hander	S Graham	Single Hander Trophy
Club Champion		
Club Champion	G Graham	Churchill Trophy
Club Awards		
Adult Club Member	A Aspden	Dobson Tankard
Most Improved Sailor	Adam & Susan Ward / Bleasdale	Burnham Motor Boat
Capsize Champion		Capsize Trophy
Junior Trophy	E. Frankland	Berconel Cup
Junior Traveller	Hugo Calvey Sutcliffe	lan Dobson Traveller Shield
Junior Club Member	J Roberts	Junior Shield
Junior Member	J. Thomas	
Over 60s Champion	M Leake	Roses Loving Cup
Lady Member	J Davenport	Ladies Glass Bowl

RC Lasers

Winter/Spring	R. Whittle
Spring/Summer	Abandoned
Summer/Autumn	G. Waugh
Autumn/Winter	G. Waugh





70 years of sailing 1951- 2021





