

## **Highworth Canoe Club Policies/Rules:**

These rules have been compiled by the Club Committee to ensure that safety is of the highest priority they are however not intended to prevent members from having fun and enjoying canoeing and water sports.

- 1) All Highworth Canoe Club Trips and training session must have an appropriately qualified BCU Coach in attendance or a recognised person deemed fit by the Highworth canoe club committee.
- 2) The designated BCU coach has ultimate authority of the session or trip.
- 3) No person is allowed afloat without the prior knowledge, and consent, of the designated session instructor. Only members who hold the BCU two star and FSRT certificate can paddle without the direct supervision of a coach
- 4) For a trip to be endorsed by HCC a risk assessment must be completed, by the trip leader (not necessarily a coach), and witnessed by the head coach.
- 5) If a junior member wishes to attend a trip an Adult approval Form must be signed and an appropriate attending adult has to agree to take responsibility for said junior.
- 6) Buoyancy aids must be worn at all times on and in the water
- 7) Sunday sessions commence at 10am and finish at noon and week day sessions commence at 6.30pm and finish at 9pm, the day which the week day sessions are held may vary seasonal.
- 8) No swimming is permitted until the end of the session when all equipment has been correctly stored away.
- 9) Non-members are not allowed to use club equipment, unless specifically invited to, by the designated instructor. All members must sign out and in the equipment which is borrowed and the date of said action.
- 10) Every member is permitted to attend and raise any issue which concerns Highworth Canoe Club members, committee meetings are held every first Sunday of the month after the session has ended.
- 11) Communication will be predominately through the online forum and it is up to members to keep up to date with the activities of the club.
- 12) Every club member and/or their parent/guardian, should, read the club safety rules, and sign a form confirming that they agree to abide by them (this is the incorporated in the membership form)

**Safe, simple, clear and Enforceable**