

CADET WEEK 2017

For 2017, the club will be running a similar variety of activities to previous years. Given the success of the last few years, we aim to build on that success rather than change too much. There will again be something for every standard of sailor from complete novice to hotshot racer and our main aim is to see our regulars progressing up the fleets allowing new faces to come in.

The fleets will be:

- RYA Training
- Les Képis Blancs
- Les Képis Bleus
- Racing

Novices start with the RYA training and progress towards the. The details of the fleets are as follows.

RYA Training (Introductory Training)

This is a relatively formal course with RYA certificates awarded on successful completion. Normally, the aim is to reach Stage 3 of the RYA syllabus but the emphasis is on enjoyment and each trainee will be assessed to ensure that they have a lot of fun and don't feel pressured. It's part of the holidays not another exam.

Those who have reached Stage 3 should normally be progressing to one of the other fleets, which one depending on the experience they have gained in the interim.

Les Képis Blancs (Intermediate Training)

This fleet is aimed at those who have done their basic RYA training and are looking to progress but don't feel ready to join the main racing fleet yet. This fleet is coached towards racing but with the emphasis on informal coaching interspersed with a good deal of games and water-based activities. By the back end of the week, the kids should feel confident enough to move towards the racing fleet or other sailing activities. This fleet does not aim towards RYA qualifications.

Les Képis Bleus (Introduction to Racing)

This fleet aims to take forward those who have already done Les Képis Blancs or similar.

This will again be an informal section with the aim of moving into racing during the week alongside or integrated with the racing fleet.

These kids must provide their own dinghy.

Racing

As in many years past, this will be five days of competitive racing in the Urr. All levels of experience are welcome. Those who are inexperienced can be coached a little if needed. The emphasis is on ensuring that everyone has a good time while still giving the more experienced sailors a reasonable test against the others.

These kids must provide their own dinghy.

RYA Training

Maximum numbers 18

Ages 8 to 18

Maximum of 6 entrants aged from 8 to 10 (within the overall maximum of 18)

No qualifications or experience required

Must be able to confidently swim 50 metres

Preferably new recruits

Boats supplied or use own boat if available and suitable

Team : 1 Senior Instructor, 3 Dinghy Instructors and 2 Assistants

Les Képis Blancs

Maximum number 18

Age 9 to 18

RYA stage 3 required

Some intervening experience

Boats supplied or use own boat if available and suitable

Aim towards racing skills. Separate races but using race area. Potential integration.

Team : 3 coaches, 3 safety and 3 coach/safety boats

Les Képis Bleus

Unlimited numbers

Age 9 to 18

Mainly last year's Képis Blancs

Attached to main racing fleet

Own boats

Added race coaching

Aim to fully integrate with racing fleet as week progresses

Team : Coaches dependant on numbers – say 2 to 3 at most, 1 to 2 coach boats

Race Fleet

Unlimited numbers

Maximum age 21

Own boats

Team : 3 Race officers/recorders, 4 to 6 safety crew and 2 to 3 safety/mark laying boats

Safety/Coach Boats

Where fleets are working together, safety and coaching boats may jointly cover those fleets and numbers may be reduced. Safety will always meet the required standards and is always the prime consideration.

Note

Ages are as on the first day of Cadet Week