



Newsletter October 2009

Welcome to the October newsletter. We are now getting towards the winter period when nights draw in and we use the river lights more often. As you all know we run 52 weeks a year so we hope you will all still continue to paddle to some degree over the winter months.

Slaloms

Many of our members have been to various slaloms over the last month.

Washburn – Laura, Beth, Emma T, Rick and Jez

Holme Pierrepont – Emma T, Rick, George, Jez and Beth

Marple – Cas and Connor

Oughtibridge – Connor

West Tanfield – Amy, Sally, Connor, Cas, Eddie, Stuart, Laura, Emma and Emma T along with masses of other club members.

West Tanfield 2009

West Tanfield has become something of a tradition for B&BCC club members to turn out to support those just taking their first steps in slalom, and to have a good time to boot. This year was no exception with 7 Div 3/4 paddlers plus well over 20 non-competing hangers on.

Our competitors acquitted themselves well with 3 promotions (Amy, Sally and Connor) from 4 to 3 on Saturday followed by Edmund on Sunday. I am told that Stuart looked promising until he lost his paddle just before the hard bit.

If this event is anything to go by, the club can look forward to seeing a healthy increase in junior slalom paddling in the next year or two. Thanks must go to Wendy for taking youngsters on the water, Anne for organising everyone, parents for supporting, driving and carrying boats and, of course, to the paddlers themselves who represented B&BCC so well.

There are a few pics on my website www.tocpics.co.uk - click on 'Events & Projects' and look for 'B&BCC at West Tanfield.'
Tony

Pool Session

We are holding a number of coach lead pool training sessions. These sessions are ideal to either learn or brush up on kayak rescue training and capsizing drills, in a safe, warm and fun environment. Places are limited, so booking is essential.

Rhodesway School, Oaks Lane, Allerton, Bradford, BD15 7RU

The sessions start (be in the water) at 1.30pm-2.30pm. At a cost of £3.50 per session.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Sunday 11 th October 2009 | 2 places left | |
| Sunday 8 th November 2009 | Fully booked | |
| Sunday 6 th December 2009 | Spaces left | Coach required |
| Sunday 10 th January 2009 | Spaces left | Coach required |
| Sunday 7 th February 2009 | Spaces left | Coach required |
| Sunday 7 th March 2009 | Spaces left | Coach required |

Each paddler must bring: a paddle and spray deck (these can be borrowed from the club, however must first be signed out in loaned property book.) Boats are available to use from Rhodesway pool free of charge. **Please note, anyone bringing their own equipment must ensure it is thoroughly cleaned beforehand as we risk losing use of the pool.**

If you are interested or want to book a place please contact Viki Bailey on [01535 655248](tel:01535655248) or wiki.bailey@blueyonder.co.uk

Coaches are also required and must show the staff at the pool their current coaching, first aid and crb certificates. We still need coaches to man 4 sessions. **No coach means no session.**

Winter Trips

During the winter months we sometimes run river trips for all abilities. You must have your own transport and to be able to carry your own boat and equipment. If anyone is interested in this sort of thing contact both myself and Wendy on bradbingcanoe@gmx.com or acuwoo@fsmail.net

Next easy river trip - Sat 21st November.

Designed to suit almost anyone who can cope with Wagon Lane. Possible venues include Burrs, Matlock, Slenningford, Rawthay, Wharfe depending on water levels and air temp. Juniors are welcome but your parents must accompany you. If you want to come, please give Wendy lots of notice and think about what you're going to wear - advice available if you want it.

acuwoo@fsmail.net

Wendy x x x

Yorkshire Slalom are holding a series of winter training days of which one will be held at our site. Details are all on the website under Events for those who may be interested.

AGM

The AGM will now be held on Thursday 12th November at 1900hrs(7pm) in the main function room of the sport centre. There will be a pie and pea supper before the meeting. If you have any problems or queries with how the club is run or would like to make any proposals please contact myself on bradbingcanoe@gmx.com. Also the committee comprises Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Facilities Co-ordinator and Programme Co-ordinator. Proposals for these positions would be appreciated even if it means proposing those who already hold these positions.

Working days

Anne is looking to hold a garden working day on Tuesday 27th October between 1000hrs and 1400hrs. She will be looking at weeding all the paths round the building and both gardens. Coffee and biscuits will be provided. Anyone who is emptying their hanging baskets/window boxes and would be dumping the soil please bag it and bring down to the club to put on the garden as compost and to lift the level a bit.

Dave will be holding the main winter clean up on the weekend of 14th/15th November where he will delegate jobs to all who turn up so be prepared for heavy work.

Tree felling

We are due to fell a tree by the steps soon for safety reasons. This means that those of you have open fires/woodburners if you would like logs please let me know, donations towards felling costs appreciated bradbingcanoe@gmx.com. Will let you all know date when it is to be done, you must be able to be on site to collect logs otherwise it will all be taken away by the tree surgeon.

Next Year

Next year we are hoping to organise club slalom trips similar to the Tully and Tanfield trips. We will ensure that these trips have coaches to help all participants. They may be a full weekend away with

camping or just a single day. We will try and make sure they are within a couple of hours drive during the school terms, but during school holidays they may be further afield.

From Linda

Please pass my thanks to all the club members who have given Roxi and I such support since Simon died. This has been heart warming and has helped us during such a difficult time. Also thank you to everyone who contributed to the donation which will go to the Cardiac Critical Care unit at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Birmingham who gave Simon such good care and did all they could have done to try to save him. You are a lovely lot, and we will be seeing you all soon

Linda

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. Feed back on web content would be appreciated.

Anne