

# Visitor Information

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WELCOME TO DRAYCOTE WATER SAILING CLUB!

We would like to welcome you to Draycote Water and hope you have a very enjoyable time sailing.

To help minimise the hassle for you, there are 2 key bits of information that you need to know:

1. Before any craft is sailed on Draycote Water, the competitor has to sign the Clean Boat Declaration (on page 4) – stating that your boat is clean and free from pollution and non-native invasive species. The best thing is to wash your boat before you arrive at the Club.

2. The visitors' boat drop-off, rigging & launching area is to the west of our site and the parking to the east. For this reason, we suggest that you plan your arrival so that you are ready to drop off all you need with your boat at the rigging area to avoid lots of long walks between your car and boat.

## Arriving before the event

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If you are arriving the day or evening before the event, you are welcome to use the water the afternoon before the event, if conditions permit and as guests of the Club. It is imperative that you talk to the Club Manager or on-duty bosun before going afloat.

Unload your boat in the drop off areas usually marked 'B' and 'D' but please follow the signs. This is an area for you to pull into while unhitching and unloading your boat. Do not park here any longer than necessary as it can get very congested. Your kit can be dropped off at the clubhouse on your way back to the car park and, please remember not to drive on any slipways.

## Car Parking

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After unhitching and unloading your boat, please drive your car back past the clubhouse and visitor centre, and park either in the main Pay & Display car park or in the Sailing Club car park at the bottom of the hill. Competitors must NOT park anywhere else other than these car parks. Any visitor whose car is parked elsewhere will be liable to disqualification.

THE ACCESS ROAD MUST BE KEPT CLEAR AT ALL TIMES – EVEN WHEN UNLOADING OR PACKING UP YOUR BOAT.

## Campervans

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Campervans and caravans should be parked at the far end of the Sailing Club car park. There may be a charge at larger events as we employ parking marshals, and this would be noted in the event information.

They must not be parked in the main pay & display car park or anywhere else on the site. No tent camping is allowed on site.

## **Other Accommodation**

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The nearest hotels are [The Draycote Hotel](#), [Rugby Travelodge](#), [Rugby Premier Inn](#), or [The Dun Cow pub](#).

The nearest campsites are [The Blue Lias pub](#) and [Grandborough Farm](#).

A web search will bring up more options and locations as well.

## **Event Schedule**

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For details of timing, please see your event's Notice of Race. Registration will typically be in the upstairs lounge of the Clubhouse. Please ensure that you have registered, entered and paid before going afloat.

## **Safety**

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Your safety is paramount. Due to the nature of the foreshore, there may be some large stones in the water, please take care when launching and retrieving. The water is not open unless the orange flag is flying from the mast outside the clubhouse. Please speak to the bosun if you wish to sail outside the times of the competition. If you are requested to go ashore by the bosun or rescue staff please do so immediately, and please remember people's safety is ALWAYS prioritised over boats or equipment.

## **Catering**

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The Wet Bar will be open during the course of the day, offering hot and cold drinks, snacks and hot meals. It may be necessary to pre-order lunches before going out on the water.

The Lounge Bar will usually be open late afternoon and evening and an evening meal may be available – see your event's NOR. Wet gear and kit is not allowed in the upstairs Lounge, please use the Wet Bar at ground level.

## **Access to Site**

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The entrance gate is closed at night (times vary according to season). Once closed, you cannot gain access to the site but can exit by driving up to the right-hand side of the closed gate.

## **Dogs**

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Dogs are not permitted on the Sailing Club site or around the reservoir, however they are allowed in the adjoining Country Park.

# Emergency Contact Info

Club Office, CV23 8AB, 01788 811153

Club Waterside Reception / Shop, 01788 814418

Club Manager's Mobile, 07429 388961

Rugby Police Station, CV21 2DH, 01788 541111

St Cross Hospital, Barby Rd, Rugby, CV22 5PX, 01788 572831

University Hospital, Clifford Bridge Rd, Coventry, CV2 2DX, 024 76964000

Rangers Office, Draycote Water, 01788 811107

DWSC Child Welfare Officer – David Rowe, 01788 814418

<b>CAUTION</b> SITE SPEED LIMIT <b>10 MPH</b>	 <b>DRAYCOTE - WATER - SAILING CLUB</b>	Barrier code: (if required)	Drop off Area	
		Tel: 01788 814418 or 01788 811153 Email: office@draycotewater.co.uk Draycote Water, Kites Hardwick, CV23 8AB		

  


Please do not park on slipways



## Preventing the Spread of Pollution and Non-Native Invasive Species

Draycote Water Sailing Club expects its club members and visitors to follow the Check, Clean, Dry steps before launching at Draycote and when leaving Draycote to sail on another water to help stop the spread of invasive aquatic species.

The invasive species *Dikerogammarus Haemobaphes* has been found at Draycote Water.

In order to record that visiting boats are clean and do not contain polluting or environmentally harmful matter, we require all visiting owners / sailors to complete and sign the attached declaration.

**STOP THE SPREAD**  
**INVASIVE AQUATIC SPECIES**  
**CHECK-CLEAN-DRY**

Are you unknowingly spreading invasive species on your water sports equipment and clothing?

Invasive species can affect fish and other wildlife, restrict navigation, clog up propellers and be costly to manage. You can help protect the water sports you love by following three simple steps when you leave the water.

**CHECK** Check your equipment and clothing for live organisms - particular in areas that are damp or hard to inspect.

**CLEAN** Clean and wash all equipment, footwear and clothes thoroughly. Use hot water where possible. If you do come across any organisms, leave them at the water body where you found them.

**DRY** Dry all equipment and clothing - some species can live for many days in moist conditions. Make sure you don't transfer water elsewhere.

For more information go to [www.nonnativespecies.org/checkcleandry](http://www.nonnativespecies.org/checkcleandry)

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## DECLARATION

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Boat Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Sail No: \_\_\_\_\_

Location of Last Launch: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Last Launch: \_\_\_\_\_

Location of Next Launch: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Next Launch: \_\_\_\_\_

**I confirm that, to the best of my knowledge and understanding, my craft and equipment are clean and free from pollution and non-native invasive species. I have followed the Check, Clean, Dry programme since my last launch and will follow it having sailed at Draycote Water before I next launch.**

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_