Using Club Boats, Paddleboards and Kayaks

The Club yachts are primarily for introducing new members and juniors to sailing, with the costs of maintenance and insurance borne by the club. If you are sailing regularly we can provide advice on purchasing your own boat.

Currently, the Club has two Lasers for single handed sailing, and two Pacers that must be sailed with two sailors on board. We also have paddleboards and kayaks. Please stay in local waters within sight of the yacht club tower at all times.

Before you go onto the water with a yacht, paddle board or kayak.

- Fill in the Booking Register System access is through the QR code is under the clubhouse, or via the website. Note that priority is given to juniors and providing access to as many members as possible, so bookings can be cancelled by the Sailing Captain and/or Duty Office to ensure broad access
- Check the weather forecast do not use the inflatable paddleboards if strong northerly winds are forecast
- Ensure you and any crew are wearing a lifejacket whether you are using a yacht, paddleboard or kayak
- Rig the yacht. Ask a committee member to inspect to ensure the yacht is correctly rigged prior to use, and the correct number of sailors are on board
- Fill in a race entry form or the Log Book before you go out this is a safety requirement

STOP – is there a rescue boat on the water? Do not go sailing if there isn't a rescue boat on station When you get back on shore

- Record your return in the Log Book or race sign off sheet this is also a safety requirement
- Return the yacht, paddleboard or kayak to its designated yard space
- Fold sails and pack them into sail bags (if they have one)
- Put all the gear/sails on the shelves and paddles where you found them
- Record any damage, missing parts etc to a committee member on the day or via email to the Club Secretary
- Hose down the boat hull and fittings, turning off the tap and disconnect the hose after use

Following these procedures will ensure club boats are kept in good working condition. The booking system will operate on a "first in, first served" basis. In the event of a conflict, a Member of the MYC Executive Committee will mediate.