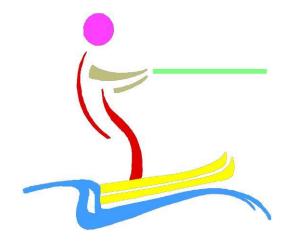
Boughton Lodge Water Sports Club Ltd

Constitution and Rules

Including Amendments of AGMs 1991, 2007, 2008, 2012, 2017 & 2018



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Boughton Lodge Water Sports Club Constitution and Rules

1. NAME

- 1.1 The club shall be called Boughton Lodge Water Sports Club.
- 1.2 The Club shall be wholly owned by the Boughton Lodge Water Sports Club Ltd and the twelve elected members of the Club Committee shall be the directors of that company.

2. CLUB RULES

2.1 Members of the Club will abide all rules and bye-laws of the Club.

3. OBJECTIVES

- 3.1 The activities of the Club and the objectives shall be to promote and encourage Water Ski-ing and Wind Surfing in all forms and at all levels. The Club shall promote competitions, training courses and social activities associated with these sports and encourage other on-water activities that can be safely accommodated on the Lakes.
- 3.2 The Club shall be affiliated to the British Water Ski Federation.
- 3.3 All Water Ski members of the Club shall be associate members of the BWSF (Associate membership shall be included in the Annual Club membership subscription).
- 3.4 The Club shall be a member of the Eastern Regional Committee of the BWSF.
- 3.5 The Club shall provide Water Skiing facilities for both the boat owning skier and the water skier who wishes to use only the Club's facilities and boats.
- 3.6 The Club shall provide all on and off water facilities to take a full and active part in the sport of Water Skiing and Wind Surfing.
- 3.7 The Club shall provide Day Membership for Water Skiing and Wind Surfing, as required by the lease.

4 CLASS OF MEMBERSHIP, PERMITS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

4.1 Class of membership

WATER SKI-ING

(a) Individual

(b) Family – Partners and Children 19 and under who either stay in full-time education, start an apprenticeship or traineeship or work or volunteer (for 20 hours or more a week) while in part-time education or training.

(C) Junior - 19 and under and who either stay in full-time education, start an apprenticeship or traineeship or work or volunteer (for 20 hours or more a week) while in part-time education or training.

(d) Day membership

WIND SURFING

- (a) Individual
- (b) Family Partners and children 19 and under (as above)
- (C) Junior 19 and under (as above)
- (d) Day Membership
- 4.2 Subscription joining and Permit Fees will be decided annually by the committee
- 4.3 Subscriptions will fall due on 1st January each year. Failure to pay these subscriptions by the last day of January renders the member's Club membership cancelled unless extenuating reasons are submitted in writing and found to be acceptable to the Committee. Any members whose membership is cancelled for the above reason, and rejoins the Club in that year shall not be required to pay any joining fee, but will lose the right to any Permits he previously held.
- 4.4 Permits

(a) Water Ski Boat Permit

The Committee shall decide annually the number of Boat Permits to be issued. Until the Club owns and runs its own water ski boat, it is a condition of the Water Ski Boat Permit that a member in taking up the Permit agrees to provide his boat and driver whenever requested by the Committee (usually 2 or 3 days each year) to provide a ski boat for the members at large. Boat Permits would normally be renewable at the beginning of each year at the discretion of the Committee.

A Boat Permit may not be renewed for any of the following reasons:

- 1. Lack of water skiing activity by the member with his boat.
- 2. Continued lack of regard for safety rules or bye-laws
- 3. Lack of consideration for other members on or off the water.
- 4. Activities inconsistent with the objectives of the club.
- 5. Failure to carry out his duties as a member (rule 20.3) or a boat permit holder (this rule above)
- 6. Failure to renew his membership by the last day of January of any year. All active and well behaved members should normally have their Boat Permit renewed by the Committee.

The Secretary shall notify in writing before 31st December all Boat Permit holders whether or not their Boat Permit will be renewed for the coming year. A member may appeal to the January meeting of the Committee by notifying the Secretary in writing seven days before that meeting, and attending that meeting. If the appeal is rejected by the Committee, the member may appeal to the AGM by notifying the Secretary seven days before the AGM. The member must be a member of the Club at the time of the appeal. The decision of the AGM is final.

(b) Other Permits

The Committee shall issue from time to time other permits they deem necessary, that are consistent with the objectives of the Club (Rule 3.1) and of the lease.

5. ELECTION OF MEMBERS

- 5.1 Anyone wishing to join the club must be proposed and seconded by two members.
- 5.2 The Club Committee shall have the right as its absolute discretions to refuse any application for membership.

6. EXPULSIONS AND SUSPENSION OF MEMBERS

- 6.1 If at any time the Club Committee shall be of the opinion that the interests of the Club so require, they may, by recorded delivery, letter invite any member to resign from the Club within a time specified in such a let ter. In default of his resignation the question of his expulsion shall be submitted to the Club Committee whose decisions shall be final, but for the purpose of this rule the vote of at least two thirds of the whole Club Committee shall be necessary.
- 6.2 The Club Committee shall have the right at its absolute discretion to suspend any member.
- 6.3 The expulsion of any member under Rule 13.2, Insurance shall be immediate and final.

7. VOTING RIGHTS

7.1 Voting rights are held by all members (this does not include families as defined in Rule 4), one vote per membership. Junior members and Day Members, will not hold voting rights.

8. OFFICERS, COMMITTEE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 8.1 There shall be a Club Committee consisting of a Chairman, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer, Membership Secretary, six Committee Members, two Trustees and an appointed representative of the Landlord. The Officers and Committee members shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting in each year.
- 8.2 There shall be an Executive Management Committee which shall comprise the Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer of the Club Committee and two Trustees of the Club.

- 8.3 The Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Membership Secretary shall be elected at the AGM and serve one year and may stand for re-election at the end of that year.
- 8.4 Committee members shall serve two years before retiring or offering themselves for re-election. Except that at the first General Meeting of the Club three Committee members shall be elected to serve two years and three Committee members elected to serve one year. At all AGM's after the first three Committee members shall be elected to serve two years.

If any Committee member retires during his first year of office, at the next AGM after the election of the three Committee members, an election will take place for a Committee member who will serve for one year only.

- 8.5 As soon as practicable after the Annual General Meeting, the Committee shall elect from amongst their members the following officials—Vice Chairman and Representative to the Eastern Regional Committee. The Officials shall hold office until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting when they shall retire.
- 8.6 Should a casual vacancy arise among the members on the Committee, the Committee shall as soon as practicable appoint another member to fill such vacancy. Any member appointed by the Committee to fill a casual vacancy shall hold office until the next Annual General Meeting, when he or she shall retire but be eligible for election as a member of the Club Committee at such a meeting.

Should any casual vacancy arise among the Officers, the Club Committee shall, as soon as practicable appoint one of their number to fill the office until the end of the next Annual General Meeting.

8.7 Candidates for election to the Committee shall be those members who shall offer themselves for re-election, and such other members of the Club as qualified in Rule 7 whose nominations signed by themselves and duly proposed and seconded in writing by two members of the Club, shall have been sent to the secretary 14 days prior to the AGM. The nomination form of any person proposed to stand for election shall indicate that person is prepared to undertake the liability as a director of the Company known as Boughton Lodge Water Sports Club Ltd if he should be elected.

9. QUORUM

- 9.1 The quorum at General Meetings shall be twenty one members. The quorum at Club Committee Meetings shall be the Chairman or Vice Chairman plus four other Committee members.
- 9.2 The quorum at Executive Management Committee Meetings shall be the Chairman or Secretary plus two other members of the Executive Management Committee.

10. PROPERTY

10.1 The property of the Club, apart from alcoholic liquor shall be vested in the Boughton Lodge Water Sports Club Ltd. A company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital incorporated under Companies Act 1948 to 1967, and it shall be a condition of membership of the Club that each member shall have caused his name to be added to the registered Members of the Boughton Lodge Water Sports Club Ltd undertaking therefore a liability by way of guarantee amounting to £50.

11. POWER AND DUTIES OF THE COMMITTEE

- 11.1 It is the duty of the Club Committee to apply the funds of the Club to the benefit of the Club.
- 11.2 The Club Committee shall have the authority to make bye-laws and safety regulations with regard to the day to day running of the Club.
- 11.3 The club committee shall have the authority to co-opt members to the committee should it deem necessary to the welfare of the club. A member who is co-opted shall not be

entitled to a vote on the committee (as they have not been elected by the membership)

- 11.4 The Club Committee shall have the authority to appoint a subcommittee when it deems necessary.
- 11.5 The Club Committee shall have the authority to appoint yearly President and Vice President.
- 11.6 If it is the for the benefit of the Club or the Sports, the Club Committee shall have the authority, with the agreement of the Landlords, to sublet or sell the franchise of any operation deemed necessary for the efficient running of the Club's activities.
- 11.7 The day to day affairs of the Club shall be managed by an Executive Management Committee, comprising the Chairman, Hon Secretary, Hon Treasurer of the Club and two Trustees of the Club. The EMC shall be responsible on a daily basis, for all legal administrative and financial matters and shall Report to the full Club Committee. The Club Committee shall have the power to make such regulations as it seems necessary for the proper running of the Club's affairs.
- 11.8 If no meeting of the Club Committee has taken place within the last 28 days, the Secretary shall, at the written request of two or more Committee members, call a meeting of the full Club Committee within 14 days of receipt of the request.
- 11.9 The Club Committee shall have the authority to employ such persons as shall be necessary for proper and efficient running of the Club.
- 11.10 At Club Committee Meetings the proposal shall be passed if approved by a simple majority. All members, excluding the Chairman shall have one vote. In the case of equality the Chairman shall exercise his vote.
- 11.11 At Executive Management Committee Meetings, all members shall have one vote. A proposal shall only be passed if it is supported by three members of the EMC.

12. MEETINGS

- 12.1 The Annual General Meetings, of which at least 28 days' notice in writing shall be given to all members, shall be held in March or in April each year. This meeting shall receive and consider the Annual Report and the Accounts for the previous year. At this meeting one Honorary Auditor to the Club shall be appointed, his duty being to audit the accounts of the Club for the ensuing year. In the event of their being unable to do so, the Committee shall appoint a substitute. No other business may be discussed at this meeting, except that of which notice has been given to the Secretary in writing 14 days prior to the meeting, and which has been included in the agenda.
- 12.2 The Club Committee shall have the authority of giving 15 days notice to call a General Meeting of the members for any specific purpose, the nature of which shall be stated in the summons convening this meeting. Discussion at this meeting shall be confined to the stated business only.
- 12.3 An extraordinary General meeting shall be called by the Secretary if at any time required to do so by the Club Committee or by one third of the members of the Club upon receipt of a demand, giving the reason for calling the meeting, bearing the necessary number of signatures. Such a meeting shall be called within 28 days of demand and discussions that shall be limited to the subject incorporated in the demand for such a meeting.
- 12.4 Any fully paid up member shall be entitled to attend and speak at any General or Extraordinary Meeting of the Club, on any business notified properly under rule 12.1

13. BOATS, INSURANCE AND BOATING

13.1 Visitors to the Club may participate in the sports. Those doing so must sign an indemnity before participating and pay the visitors fee, in effect at the time of the visit. Visitors must abide by Club rules and bye-laws.

13.2 All boat owning members MUST ensure that they have third party liability insurance, together with extension to cover liability to and of water skiers, for an amount not less than the minimum specified by the Committee on the Club membership renewal form. Documentary proof of this insurance should be made available for inspection any time by the Committee/Officer of the day, on request. At the beginning of each season NO BOAT SHALL BE LAUNCHED UNTIL THE FULL INSURANCE POLICY HAS BEEN INSPECTED.

Any member who launches an uninsured boat shall immediately be expelled from the Club.

It is strongly recommended that all members insure their boats through the BWSF insurance scheme. It is also recommended that ALL members have sufficient personal accident insurance cover for themselves and their families. Care should be taken to ensure that the insurance cover is not invalidated by Water Skiing,

Drivers should ensure that they do not overload their boat with ballast and people. Each boat has a maximum capacity that should never be exceeded by the combined weight of people and water barrels. If your boat is overloaded, your insurance will be invalidated as the boat will be being used outside of the manufacturer's recommended use.

- 13.3 Each boat must carry its boat permit identification on both sides, as approved by the Committee. No boat will be launched without its identification. All trailers must carry boat identification.
- 13.4 Only one boat permit can be held by any one Club member. Boat permits are not transferable.
- 13.5 Members must abide by the safety rules. These rules will be published in a separate booklet (now incorporated—06/2009) and may be added to at the Club Committee's discretion, subject to changing conditions.
- 13.6 All boats at all times must be in a sound and seaworthy condition to the satisfaction of the Club Committee. The Club Committee shall have the power to withdraw the boat permit facility of such a boat owner until the boat is in sound and seaworthy condition.

- 13.7 The Club Committee shall have the power to withdraw, at any time, the boat permit facility of any member whose boat is considered by the Club Committee to be excessively noisy.
- 13.8 Any member making changes to his boat, or power unit shall notify the Club Secretary in writing within 7 days.
- 13.9 The maximum boat length that will normally be allowed to use the Lake, will normally be no longer that 18 feet from bow to stern. Exceptions to this rule are recognised tournament ski boats, as defined and minuted by the Club Committee. Members will be encouraged to have boats that are specifically designed for Water Ski-ing.
- 13.10 The Club Committee may, from time to time, at times convenient to Club members, issue for limited periods special boat permits for demonstration or competitions. All boats shall be insured in accordance with Club rules and all visitors shall abide by the Club rules and bye-laws.
- 13.11 The word boat when used in these rules shall be deemed to be that it is suitable for towing a water skier and capable of carrying an observer in addition to the driver.
- 13.12. Boats must not operate on the water after dusk when visibility is reduced to cause danger.
- 13.13 No boat having a superstructure in the form of a cabin or cuddy will be allowed.
- 13.14 The driver should not be distracted when driving the boat (e.g. by loud music, young children, dogs, mobile phones etc).

14. GENERAL

- 14.1 The income of the Club shall be devoted solely to its activities and objectives.
- 14.2 The Club shall not be responsible for any injury to any member or visitor or any loss or damage that may be sustained from any cause whatsoever to a member's boat's gear or any other property, or to property belonging to visitors of the Club, whether or not the said injury or loss is caused by negligence of the Club, its servants, or agents.
- 14.3 No member shall remove from the Club premises any equipment or any other articles which are either the property of the Club or in its keeping.

- 14.4 No person under the age of 16 years may drive a boat without the written approval of the Club Committee. All persons are recommended to wear and approved buoyancy jacket when riding in a boat.
- 14.5 Any person who wishes to drive a boat shall not do so if the Committee is not satisfied of his competence.
- 14.6 Drivers must be accompanied by a competent observer whilst towing a water skier. (A minimum age limit to be set by the Committee). (When selecting a competent observer the driver should consider the observer's capability to assist with removing an injured skier from the water, or their ability to control the boat should the driver become incapacitated for any reason).
- 14.7 All water skiers must wear an approved buoyancy jacket when skiing. The only exception to this is when a competent skier is riding on trick ski/s. Helmets are compulsory when using the jump.
- 14.8 Only persons who hold Boughton Lodge or BWSF boat handling certificate or BWSF Ski Boat Driver Award may drive a boat or hold a boat permit. No person shall be offered a boat permit until they are in possession of a BL or BWSF boat handling certificate or Ski Boat Drivers Award.
- 14.9 The Club Committee may for special events, permit individuals of known ability and experience to drive boats.
- 14.10. Only persons approved by the Club Committee shall be permitted to drive club boats. A list of 'approved drivers' shall be posted on the Club notice board. Drivers under training shall be permitted to drive Club boats with the written permission of the Club Committee and only when accompanied by an 'approved driver'.

15. INDEMNITY

Members (day members and full members) will sign an undertaking that he or she absolves the Club, its officers and members from liability for any injury or damage to themselves or their property, from any cause whatsoever, whilst engaged in the activities of the Club.

16. EFFECT OF CEASING TO BE A MEMBER

Any person on ceasing to be a member of the Club shall forfeit all rights to any claim on the Club and funds.

17. BYE-LAWS

The Club may from time to time, make repeal and amend all such bye-laws (not inconsistent with the rules), as such they shall think expedient for the management and wellbeing of the Club. All such bye-laws and regulations shall be binding upon the members.

18. EASTERN REGIONAL COMMITTEE

- 18.1 In recognition of the Easter Regional Committee's efforts in having set up the Club, Eastern Regional Committee retains the right upon request to use, for not more than three days per year, the facility of the Club, at cost, for the purpose of training course or competitions.
- 18.2 The Committee shall elect annually two trustees who shall sit on the club committee and shall have a vote on the committee. Preferably, the trustees shall be members or honorary members of the club. The Trustees shall represent the interest of the water skiers from a club point of view.

19. ALTERATION OF RULES

These rules may be altered or repealed or new rules may be made by the resolution of the AGM or at an EGM, duly summoned for the purpose provided that no such resolution shall be deemed to have been passed unless it is covered by a majority of the members voting thereon except that no alteration or repeal or addition to rule 3, objectives, shall take effect unless and until ratified by the Eastern regional committee of the BWSF

20. DUTY OF MEMBERS

20.1 It shall be the duty of every officer, Committee member or member, to take every available means to put a stop to any

infringement of the rules or bye-laws coming under their notice and to report then to the Committee through the Secretary.

- 20.2 Any officer or Committee members who fails to attend three consecutive properly called Committee meetings, shall at the discretion of the Committee be required to resign there from.
- 20.3 It shall be the duty of every member to carry out the duties of the officer of the day on not less than one occasion per year, on a date agreed with the Committee.
- 20.4 It shall be the duty of all members to ensure that the site is left secure and all gates are locked when leaving the site unattended.

CASC

To be included at a later date.

CHILD PROTECTION

Boughton Lodge Water Sports Club agrees to adopt the British Water Ski Child Protection Policy and Procedures. All individual members are deemed to have read, understood and assented to the British Water Ski Code of Ethics and Conduct ("Code") and as such recognise and adhere to the principles and responsibilities embodied in the Code.

- 1. Boughton Lodge Water Sports Club Ltd agrees to adopt the British Water Ski Child Protection Policy.
- 2. All individuals involved in Waterskiing through Boughton Lodge Water Sports Club Ltd at every level, including participants, Officials, Instructors/Coaches, Administrators, Club Officials or spectators agree to abide by the British Water Ski Code of Ethics and Conduct ("Code") and all such individuals participating or being involved in Waterskiing through Boughton Lodge Water Sports Club Ltd in one of the aforementioned roles or in a role which comes within the intended ambit of this paragraph and the British Water Ski Child Protection Policy and Procedures generally are deemed to have assented to and as such recognise and adhere to the principles and responsibilities embodied in the Code.
- 3. Each and every constituent member of Boughton Lodge Water Sports Club Ltd including without limitation all Clubs and disciplines, shall be responsible for the implementation of the British Water Ski Child Protection Policy and Procedures in relation to their members.

BRITISH WATER SKI CHILD PROTECTION REGULATIONS

- 4. Any act, statement, conduct or other matter which harms a young person or people, or poses or may pose a risk of harm to a young person or people, shall constitute behavior which is improper and brings the sport into disrepute.
- 5. In these regulations the expression "Offence" shall mean one or m o r e of the Offences contained in Schedule 4 to the Criminal Justice and Court Services Act 2000 and amendment within the Sexual Offences Act 2003 (Home Office Circular 2005/16) and any other criminal of- fence which reasonably causes the Association

to believe that the person accused of the offence poses or may pose a risk of harm to a young person or people.

- 6. Upon receipt by name Boughton Lodge Water Sports Club Ltd of:
 - 6.1 notification that an individual has been charged with an Offence or
 - 6.2 notification that an individual is the subject of an investigation by the Police, Social Services or any other authority relating to an Offence: or
 - 6.3 any other information which causes the body reasonably to believe that a person poses or may pose a risk of harm to a young person or people then the Affiliated Body shall have the power to order that an individual be suspended from all or any specific Waterskiing activity for such a period and on such terms and conditions as it deems fit.
- 7. In reaching its determination as to whether an order under Regulation 6 should be made, The Affiliated Body shall give consideration, interalia, to the following factors:
 - 7.1 whether a young person is or young people are or may be at risk of harm;
 - 7.2 whether the matters are of a serious nature;
 - 7.3 whether an order is necessary or desirable to allow the conduct of any investigation by The Affiliated Body or any other authority or body to proceed unimpeded.
- The period of an order referred to in 6 above shall not be capable of lasting beyond the date upon which any change under the Rules of The Affiliated Body or any Offence is decided or brought to an end.
- 9. Where an order is imposed on an individual under Regulation 6 above, The Affiliated Body shall bring and conclude any proceedings under the Rules of The Affiliated Body against the person relating to the matters as soon as reasonably practicable.
- 10. Where a person is convicted, or is made the subject of a caution is respect of an Offence, that shall constitute a breach of the rules of The Affiliated Body and it shall have the power to order the suspension of the person from all or any specific Waterskiing activity for such a period (including indefinitely) and on such terms and conditions as it thinks fit.

- 11 For the purposes of these Regulations, The Affiliated Body shall act through the British Water Ski Child Protection Case Management G r o u p and the Disciplinary panels.
- 12. Notification in writing or an order referred to above shall be given to the person concerned and. or any Club with which he/she is associated as soon as reasonably practicable.
- 13. Where a person is deemed to be unsuitable to work with young people, British Water Ski may refer the person for consideration for inclusion on the Protection of Children Act (POCA) list.

Amendments

Boughton Lodge Water Sports Club Ltd

Supplementary Rules

Issue 8: 2021

Boughton Lodge Water Sports Club Club Rules

To be read in conjunction with the full set of Club Rules

1 GENERAL

- 1.1 Infringement of the rules set out in these supplementary rules, deliberate damage to BL property or associated, results in the member losing their membership. In such circumstances no refund of fees will be made. Any guest found to be in breach of any rules will jeopardize the membership of the person inviting the guest onto club land. (Members are reminded that guests are their responsibility at all times when on club land)
- 1.2 The object of the Rules is to ensure that the safety of those using the Club facilities is not put at risk and that the enjoyment of all is not impaired by the selfish action of others.

2. BOATS AND ASSOCIATED:

- 2.1 All boats must now be scrutinised annually before launching and display a valid pass sticker, failure to comply will result in loss of membership. Members and Day Members must sign in before skiing. Day membership monies to be paid to the Club Warden or delegated club member.
- 2.2 Each boat must carry its boat permit identification and number clearly visible on each side of the boat. All numbers to be prefixed BL and trailer also numbered. Boats without permit identification may be asked to prove insurance, if this is not possible the member will be required to remove the boat from the water.
- 2.3 A copy of boat insurance must be sent with your annual renewal form to the Membership Secretary. If renewal becomes due later in the year, then a copy of the new insurance certificate must be sent/ given to the relevant scrutineer who will issue a new sticker. Members must

confirm that Ringo's are included on the Insurance when relevant to the Member. A copy of current insurance will be retained in the folder in the committee room of the Club House along with copies of SBDA's for all drivers and slalom course/s/lake driving certificate for all those whom you wish to drive your boat.

2.4 Drivers must be Club Members and will be required to pass the SBDA or BLWSC drivers award. Failure to comply will result in loss of membership The only exceptions will be drivers given permission by the Committee. New Drivers are also required to be shown the 'rules of the road' on all lakes before using. All slalom course/lake drivers must have completed the induction/orientation training and be in possession of a BLWSC Slalom lake driving certificate prior to using either course. Thereafter they may only drive/use the course in the manner they were instructed/shown by one of the delegated club volunteers. Day members holding a valid SBDA are not permitted to drive the host boat without the host being on site.

In accordance with the SBDA examination, the driver should be looking forward at all times.

- 2.5 A **RED** flag must be used to warn other boats when a **skier has** fallen or when dropping off a skier.
- 2.6 All boats must carry a competent observer when towing a skier. When selecting your competent observer, the driver should also consider the observer's ability to assist with removing an injured skier from the water, or their ability to control the boat should the driver become incapacitated for any reason. Skiers must wear a buoyancy jacket at all times on all lakes. The only exception to this is when a competent skier is riding a trick ski(s) **on the competition lake.** Boats must comply with the observer's seat facing the skier. Drivers and passengers should remain seated when the boat is under-way. No sitting on the sides of the boat is allowed. All children aged 0-12 must wear a buoyancy aid whilst in the boat.

- 2.7 Drivers should ensure they are not distracted when in the boat (e.g. by loud music, mobile phones, young children or dogs etc.) and never allow themselves to be overruled by their skier, i.e. request for change of speed, course etc. if these are likely to cause a dangerous situation.
- 2.8 Drivers should make every attempt to space themselves out to avoid danger of bunching and overtaking on corners. Drivers must not follow directly behind another boat and skier so as not to endanger that skier should he/she suddenly fall.
- 2.9 Boats cannot be moored in site B/C bay or at main jetty.
- 2.10 Any dropped ski must be picked up as soon as practicably possible. Prospective mono skiers should drop their second ski in the second bay. Fallen skiers must not be left unattended in the water to retrieve a drop ski. **Training booms are not allowed on the main lake,** with the exception for bare footing when the lake is empty.
- 2.11 The use of the water by ski boats is restricted to 7am to 9pm or dusk, whichever is earlier, to comply with planning permission.
- 2.12 Midweek boats are not permitted on the lake on Bank Holidays but are allowed to use the lake on a seven day basis from the 1st November to the last day of February.
- 2.13 Running-in of Boat engines is not permitted at weekends and only one warm up lap is allowed unless specifically agreed by the Safety Officer of the Day or a Safety Committee Officer.
- 2.14 Boats may not be stored in the boat trailer park for long periods. During the winter months Boats may not be stored on the lake unless in frequent use.
- 2.15 Boats must be driven at speeds that do not endanger others. Do not drive at speed that will cause a disruptive wake near jetties, parked boats or in the boat park.
- 2.16 There shall be no more than 5 boats using the SOUTH/MAIN Lake which is reduced to a maximum of 4 boats during Ringo hours, 2 using the EAST Lake and 1 on the NORTH and 1 on the SOUTH Slalom Lake at any one time.

This number may be reduced by the "Officer of the Day" or " Safety Officer" if the water conditions demand it **for safety reasons. Slalom courses may not be driven until the familiarisation/induction course has taken place and certificate issued.**

- 2.17 All boats using the SOUTH/MAIN Lake must travel in an anticlockwise direction and those using the EAST lake clockwise. Traveling between the lakes must be at slow speed and towing a skier from lake to lake is not permitted. Boats about to take off are to give way to those already on the water.
- 2.18 Use of the SOUTHERN/MAIN Lake is limited to 3 circuits for any discipline.
- 2.19 For the SOUTH/MAIN Lake all skiers shall start from the jetty or from the area immediately to the West of the jetty and shall be dropped off at the landing zone (corner of the island). The boat should continue directly to the centre of the lake and you should then pull in the ski rope. **Return at a slow pace to the main jetty giving way to other skiers and boats taking off or dropping skiers.**
- 2.20 No more than 2 people can be pulled behind a boat at any time. The use of a pick-up boat to enable more skiers has been revoked.
- 2.21 RINGO's maximum 1 ringo per boat, to be towed at a speed that never exceeds the manufactures safety warning. Ringo's should only be towed from the ski pole and never from a tower. Recover in the centre of the lake. **Mon-Fri** ringo's may not be used if skiers are queuing to ski. The use of Ringo's is limited to set times on Saturdays Sundays and Bank Holidays (9 am - 10 am) and (1pm - 2 pm) and (4 pm -5 pm). Users must be insured for towing ringo's. Note that not all insurance's cover the use of ringo's. Other types of inflatables may be granted permission in <u>exceptional circumstances</u> following written confirmation from the committee. A Ringo is defined as sitting in and not on. When the maximum of 2 riders are in one Ringo, crash helmets must be worn. Ringos can only be used on the Learner Lake for under 5's.

- 2.22 Parakites are only to be used if the user can demonstrate that they have adequate insurance and that other users are not on the lake at the time, and permission has been given by a Committee Member. Separate rules cover the use of parakites, rules 46 -55.
- 2.23 Boat owners will be required to be the Safety Officer of the Day (SOD). A list will be displayed on the clubhouse notice board at the beginning of the season.Duties list in desk drawer and on notice board. A levy will be charged for non-compliance.

3. SLALOM LAKE

- 3.1 The South course is for Slalom skiing, kneeboard slalom, jump, tricks (to include knee-board tricks for those members actively competing and in possession of a competition licence and practicing a trick run), and barefooting (along the trick run) rules for barefoot are the same as tricks, 15 mins max.
- 3.2 The North course is for Slalom skiing and Kneeboard Slalom (for those members holding a competition licence only). Under no circumstances is Ski-dropping allowed. Re- starting must be in the same direction as the skier was traveling before the fall.
- 3.3 Use is limited to 6 passes of the Slalom course, 4 jumps or 15 minutes tricking.
- 3.4 **Wakeboarding** is not permitted on the slalom lake (with the exception of any organised club competition).
- 3.5 Skiers may not under any circumstances start from any boat jetty.
- 3.6 Failure to comply with these conditions may result in suspension of the driver's right to use the course(s).
- 3.7 Special care must be taken not to damage the slalom course structure which is suspended below the surface. When restarting, the boat must be away from the line of the course. If any buoys are pulled out they must be returned to the clubhouse/member delegated to replace buoys.
- 3.8 A full wet suit/shorty, approved buoyancy jacket and crash helmet **MUST BE WORN WHEN USING THE JUMP.** A competent observer must be present for jumping.

4. GUESTS

4.1 Guest skiers, who must sign in, in the visitor's book and pay the day membership fee, are allowed a maximum of 6 visits per year before joining. The Committee reserve the right to change the number. Those aged under 19 on the day must sign-in but the day membership will be waived. PLEASE ENSURE YOUR GUESTS OBEY THE 5MPH SPEED LIMIT ON SITE. Host members are responsible for their guests and could jeopardize their membership if guests contravene rules

5. SWIMMING

5.1 There are no areas where the Safety Committee consider safe for swimming other than the supervised play area, which is the buoyed off area adjacent to caravan sites B/C. Persons use this area/swim entirely at their own risk. No swimming is permitted after 9pm or dusk (whichever is earlier). No diving/jumping or swimming from the **Main Jetty or Learner Lake Jetty.**

6. CLUBHOUSE

- 6.1 No dogs or bikes allowed in the clubhouse. The clubhouse is a NO SMOKING area.
- 6.2 Members must take good care of the clubhouse leaving it in good state after use. Any rubbish created must be cleared away. Tables should be put back after use to enable cleaners to clean.
- 6.3 Members must not put unwanted furniture/equipment in the clubhouse without approval of the Committee.
- 6.4 Parents are responsible for ensuring that their children take good care of the facilities provided. Parents will be expected to pay for any damage.

7. SITE

7.1 Planning Permission for caravans is from 1st April until 31 October. The site is required to be cleared by 31 October only a picnic bench is permitted to be left on plots. Winter storage is not provided by Boughton Lodge. Only trailers of boats on the water can be left on site. No boats to be left on trailers after 31 October.

- 7.2 Make sure that both gates are locked at all times. Including first gate if South Lake is closed.
- 7.3 Take away your rubbish when you leave the site or put it in the wheelies provided for household rubbish only. (No hot coals in wheelies, douse disposable/charcoal barbeques in lake)
- 7.4 The use of a wood burner is permitted, bonfires directly onto grass are not permitted with the exception of a recognized bonfire site on the island.
- 7.5 Look after the site, its surroundings, the plant life/trees and facilities. Only light pruning of trees/shrubs /bushes adjacent to jetties etc.
- 7.6 Members are requested to keep vehicle movements to a minimum. The speed limit of 5 mph must be observed at all times inside the fenced area.
- 7.7 Only insured and fully licensed drivers/riders are allowed to drive/ ride any motorised vehicles on Boughton Lodge Property, including all of its public and permissive footpaths. Highway Code applies
- 7.8 No person shall drive or ride any motor vehicles on any of the clubs land, which includes the entrance track in its entirety, or drive any boat on any of the clubs water, whilst unfit to do so through drink or drugs. Any member reported to the committee, or considered by a committee member to be unfit, through drink or drugs, to drive or ride a motor vehicle, or drive a boat, will jeopardize their membership. No alcohol to be consumed in a boat at any time to avoid any doubt as to who is drinking.
- 7.9 Members are required to attend 2 work parties per year. Vouchers will be issued for each work party completed. A levy will be charged for non-attendance. These take place on the first Sunday of the Month April through to October from 10 am to 1 pm. Do bring tools with you such as spades/forks/shears etc. and come dressed with old clothes suitable for general site maintenance. Sometimes special tasks are carried out and notification of these will be posted on the notice boards/website in the week prior to the Sunday. Members attaining the age of 65 are exempt from work parties.

- 7.10 Planning permission does not allow the use of tents, campers or additional units in the 6 meter gap or beside caravans on sites A and B but they can be used in the specified area for a nightly fee.
- 7.11 Caravans can only have one awning. Only one unit per pitch is permitted. No unit (tent, caravan or motor home) can exceed the 25ft maximum.
- 7.12 Overnight plots are booked through the club website portal and fees at the current rate are payable in advance, on-line, at time of booking. No refunds are given for non attendance. A maximum stay of 2 weeks is permitted. Additional time can be requested to the committee.
- 7.13 The use of caravans is covered by a separate set of rules.
- 7.14 Jetties cannot be built without the permission of the Committee and position and construction agreed. (AT PRESENT NO MORE JETTIES WILL BE ALLOWED). Vacant jetties can be used by non-owners provided they vacate when required by the owner.
- 7.15 The bank areas immediately adjacent to a boat jetty must be kept tidy and clear of rubbish by the member/s using the jetty. The natural state of the embankment or surroundings must not be tampered with. Proposals for any change must be approved by the Committee. Storage Units/boxes on/adjacent to jetties must not exceed 1.2meters in height
- 7.16 Boat Lifts & Canopies Under no circumstances is any boat lift or canopy to be installed before permission has been obtained from the committee. The Committee nominated person must be contacted in the first instance for guidance and specifications.

8. DOGS

- 8.1 Dog owners must make sure that any fouling by their dog is cleared away.
- 8.2 Members are required to keep dogs on a lead at all times. Dogs must be kept under control and care taken not to frighten children. Noisy or ferocious dogs may be banned from the site if found necessary.

9. PLAY AREA/EQUIPMENT

9.1 Any play equipment provided by the Club is used at the users own risk, the Club is not responsible for any injury or damage to persons or property that may occur. Members should supervise children where appropriate

10. FISHING

10.1 Fishing is allowed OUTSIDE THE SECURITY FENCE ONLY - NO WHERE INSIDE THE SECURITY FENCE INCLUDING THE BUNDS. DO NOT LEAVE ANY LINES/HOOKS/RUBBISH OR ASSOCIATED RUBBISH.

11. PARAGLIDING

- 11.1 Before paragliding can be performed evidence of suitable insurance must be presented to the club safety committee.
- 11.2 Paragliding may only be carried out on the main recreational lake
- 11.3 Paragliding may only be carried out when no other boats are using the main lake.
- 11.4 If another boat should enter the main lake, the paragliding must be immediately stopped.
- 11.5 If somebody is paragliding boats must wait at the main jetty until the paraglider is safely in the water and has been recovered.
- 11.6 Take offs must only be performed into wind.
- 11.7 Landings must only be in water.
- 11.8 A Buoyancy Aid must be worn at all times.
- 11.9 A competent observer must be in the Boat at all times
- 11.10 All Paragliding is done at your own risk

12. PADDLE BOARDING

12.1 Paddle Boarding may take place in the swimming area in front of B site at any time

- 12.2 Paddle boarders may use the main lake or beginners lake at any time when there are NO BOATS on the water. If you are out on the water and a boat comes out, you are to make your way to the edge and vacate the water as quickly and as safely as possible at the earliest landing point, not necessarily from where you started.
- 12.3 Paddle boarding may take place on the South Slalom lake, however if there is a boat out then this should be limited to staying close to the boat jetties and well away from the path of the boat. Be conscious of different paths currently being taken due to shallow waters. The North slalom lake is not to be used for paddle boarding.
- 12.4 Paddleboarders should at all times be mindful of boat movements in and out of jetties and marinas
- 12.5 Paddleboarders are reminded also that our lake operating times are 7am till dusk or 9pm whichever is earlier

Boughton Lodge Water Sports Club Ltd

Rules/Regulations and Conditions for Caravan Plot Holders Permanent, Overnight and Campers

To comply with:

Site License Planning Regulations Club Bye-laws

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BLWSC Rules and Regulations for Caravan Plot Holders Permanent, Overnight and Campers.

These rules are to ensure that the County Planning and Environmental Health requirements are not infringed and to ensure that the selfish actions of some do not spoil the enjoyment of others. Anyone not abiding by these rules will be admonished and may have the use of the plot taken away with no return of any fees. The member named as plot holder is responsible for all family and guests using a plot.

- 1. Planning Permission and Site Licence is from 1 April until 31st October only. (See also rule 7.1 Supplementary rules)
- 2. Site License is for touring caravans, tents and motor homes, not exceeding the 25' maximum body length (excluding towing hitch).
- 3. The caravan plot can only be held by one member (no shares), the plot holder must hold a family membership and can only have one caravan (or touring unit) on site at any one time (e.g. a motor home should not be brought onto the site as well as a touring caravan in the same ownership as the plot holder).
- 4. Members can only hold 1 caravan plot even if there are vacant plots
- 5. Caravan plots are not transferable
- 6. No dumping or leaving of rubbish either on the site or in the adjacent woodlands is permitted. The area around the caravan and under the caravan must be kept tidy at all times. Wheelie bins are provided for household rubbish only.
- 7. Chemical toilets must be emptied in the tank behind the toilet block and not in the toilet block itself.
- 8. Waste water must be disposed of into a soak away or waste water holder.
- 9. Each caravan including the awning must be 6 meters on all sides from the next caravan. Care should be taken when purchasing a new awning to ensure a 6 mtr gap is maintained.
- 10. A gap of at least 1 meter must be left between a wind break and the adjoining caravan.
- 11. No washing lines are permitted on the site.

- 12. No tents, motor homes or additional units are permitted in the 6 meter gap between pitches or beside caravans. There is a specified area on C Site for additional units charged at a nightly fee.
- 13. Caravans can only have one awning.
- 14. Only one unit per pitch is permitted. No unit (Caravan, tent or motor home) can exceed the 25ft maximum length.
- 15. Overnight plots are booked through the Warden and fees at the current rate are payable in advance, at time of booking. No refunds are given for non attendance. A maximum stay of 2 weeks is permitted. Additional time can be requested to the committee.
- 16. Trampolines are not permitted at individual caravan plots: see rule 9 Play Equipment Supplementary rules.
- 17. Ball games are to be respectfully deterred on the caravan sites and the use of the designated area promoted.
- 18. ONLY ONE CAR AND A MAXIMUM OF 2 MOTORCYCLES may be parked near the caravan, and boats only for a short time whilst being unloaded/loaded. No boat trailers must be left by caravans. Other vehicles must be parked in those areas set aside for parking.
- 19. Concrete bases are not permitted under caravans or awnings and any slabs laid must not be cemented in. Members giving up plots must leave the plot in a tidy state. Permission for external decking slabbing must be obtained from the committee.
- 20. Make sure that you, your family and friends leave the toilets and facilities as you would wish to find them.
- 21. Caravan users are advised to have a fire extinguisher and/or fire blanket. Make sure that your family and any guests are aware of your nearest fire point and what to do in case of a fire.
- 22. Caravans or equipment may not be connected to any of the utilities available on site (except own hook-up) and **the use of generators is not permitted**.
- 23. Mooring/unloading/loading/dropping off/fishing in the bays adjacent to plots 31-60 is not permitted. (Fishing is covered in supplementary rules)
- 24. Relevant rules also apply to tent users
- 25. Plots 1-66 are permanent plots, overnight caravans and tents are permitted (in designated area on site) and must be 6 meters apart on all sides.

- 26. A plot holder must use the plot for a minimum of 14 nights during a season. Any plot left empty for a complete season, April October will be forfeited.
- 27. Sub-letting of permanent caravans is not permitted although a member is permitted to stay in another member's caravan. A vacant 'let' plot is not permitted to be sub-let or used by any member other than the plot holder.
- Guests—the hosts of guests must be on site during their guests stay – day/overnight/weekend/holiday periods.
- 29. Out of season—the use of tarpaulins/sheeting to cover any awning/external floor covering is not permitted.
- 30. Use of electric hook-up is covered on take up.
- 31 If your insurance permits, caravan owners are recommended to remove and replace caravan wheels with winter wheels during the season to increase the level of security for all caravans on site.
- 32. There are designated areas for grass cutting, at the south boundary of C site and the North Boundary of A site. Grass cuttings must not be disposed of on any other area around the site.
- 33. All Caravans are required to have comprehensive public liability insurance. Proof of liability insurance is required to be returned to the membership secretary along with your membership renewal. If renewal becomes due later in the year, then a copy of the new insurance certificate must be sent to the Membership Secretary.
- 34. All Caravan owners must turn of all gas supplies at the cylinders when leaving site.
- 35. Noise must be kept to an acceptable level at all times to avoid spoiling the enjoyment of other members. All music to be turned off at midnight and noise must be kept to a level that does not disturb neighbouring members or visitors who may have retired for the evening.

THE SITE LICENCE IS GRANTED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICER AND CAN BE WITHDRAWN IF RULES ARE INFRINGED. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THESE RULES WILL JEOPARDIZE YOUR CARAVAN MEMBERSHIP.



Amendments