Club Wayfarers 2021

Please tell whoever is in the Crows Nest that you are going out, and where you plan to go.

Please check the bungs are in before going out. People have a habit of "borrowing" these, and going out without them is disastrous.

Please don't go out without a bucket and a paddle, and buoyancy aids are of course compulsory. There are spare buoyancy aids in the lockers under the side benches in the clubhouse. Please make sure these are returned. If they are wet, rinse them if salty and leave them on the back of a chair near locker.

Wayfarers are heavy – please make sure you have enough help to get them up the ramp after your sail.

It is very important, and very easy to forget, that the selfbailers must be shut when you launch and recover. Otherwise they catch on the trolley and break immediately. The boat must be as far forward as possible on the trolley, and tied securely with the painter.

The mainsail should be left on the boom, battens stay in and the jib should be left attached to the bottom of the forestay, and laid out on the side deck before the cover goes on, with the jib sheets remaining through the blocks. This prevents jibs getting swapped from one boat to another when they don't fit.

Each boat can be reefed by the slab method, with reefing points along the boom. If you are not familiar with this system, please arrange for someone to show you how it works before you sail.

After your sail, the boat needs to be rinsed out, with the sand removed from the bailer slots, which should then be left shut. If you are using one of the boats with their sterns to the river, the trolley wheels must be left against the sleeper. Boats must be tied down to the chains with the line going round the shrouds and the mast.

Use of the Club wayfarers is free during Social Sailing sessions. At other times please send £10 by bank transfer. Please email or text me with any issues concerning the boats so we can fix them. o.laws@btopenworld.com or 07932 405541. Thank you.