

Young Peoples' Membership (10-23 years inc)

Westminster Boating Base is an independent charity for young people on the river Thames in central London. Being independent, we receive no long-term funding, grants or subsidies so we rely upon gifts of money and fees for usage and membership. Also, we have many volunteers making gifts of their time.

We suggest £10 for annual* membership, more is always welcome and please be generous if you can. Donations can be given at any time throughout the year.

Adults (24 years +):

- £12 per session,
 - A book of 5 vouchers for £50,
 - summer season ticket for £130, a winter season* for £50 or an annual* season ticket for £160.
- 25% discount available to fulltime students.

*Winter clothing regulations apply 1st November to 31st March.

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SCHOOLS & YOUTH GROUPS:

WBB can provide sessions, either during school hours or as extra-curricular after-school sessions in both kayaking and sailing. Please contact us for more details.

The Royal Thames Yacht Club

Thanks to the generosity of the RTYC, we are able to award sailing bursaries to two young members of WBB to give them an amazing opportunity to go to sea on sail training vessels for an offshore sailing adventure.

The Bursaries will be awarded at the end of the year to those who would benefit from such an opportunity, have clearly demonstrated perseverance and dedication in developing their sailing skills and shown a supportive attitude in helping others.

Weekly Session Schedule

Young people & adults

Experienced = RYA level 2 sailing or BCU 1 Star holders.

		SAILING		KAYAKING & CANOEING	
		Novice Young People	Experienced Young People	Novice Adult	Experienced Adult
Monday	5.45-9pm	S	S K	K	S
Tuesday	4.45-8pm	S K	S K		S
Wednesday	4.45-8pm	S K	S K		S K
Thursday	5.45-9pm		S K		S K
Sunday	10am-1pm & 2-5pm		S K		S K

- Weekday evening sessions run from 6th April through to end of September for sailing and end of October for kayaking.
- Parents dropping their children off must ensure there is availability on the session before leaving the Base.
- All these sessions operate on a 'first come, first served' basis.
- Please ensure that you arrive on time. The whole group cannot be expected to wait and you will literally 'miss the boat'!

Important Information

It is likely you will get wet whilst participating, so everyone must bring:

- suitable clothing for the weather, inc. soft-soled shoes, to wear whilst on the water.
- towel and wash-kit.
- Applicants under 18 must have a completed membership form including a parent's or guardian's consent.



Westminster Boating Base

Inspiring young people to broaden their horizons



2010 Programme



For details of events, course dates and prices, see our 2010 Calendar

Sailing, kayaking & powerboating in central London



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Dinghy Sailing



An approved Royal Yachting Association (RYA) Training Centre, WBB teaches sailing from basic beginner skills to advanced techniques.

Initially, your lessons will be in our modern fleet of dinghies. As your skills improve you will gain RYA certificates and with further progress you will have the opportunity to sail more advanced boats.

Young people can begin their sailing on our evening sessions during the week. Adult beginners will need to take an RYA Level 1 & 2 course over two weekends. Dates are in our calendar.

For those interested in racing, there is training/racing on Thursday evenings throughout the season.



Canoeing & Kayaking

WBB is a British Canoe Union (BCU) Approved Centre providing training from the most basic skills (BCU 1 and 2 Stars) through to more advanced techniques including whitewater, slalom, freestyle and instructor training.



Following your BCU 1 star certificate you will be able to join all other sessions we offer including scenic journeys through the city.



Freestyle and slalom competitions run throughout the season including training.

Powerboating



RYA Level 2
This two-day course provides the skills and knowledge needed to drive a powerboat and is the basis of the International Certificate of Competence (ICC).

There are no pre-requisites— this course is suitable for a complete beginner. It includes close quarters handling, high speed manoeuvres, man overboard recovery and collision regulations. Our course will be on tidal water and your certificate will carry a coastal endorsement.

ICC

The ICC is required to legally use your boat in most EU countries except the UK. Holders of the RYA level 2 can apply directly to the RYA.



Pimlico Paddlers & Westminster Windjammers

These are autonomous clubs for adults, available to annual season ticket holders, which organise self-funded away-trips for sailing and kayaking. They provide an opportunity to try different aspects of the sports in different locations. Previous experiences have included sea-kayaking, canoe touring on the Upper Thames, inland sailing and yachting.



2010 Calendar

Please see our supplemental calendar for dates and prices of the season's events. Check our website for latest news and updates.

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