

Shark Canoeing Information

What we do

The Sharks are a competitive canoeing club, with an interest in slalom, wild water racing and flat water racing.

We teach and coach people of all ages, both youngsters and adults, we organise canoe races at entry level for the British Canoe Union (the sport's governing body) and also organise non-ranking events or our own to promote the sport and to introduce people to competition.

Where:

We are based at Perivale Community Centre on Horsenden Lane South, which is adjacent to the Grand Union Canal. The Community Centre has changing facilities, showers and storage facilities for our boats and equipment.

We also use the Grand Union Canal at Harefield, Near the Coy Carp; however there are no facilities here other than the use of the Coy Carp car park. This site gives us access to moving water for slalom training.

We hold some of our competitions at Harefield and also travel to other parts of the country to compete in national ranking events.

Cost:

The first session is free, after that we charge just £3.00 per session, which is normally about 45 minutes, although this may vary as paddlers improve. From January 1st 2011, we will also charge a £12 annual fee; this enables youngsters to enter entry level competitions without being a member of the BCU and all members can enter Shark non-ranking monthly races free of charge.

Who:

Anybody over the age of 8-years-old, we teach and train adults; this is an ideal sport where the whole family can be involved.

When:

We hold weekend sessions throughout the year, although these need to be flexible due to competition commitments.

Whilst the evenings are light we also hold weekday sessions and during school holidays. There are training sessions for experienced paddlers in the evenings during the Winter.

For more information:

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