



Bradford & Bingley canoe club



Newsletter August 2009

Firstly, congratulations go to Laura for being promoted into Div 1.
Secondly congratulations to Hari for promotion to Div 3

Junior sessions

In previous years, we have tried to run sessions for juniors throughout the summer and found that so many people are away that attendance is patchy at best. Consequently, there will be no 6pm sessions in August. We will restart in September.

All are welcome to come to club night - 7 to 8 pm on Thursdays PROVIDED there is a qualified coach or experienced paddler to provide safety cover. We will do our best to staff sessions every week but we cannot guarantee this.

Please contact Wendy on 07786 443641 or acuwoo@fsmail.net if you intend to come so that she can arrange the necessary cover.

Cheers Tony

River Trip Washburn Sunday 2nd August

Tony and I (and any other able-bodied volunteers) will be taking members who need help, encouragement and safety, on the Washburn 2pm.

This time, we'll be looking at the top section, which you may have seen used for slaloms. We will group in the top car park at 2pm.

Please let Wendy know if you want to join us acuwoo@fsmail.net

Offers of help appreciated too. Wendy xxxxxxxxxxxx

Abbey Rapids Slalom

The proposed club trip to Abbey Rapids became a bit of a wash out for those planning to be there on the Sunday due to the torrential rain on Friday. Sally, Amy, Connor and Stuart ended up on the bottom bit of Washburn for a river trip. Thank you to Wendy, Tony and David for putting this on.

Ceri, Hari and Eddy went up to Barnard Castle on Friday evening as planned. The weather didn't seem too serious until we got to Bingley (Edmund left his helmet there). There was still a little of Bingley weir left so we carried on and hit the worst of the rain just before Scotch Corner. I found the campsite and there was enough of a break in the weather to pitch the tent (I was too tired to drive home). Not too bad a day on Saturday, I got well lost finding the new venue, but both kids got on the water and Hari came second in the ladies and got promoted to div 3. The Abbey Rapids course looked really good on Sunday, but too difficult for Hari to want to attempt. I met Karen after we had packed up the tent (and my two had made other plans for the day).

The club hoodies looked really good on my two, and were noticed. Well worth all that effort.
Cheers, Ceri

Web site

This has a new master and has been brought more up to date so check it out and send me comments/ things to put on there. Once we have sussed out how to put pictures on the web we will set up a gallery page for all those embarrassing paddling moments!!

Summer Trip – Fairnilee / Tully (20th August to 31st August)

Next planned club trip is Fairnilee/Tully. For the first time in a lot of years Fairnilee is not hosting a Div 4 event only Div 2-3 over the weekend but we will still go and maybe if we have a coach we can at least have a few practise sessions. Tully is a Div 2-1 event but coaching will be available for those who require. Anyone planning to go, please let me know so that I can get camping booked for us and maybe arrange to take club trailer with spare boats for having fun in. There is a chance that we could go up Thursday so that the slalomists can have a practise on the Friday, the Fairnilee event normally starts Saturday lunchtime to give people chance to get there. Camping is in a field with similar facilities to those we provide. This trip is not just for those going to the slaloms but can be combined with some river trips on different waters.

Other

We are hoping to take part in the Inter-clubs Competition as a club, it is for Div 3 to Prem + veterans but those not ranked can also take part. It is over the weekend of 12th / 13th September down at Cardington which is in Bedfordshire. More details when this has been confirmed. On-site camping with all facilities. Special 25th anniversary event. The cost will be £15 per team member this includes camping, disco and 24hr security along with a anniversary t shirt. Anyone wishing to take part please contact me in the first instance so that we can see if we can get a full team together.

West Tanfield will be a planned club event for Div 3 – 4. This is at the end of September on 26th / 27th. There is a good campsite with proper facilities next to the course and it also has some electric hook-ups for those who must take their straighteners!!! We will go into more detail for this event when sessions restart in September.

Please find attached the flyer for the 2009 Tyne Tour Event in Hexham Northumberland. November 6th, 7th and 8th. Hope to see you all then, best regards
Tyne Tour Organising Committee

Important – please can we all remember that if you are on the water at the club and there is no-one in the store the roller doors and personnel door must be locked

If you use club equipment please also remember to sign it out and back in, the book is on the main notice board.

Anything you want on the next newsletter or on the web please forward to me.

Anne