

CLITHEROE CANOE CLUB

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NEW CLUB WEBSITE

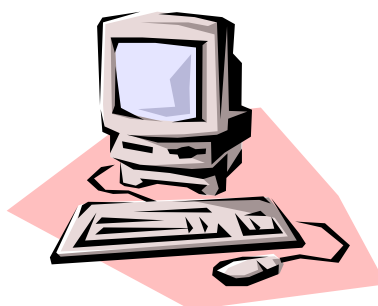
Thanks to the efforts of Neville Wilkinson and Steve Almond, Clitheroe Canoe Club has just launched its new web site with 2 alternative domain names. www.clitheroecanoeclub.org and www.clitheroecanoeclub.org.uk

The web site is in its early stages of development, but well worth a visit, so feel free to log on, have a look, bookmark the site, visit it regularly and

watch it develop.

We hope to develop the site so that it becomes a useful resource for all members to use, and to that end, all members are invited to make suggestions on how the site can be developed to make it more useful.

Be sure to tell all your friends and family to check out the web site.



Log on and look!

This is your Club

- If you have something of interest to share with the club please contact the Chairman Jonathan Downing by phone, email, or just talk! he will get it included in the newsletter.
- **Get Involved** all your ideas for Fund Raising, Outings, Parties, etc will be very much appreciated.

LOGO COMPETITION

We will be adopting a new logo to provide the club with a unique identity and image, all junior members of the club are invited and encouraged to design and draw an image which can be used as the basis for a logo for the club (parents are encouraged to help younger members). The winning logo will be used on the club

website, on all club correspondence, the club newsletter, and may even appear on club boats, equipment and T-shirts etc.

All designs must be sent to Jonathan Downing at 54, Pendle Road, Clitheroe, LANCs BB7 1JQ before the closing date which is Saturday 14th February.

The logo you create should be fairly simple in design and as much as possible reference Clitheroe and canoeing.

The competition entries will be judged by Jem Lees, who until his retirement, taught art, and specialised in printing processes.

announced in the March Newsletter. Not only will the winner have the honour of having their artwork associated with the club for many years to come, but they will also be presented with a watch which not only tells the time, but it has 32Mb of on board memory which can be accessed via the USB

DUTY OF CARE

Following a review of procedures, the coaching staff have asked for some changes to the management of paddling sessions at Chatburn Water to be implemented.

Junior paddlers (11 and under). Could parents of children aged 11 and under please arrange for themselves or a responsible adult to remain at the club while their child is paddling. Occasionally, we have had children who have stopped paddling before the end of a

session, and for their own safety, a coach has had to leave the water to supervise them, which obviously detracts from the work the coach is there to do.

Fun Sessions. When a fun session immediately follows a previous session, all paddlers in the previous session must leave the water even if they are taking part in the fun session. This will prevent paddlers taking to the water at the start of the fun session without first warming up, or first-timers

taking to the water unidentified.

Your compliance with these requests will be greatly appreciated by the coaching staff.

MEMBERSHIP FEES

Annual subscriptions will become due in April (you will receive a reminder in due course), and will be the same as last year i.e.

***Family Membership
£55***

***Adult Membership
£20***

***Junior Membership
£15***

However, from April, there will be a change to the cost of the general, coaching, and fun sessions at Chatburn Water.

The new charges will

be:

Members

£4

Non-Members

£10

A new tariff is to be introduced which will cap the cost for a member family where there are more than 2 juniors.

***Junior Family Ticket
£10***

So for a family with more than 2 children the cost for the children will not exceed £10, regardless of the number of

children.

The club's management committee trusts that members will agree that the annual subscriptions and session charges continue to represent excellent value for money, with particular regard to the length of the sessions, the quality of the coaching service, and the recent improvements to the facilities and equipment.

The management committee will

Beat The Chill

Ribblesdale Pool Sessions

There will be two sessions at Edisford Pool each Saturday, the first running from 5pm until 6pm and the second running from 6pm until 7pm.

Below are the sessions for February

The sessions will be split into different groups:-

Fun Bonanza 28 th February 2004	This will be as the word says for fun and open to all (parents, friends and members)
Youth Water Confidence 7 th & 21 st February 2004	This will be designed around individual needs and confidence building with the main focus being on you the member becoming more comfortable in the boats and the water. (Mainly for those that have done previous pool sessions or have had a full summer on the Lake)
Bobbies 21 st February 2004	This is a BCU recognized scheme designed for the junior members It will allow you to have fun, learn a lot and get very wet in a warm pool
Skills 7 th February 2004	This course will be based around individual needs and can be anything from golden oldie forward paddling to some of the more technical strokes
Rolling & Recovery 28 th February 2004	This course is exactly what it says. It is always the most popular however it is not really for the smaller members but for the more experienced members.

These courses have always been very popular and normally places soon fill, therefore it is very important that you get the booking slip (enclosed) completed and returned as soon as possible, along with payment for the courses you wish to attend. Cheques made payable to Clitheroe Canoe Club.

Fun Bonanza & Parents & Friends	£3.00 per session
All other courses	£5.00 per session

*If you need any help on the course for you ring either:-

John Turner	01200 447609
Jonathan Downing	01200 423962

CANOE POLO

Starting from Sunday 11th January, all club members are invited to play canoe polo, currently the fastest growing canoe sport.

The sessions will be every Sunday evening from 8-9pm at Colne Swimming Pool, and will be run jointly with Pendle Paddlers and Clitheroe Canoe Club, cost £2.50 payable on the night.

This is an excellent opportunity to

regularly take part in a competitive aspect of canoe sport which is most often played indoors (where it is warm), and is very rarely subject to vagaries of the weather.

Give it a try!

For more details contact Andy Noblett on 01254 248457 (good luck - its always engaged), or email him

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andynoblett@bluecarrots.com
(he's always on line, that'll be why the phone's always engaged!).

Presentation Evening

The presentation evening on Saturday 13th December was an excellent occasion enjoyed by all who went. Congratulations to all those who won awards.

Award

Members Choice (Voted by you)

Club Member Of The Year

It's Easy When You Know How (Coaching)

Flying Paddle (Family Award)

Half The Paddle - Twice The Person (Open Boating)

Half The Paddle - Twice The Junior

The Whale Award (Swimmer award)

High Priest To The River God (Swimmer award)

High Priestess To The River God

Rescue Award

Anorak Of The Year (Joint Winners)

Found Trophy

Go-Go-Gadget Award

Winner

Dave Kershaw

Alison Tapley

Jonathan Downing

The Briggs Family

Neville Wilkinson

Chris Wilkinson

Mark Schofield

Neville Wilkinson

Alison Tapley

Jim Nolan

Jonathan Noblett & Tom Turner

Gary Walton

Cameron (Tweety-Pie) Downing

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - NORTH WEST

North West Weekend

TEESIDE

8th & 9th May 2004

Every year, Clitheroe Canoe Club hosts an event known as The North-West Weekend at the Teesside White Water Course near Stockton-On-Tees in County Durham. This year the event will be on Saturday the 8th and Sunday 9th May.

All canoe clubs from the

North of England are invited to take part, including clubs from Lancashire, Cheshire, Cumbria, and Yorkshire. The weekend comprises of one day of coaching in various disciplines including basic skills, river running, play-boating, and slalom. The other day comprises of competitions, and all attendees are positively encouraged to take part in all 5 disciplines; down river race, flat water slalom, polo, sprint racing (in a

wavehopper), and freestyle rodeo competition.

Competitions are grouped for under 13s, under 16s, male adults, and female adults.

Make a note in your diary for this not-to-be missed event. You can come for one day, or both, there are also camping facilities available if you wish to stay overnight. Entry charges are likely to be £8 per day, or £14 for both days. More details and