## HAWLEY LAKE SAIL TRAINING CENTRE



## **INFORMATION FOR NEW & PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS**

Welcome to Hawley Lake. Please find below some brief information on how we work:

**How much does it cost to join?** You pay a one-off joining fee in the first year (£58 for 2024). Please note, there is no discount on the Joining Fee, although we do waive this if you/your child do one of our 2-day (adult) or 5-day (junior) courses. You then need to add an annual membership and any boat berth or passes.

**How much is annual membership?** You pick either individual, junior, student or family membership, or a combination, all of which are an annual membership fee.

**When does your year start?** Our membership year starts on 1st March and runs for 12 months. From August onwards, we offer a progressive reduction on the fees, starting at 10%.

How old is a Senior? 65 or over puts you in our Senior bracket, or for family membership, if one of you is 65 or over.

**What is a Family?** A family is two adults living in the same household and any dependent children under 18, or still in full time education and under 23.

**Do I need a pass if I have my own equipment?** If you have your own kayak or SUP board there is no extra charge above membership. You can also bring your own windsurf kit, but we no longer offer passes to use our equipment. Please note that for safety reasons, there is no windsurfing allowed on Sundays. If you have your own dinghy, you must pay for a berth in our compound.

What passes for Club Equipment can I have? We offer both adult and junior annual Kayak and SUP Passes. You should have prior experience or have been on one of our taster sessions to familiarize yourself with the equipment and our lake. Juniors (U14) must be under adult supervision whilst onsite.

If you are interested in sailing, we offer annual Dinghy Passes, or you can keep your own dinghy here. However, you do need to have a minimum of Adult RYA Level 2 or Youth Stage 3 (or proven equivalent experience) to be able to sail here without first enrolling on one of our courses.

Our Family Pass covers a full family to sail in one of our Club dinghies, or to take out separate singlehanders as an alternative. If you are a junior member and wish to sail within Youth Club, you must have a separate junior dinghy pass.

Individual or family dinghy passes now also give you access to our stand-up-paddleboards and sit-on kayaks at no extra cost.

**Do I get a discount if I hold more than one pass?** If you hold one Club Pass, a £10 discount applies to each additional pass.

**Youth Membership:** If you are joining as a Youth Member, please note that anyone under 14 needs a responsible adult on site. For those young sailors who have reached Stage 2 or above, we offer our Youth Club on a Sunday morning and Wednesday evening. You must hold a Junior Dinghy Pass or have your own Junior class boat to sail within our Youth Club sessions. Stage 3 sailors may sail whenever we are open. Please do contact us for more details on our Youth Club.

When can I come down? We are open all year round. Our opening hours are found on the front page of our website. We may have group activities on outside these hours, but the site is not open to general members. In September we cease longer evening opening hours and in winter we generally close on a Saturday. There may be some days when we are closed, e.g. for wakeboarding. As a member you will receive mailings to advise of changes to our opening hours.

Whenever we are open, we have safety cover, and you should report to the Safety Officer on arrival on site. You may not launch from or land on any shore except our Club shoreline.

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