

ALTON WATER

S P O R T S C E N T R E

2009

Alton Water Sports Centre
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Welcome to the Alton Water Sports Centre 2009 brochure,

We are pleased to be able to offer a comprehensive range of activities to satisfy sailors of all abilities in 2009, and as an added bonus we are pleased to announce that the prices have remained unchanged.

This season we are pleased to be hosting more racing and open events than ever. The highlights of which will be a regatta weekend on the 23rd & 24th May and a 12 hour Lemons Hill Bridge endurance event in September, for more information on racing and race training events please visit www.altonwater.co.uk

For our younger sailors we will once again be running OnBoard and Team 15 sessions throughout the season, and we are very pleased to be hosting the OnBoard interclub regatta this summer, where members of Alton Waters OnBoard club will be competing against other local OnBoard clubs.

Our range of training courses, in conjunction with Suffolk Water Sports Association and Good Skills Training, mean we can cater for all abilities from beginner to instructor. There are also opportunities to try tidal sailing at Suffolk Water Sports Associations training centre on the river Orwell. Our tidal activities include a comprehensive Powerboat program.

Our hire fleet which is available from April to October continues to grow for 2009, we now have 15 Topaz's available to compliment the sizable fleet of sail and paddle craft which means there should always be something to go and have fun in.

It only remains for my team and I to wish you a very enjoyable 2009, we look forward to seeing you on the water soon and in the meantime we're always here to help.

Regards

Jonathan Brett
Centre Manager and RYA Principal

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Adult Sailing Courses

All courses are conducted by fully qualified RYA Instructors and include wetsuit & buoyancy aid hire, logbooks and certificates.

Please look very carefully at pre-entry requirements; if a student is not up to standard it restricts the learning of others.

Times: Weekdays 10:00 – 16:30 Weekends 10:00 – 17:30

Level II (Basic Skills)

This course is for beginners or those with limited sailing experience.

Course duration: either 5 weekdays or 2 consecutive Weekends

Cost: £259

Pre-entry: none

Course codes & dates:

Weekday		Weekends	
AB1	18 th – 22 nd May	ABW1	16 th – 24 th May
AB2	8 th – 12 th June	ABW2	13 th – 21 st June
AB3	6 th – 10 th July	ABW3	4 th – 12 th July
AB4	10 th – 14 th August	ABW4	12 th – 20 th September
AB5	7 th – 11 th September		

Wednesday Morning Adult sailing £10 per session

For 2009 we will be re-introducing Wednesday morning sailing, these instructor supervised sessions will be fairly informal and a great opportunity to get out on the water with like minded individuals. Keep an eye on the website for dates. www.altonwater.co.uk

Start Racing

Pre entry requirements:- Level II

2 day course providing skill, strategy and tactics for racing. Complete the course and you'll be ready to join our racing series. Price of this course includes entry to the Winter Warm Up series.

Course duration: 2 days

Cost: £157

Pre entry:- Level II & a seasons sailing

Course codes & dates:

SR	29 th & 30 th August
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Young Sailors Scheme

These courses are conducted by fully qualified RYA instructors and include wetsuit & buoyancy aid hire, logbooks, certificates

Please look very carefully at pre-entry requirements; if a student is not up to standard it restricts the learning of others.

Junior Beginners (6-11 years)

This course is for beginners who will, upon completion, have achieved Stage I, with the possibility of Stage II.

Course duration: Approx 3hrs session each day (morning, afternoon or evening) over 5 days.

Cost: £132

Pre-entry: none

Week Commencing	Morning 10:00 – 13:00	Afternoon 13:30 – 16:15	Evening 16:30 – 19:30
25 th May	A1M	A1A	A1E
13 th July	A2M	A2A	A2E
20 th July	A3M	A3A	A3E
27 th July	A4M	A4A	A4E
3 rd August	A5M	A5A	A5E
10 th August	A6M	A6A	A6E
17 th August	A7M	A7A	A7E
24 th August	A8M	A8A	A8E

Youth Beginners (11 - 16 years)

This course is for beginners aimed at achieving Stage II

Course duration: Approx 4.5hrs session each day (morning or afternoon) over 5 days.

Cost: £152

Pre-entry: none

Week Commencing	Morning 10:00 – 14:30	Afternoon 15:00 – 19:30
25 th May	B1M	
20 th July	B2M	B2A
27 th July	B3M	
3 rd August	B4M	
10 th August	B5M	B5A
17 th August	B6M	
24 th August	B7M	

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Junior Improver (8 - 11 years)

Students for this course MUST hold a Stage II certificate and must have a seasons sailing experience. Course expectation is to achieve Stage III

Duration: Approx 4.5 hrs per day (morning or afternoon) over 5 days.

Cost: £152

Pre-entry: Stage II & 20 hours helming

Week Commencing	Morning 10:00 – 14:30	Afternoon 15:00 – 19:30
25 th May	C1M	C1A
13 th July	C2M	C2A
20 th July	C3M	C3A
27 th July	C4M	C4A
3 rd August	C5M	C5A
10 th August	C6M	C6A
17 th August	C7M	C7A
24 th August	C8M	C8A
26 th October	C9M (10:00 – 15:00)	

Youth Improver (12 -16 years)

Students for this course MUST hold a Stage II certificate and have a seasons sailing experience. Course expectation is to achieve Stage III

Course duration: Approx 4.5 hrs (afternoon) over 5 days.

Cost: £152

Pre-entry: Stage II & 20 hours helming

Week Commencing	Morning 10:00 – 15:00	Afternoon 15:00 – 19:30
25 th May		D1A
27 th July		D2A
3 rd August		D3A
17 th August		D4A
24 th August		D5A
26 th October	D6M	

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Youth Advanced (single and doublehanders) (13 - 16 years)

Students for this course **MUST** hold a Stage III certificate and have a seasons sailing experience. Course expectation is to achieve Stage IV

Course duration: 10:00—16:00 over 4 days

Cost: £181

Pre-entry: Stage III & 20 hours helming

Date	Code
26 th May	E1
21 st July	E2
4 th August	E3
26 th October	E4

Youth Racing

Pre entry requirements:- Stage IV. 2 day course providing skill, strategy and tactics for racing. Complete the course and you'll be ready to join our racing series.

Course duration: 10:00—16:00 over 2 days

Cost: £157

Pre-entry: Stage IV & a seasons sailing

Date	Code
24 th & 25 th October	YR

RYA ONBOARD



Improving

Alton Water is very pleased to be involved in OB (OnBoard), developed by the RYA and partnered by *TEAMORIGIN* (British challenge for the 33rd Americans Cup) is a new programme to help introduce and retain young people in the sports of dinghy sailing and windsurfing.

In addition to our courses we are looking to develop the regular sailing club we introduced in 2007. The aim of the Alton Crusaders is to continue the development of Alton Water's young sailors (8 - 16 years) by means of regular supervised sessions.

The sessions are open to members only (but remember Youth Membership is only £20) and will include both sailing and windsurfing.

Sessions* will be held on the following dates:

Saturdays 14:00 - 16:30 16th May - 26th September

Tuesday 16:30 - 19:30 21th July - 25th August

Cost per session: £15 (inc. all hire costs)

Booking opens 6 days before session. Call **01473 328408**

TIDAL SAILING

Suffolk Water Sports Association (SWSA) are offering the following courses for 2008, if you wish to attend one of the courses please contact SWSA direct. **01394 382007** or www.suffolkwatersports.co.uk

Youth Sailing (11-16)

Junior Dinghy Sailing Stage 3

Five mornings on the river Orwell.

Week Commencing	Mornings
20 th – 24 th July	JD8
10 th – 14 th Aug.	JD9

Junior Dinghy Sailing Stage 4

Five mornings on the river Orwell.

Week Commencing	Mornings
20 th – 24 th July	JD11
10 th – 14 th Aug.	JD12

Adult Sailing (16+)

Seamanship Courses

2 day course developing sailing skills and basic navigation.

Weekend	River	Course Code
4 th & 5 th July	Deben	AD15
19 th & 20 th Sept	Orwell	AD16

Improver Sailing (16+)

This course is aimed at relatively new sailors who have completed the RYA Level 2 course or Stage 4, but do not feel ready to tackle the RYA's advanced modules but want supportive tuition to improve their confidence and technique, helping them to become independent sailors.

Weekend	River	Course Code
20 th & 21 st June	Orwell	AD13
19 th & 20 th Sept	Orwell	AD14

01394 382007

www.suffolkwatersports.co.uk

Instructor Courses

Dinghy Instructor

5 day course to become an RYA recognised Dinghy Instructor, for full course requirements please contact **Stuart on 01394 382007**

Dates	Course	Course Code
31 st Jan	Pre-assessments	Pre 2
1 st July	Pre-assessments	Pre 3
26 th September	Pre-assessments	Pre 4
10 th October	Pre-assessments	Pre 5
29 th March & 14 th – 17 th April	Dinghy Instructor	DI1
24 th & 25 th Oct 30 th Oct – 1 st Nov.	Dinghy Instructor	DI2

Power Boat Instructor

3 day course to become an RYA recognised Power Boat Instructor, for full course requirements please contact Stuart on 01394 382007

Dates	Course	Course Code
10 th April	Pre-assessments	PBP1
24 th – 26 th April	Powerboat Instructor	PBI1

Instructor related courses

Power boat

Dates	Course	Location	Code
4 th & 5 th April	National PB2	Orwell (AWSC)	PBT1
9 th & 10 th May	National PB2	Orwell (AWSC)	PBT2
6 th & 7 th June	National PB2	Orwell (AWSC)	PBT3
18 th & 19 th July	National PB2	Orwell (AWSC)	PBT4
8 th & 9 th August	National PB2	Orwell (AWSC)	PBT5
12 th & 13 th Sept.	National PB2	Orwell (AWSC)	PBT6
3 rd & 4 th October	National PB2	Orwell (AWSC)	PBT7
9 th & 10 th May	Safety boat	Deben (SWSA)	SB1
8 th & 9 th August	Safety boat	Orwell (SWSA)	SB2
10 th & 11 th October	Safety boat	Orwell (AWSC)	SBT1

First Aid (see page 15 for full details)

Dates	Operator	Location	Code
25 th April	Good Skills Training	Alton Water	RYAF0901
13 th June	Good Skills Training	Alton Water	RYAF0902
1 st August	Good Skills Training	Alton Water	RYAF0903
5 th September	Good Skills Training	Alton Water	RYAF0904
31 st October	Good Skills Training	Alton Water	RYAF0905

Windsurfing

Please look very carefully at pre-entry requirements; if a student is not up to standard it restricts the learning of others.

All Adult courses are 10:00-17:00 each day

Adult Saturday Beginners

This is a one day course for the absolute novice who is keen to grasp the basics of windsurfing

Course duration: 10:00–17:00

Cost: £73

Pre-entry: none

Date	Code
30 th May	W1
6 th June	W2
20 th June	W3
27 th June	W4
4 th July	W5
18 th July	W6
25 th July	W7

Date	Code
1 st Aug.	W8
15 th Aug.	W9
22 nd Aug.	W10
29 th Aug.	W11
5 th Sept.	W12
12 th Sept.	W13
19 th Sept.	W14

Adult Level I

This is the RYA introductory adult course designed to provide you with the basic skills to enjoy windsurfing.

Course duration: 2 days

Cost: £147

Pre-entry: none

Date	Code
13 th & 14 th June	Y1
11 th & 12 th July	Y2
8 th & 9 th Aug.	Y3

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Youth Windsurfing Courses

Please look very carefully at pre-entry requirements; if a student is not up to standard it restricts the learning of others.

Youth Level I (11 – 16 years)

This is the RYA introductory course designed to introduce children to windsurfing in a fun and safe environment.

Course duration: 4 days (3 hours per day)

Cost: £103

Pre-entry: none

Date	Morning 10:00 – 13:00	Afternoon 13:30 – 16:30
26 th May	L1M	
21 st July	L2M	L2A
28 th July	L3M	
4 th August	L4M	L4A
11 th August	L5M	
18 th August	L6M	L6A
25 th August	L7M	

Youth Level II/III (12 - 16 years)

Taking you to the next level; maybe the harness, the footstraps or even a little freestyle.

Course duration: 4 days (3 hours per day)

Cost: £103

Pre-entry: Level I and a seasons sailing

Date	Morning 10:00 – 13:00	Afternoon 13:30 – 16:30
26 th May		M1A
28 th July		M2A
11 th August		M3A
26 th October	M4M	



WIPEOUTS



For those 11-15 year olds looking to improve their windsurfing still further why not come and join Team 15, the Alton Water Wipeouts train most Saturday mornings from May to October. There are also a number of opportunities for T15 members to race against other clubs both regionally and nationally. The sessions are open to members only (but remember Youth Membership is only £20)

Terms & Conditions

TERMS & CONDITIONS OF BOOKING

A place on a course is only confirmed on receipt of full payment and a completed booking form. **Due to the high demand for courses at the Centre, we can no longer hold places for more than 72hrs without payment.**

PAYMENT

Please attach payment in full to the booking form. If paying by cheque, please make it payable to **Alton Water Sports Centre**. The Centre can also accept payment by phone using either a credit or debit card. The Centre will confirm your booking in writing and send any appropriate joining instructions.

BOOKING FORM

It is essential that we have an emergency contact number that will be answered, particularly for children attending courses. Please also ensure that any medical conditions are clearly stated along with any medication that may be required in an emergency.

CANCELLATIONS

Bookings cancelled more than 21 days before the start of the course will incur a £20 administration fee only. Bookings cancelled 21 days or less before the start date will only be entitled to a refund if the centre is able to re-sell the space. If the Centre has to cancel a course for whatever reason, any student booked on that course will be entitled to either a full refund or a place on an alternative course.

PRECONDITIONS

If a student is deemed, by the Instructor and the Principal, not to be of the standard set out in the pre-entry requirements, they will be asked to leave the course and no refund will be offered.

MEDICATION

If a student brings any medication for existing medical conditions they must inform the instructor. In the case of minors, medication should be handed to staff before going afloat.

STATEMENT OF RISK

Sailing and windsurfing are physical activities and by their nature involve risks of injury or death.

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Course Booking Form 2009

Please use one booking form per student

COURSE CODE	
COURSE DESC.	

STUDENT SURNAME			
FIRST NAMES			
AGE (if under 18)		DATE OF BIRTH	
ADDRESS			
			POSTCODE

DAYTIME TEL	
MOBILE	
EMAIL	

ANY KNOWN MEDICAL CONDITIONS - failure to declare any previous or pre-existing medical conditions, prior to participating in this course, will result in the company taking no responsibility for any subsequent injuries caused directly or indirectly by the pre-existing condition	
I am / my child is physically fit to participate in this course and confident in water whilst wearing a buoyancy aid	
SIGNATURE (PARENT OR GUARDIAN <i>if under 18yrs</i>)	
	DATE

EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME	
EMERGENCY CONTACT No.	
NEXT OF KIN (if different)	

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MOBILE	
EMAIL	

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One to One Tuition

Tailored to your specific needs and at convenient times for you.

If you are unable to take advantage of our full range of courses we can arrange tuition just for you, to any level. Tuition sessions are for 3 hours, cost includes a fully qualified instructor. Sessions can also accommodate an extra person for an additional cost

Sessions are for 3 hours and usually start at 10:00, 13:30 or 16:30.

Using centre Equipment.

One to One Sailing	£69
One to One Windsurfing	£69
Extra person	£24

Members discount 20%

Using Own Equipment (if suitable)

Non-members	£49
Members	£34

One to one windsurfing & sailing
available all year at your convenience
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Powerboat Courses & First Aid

Powerboat - RYA Level II

Essential qualification for people wishing to use powered craft.

Course duration: 2 days (10:00 – 16:00)

Cost: £196 (tidal - PBT)

Date	Code
4 th & 5 th April	PBT1
9 th & 10 th May	PBT2
6 th & 7 th June	PBT3

Date	Code
18 th & 19 th July	PBT4
8 th & 9 th Aug.	PBT5
12 th & 13 th Sept.	PBT6
3 rd & 4 th Oct.	PBT7

Powerboat – RYA Safety Boat certificate

Improves your powerboat skills and enables you to provide assistance to small craft.

Course duration: 2 days (10:00 – 16:00)

Cost: £225 (tidal)

Pre-entry: PB2 & one years experience

Date	Code
10 th & 11 th October	SBT1

RYA Small Craft First Aid Course in association with



This one-day course is designed to provide a working knowledge of first aid for people using small craft and to support skippers. If you need CAT C Drugs to be covered (All Skippers of MCA Coded boats need this), please notify Good Skills Training at least 2 weeks before course date.

Date	Code
25 th April	RYAF0901
13 th June	RYAF0902
1 st Aug.	RYAF0903

Date	Code
5 th Sept.	RYAF0904
31 st Oct.	RYAF0905

The price of this course is £60 including the course manual.

Course times: 10:00 – 18:00

To book onto one of these courses please contact Good Skills Training

01279 254150

info@goodskillstraining.co.uk

Hiring

<u>Craft</u>	<u>1 hour</u>	<u>3 hours</u>	<u>All day</u>
Dayboat*	£20	£44	£69
Topaz	£15	£34	£49
Topper	£12	£29	£39
Taz	£14	£31	£44
Oppie	£10	£24	£39
Canoe-Single	£9	£21	£34
Canoe-Double	£13	£31	£49
Windsurfer	£12	£29	£49
Wetsuit/B.A	£3	£6	£9

*Appropriate qualifications must be shown at time of hiring

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Racing Programme 2009

Series

Frostbite – 4th January – 1st March

Spring – 15th March – 10th May

Summer – 30st May – 11th July

Monday Night – 1st June – 24th August

Winter Warm Up – 13th Sept. – 11th Oct.

Winter – 25th Oct. – 20th Dec.

Frostbite 2010 – 3rd January – 28th Feb.

Lemons Hill Bridge Races

13th April – 11:00 Start

4th May – 11:00 Start

5th September – 12 hour endurance

1st January 2010 – 11:00 Start

Regattas & Opens

15th March - Phantom Open

18th April – Streaker Open

3rd May - RS Open

23rd & 24th May - Alton Water Regatta

Check our website for additional events

www.altonwater.co.uk

Membership

Membership Period

1st April 2009 - 31st March 2010

Opening Times

	Weekdays	Weekend
April-September	10:00-20:00	10:00-18:00
October	10:00-19:00	10:00-18:00
November-March	10:00-16:00	10:00-16:00
Or sunset if earlier		

Closed Christmas Day & Boxing Day

Membership Fees

Family****	£120
Individual	£90
Concessions **	£65
Youth ***	£20
Extra Family Member*	£20
Day Extra Person	£5
Monohull Storage	£83
Multihull Storage	£133
Windsurf storage	£42

*only with family membership

** proof of full time education or age required

***under 16 years of age at 1st April 2009

****2 adults & 3 children under 16

ALL CRAFT BEING STORED MUST BE TIED DOWN WHEN NOT IN USE.

PLEASE NOTE STORAGE IS ONLY AVAILABLE FOR ANNUAL & WINTER RACING PARTICIPANTS

Please print all details

Surname		Forename	
Email			
Address			Postcode
Tel no.		Mobile no.	

Most correspondence will be by email, so please provide an email address

Membership	(circle as required)	Craft type	
Family	Individual Concessions	Sail No.	
Youth	Extra family member	Insurance	
Storage No.		Policy No.	

I have read the rules and regulations of Alton Water Sports Centre and agree to abide by them.

I also confirm that my craft is covered by at least Third Party Insurance with Liability to a value of £2,000,000.

Signature Date.....

Card Car Sticker Boat Sticker Database Postal Membership no. _____

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Rules and Regulations

A. Abbreviations

RYA	Royal Yachting Association	OOD	Officer of the Day (duty manager)
AWS	Anglian Water Services	SBO	Safety Boat Officer
AWSC	Alton Water Sports Centre	IRPCS	International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea

Below are the general rules, orders, regulations and procedures and regulations relating to use of AWSC and training services provided by the centre. Titles and subtitles have no standing, they are provided only to aid navigation of the rules

B. Definitions

AWSC	Reference to the legal entity includes reference to the reservoir sailing area, centre buildings, dinghy storage area, sheds, storage racks, boat launching area, car parks and land adjacent to the reservoir
Annual Notice of Fees	Annually revised and published list of fees relating to membership, hire and training services provided by AWSC
Car Park	All areas designated for parking within the grounds controlled by AWSC
Centre Management	Refers to the AWSC management committee, the centre manager and to staff and designated volunteers acting under instruction from the same
Dinghy Park	The area protected by fencing, designated for storage of dinghies
Low Usage Area	An area of the Dinghy Park designated from time to time by the Centre Manager, for high density storage of vessels for whom fees have not been paid, for vessels consider be unseaworthy and for vessels that are consider at the discretion of the Centre Manager, to have had no or very limited usage during the preceding year
Hire of Equipment	Refers to hire of dinghies, wind surfing boards, canoes and any other equipment that the Centre Management make available for hire
Membership	Relates only to annual subscription members
Visitors	Being persons who do not pay annual membership subscription
Water Watch	Being the operation of continuous safety watch of the designated sailing area by the OOD or designated staff and/or volunteers under the direct control of the OOD

C. Introduction

The Alton Water Sports Centre has a lease agreement with the water owners Anglian Water Services Ltd (AWS) enabling recreational water activity to take place. The activities allowed are Sailing, Windsurfing, Canoeing and Rowing (skiff or gig)). However the decision as to which actually take place rests with AWSC.

The AWS will not become involved with individual groups or water users, as all activities remain the responsibility of AWSC.

D. Rules and regulations relating to all AWSC users

Admittance to and use of AWSC

1. Those taking part in activities at AWSC shall enter the premises entirely at their own risk and the Alton Water Sports Centre Directors, Committee, Officers or Agents shall not be liable to participants or visitors for any death, personal injury, damage, loss or inconvenience howsoever or wheresoever's caused to them or to any goods and chattels brought by them to Alton Water.
2. In accordance with the Unfair Contract Terms Act 1977, this does not exclude liability for death or personal injury caused by the negligence of the Centre, its officers or agents
3. Kite surfing, water skiing, jet skiing, inflatable craft, model boats and motorised boats are not permitted for use by members or the public. All other craft will be at the discretion of the Duty Manager. Inflatable canoes or dinghies are only permitted where prior permission of the management committee has been obtained.
4. Admittance to AWSC is permitted only upon registration and payment of the appropriate fee and only during the period to which the registration and fee relate. Qualifying fees include:
 - a. payment of an annual membership fee
 - b. payment of a day users fee
 - c. payment by a class association of other organising body, of relevant fee in respect of an event
 - d. payment of training course fees
 - e. Hire of Equipment provided by AWSC

5. Users of AWSC who have not registered with the centre and/or who have not made the relevant payment, have no rights to use AWSC. Where cars, dinghies, boards or other equipment are found to be on AWSC grounds, they are liable to be impounded at the decision of the Centre Management, the pending payment of membership and release fees as prescribed in the Annual Notice of Fees

Opening Times

6. Use of AWSC is only permitted during opening times
7. Opening times are published on www.altonwater.co.uk, in AWSC annual brochure and in the foyer of the main buildings
8. Opening times may be varied from time to time by the Centres Management Committee, the Centre Manager or by the OOD

Use of AWSC Car Parks

9. Car Parks administered by the centre are only for the use of members or equipment hirers and upon payment of a fee as set out in rule 4 above
10. Visitors may only use the parking area upon payment of a fee as designated in rule 4 above

Health & Safety

11. All children under the age of 12 yrs must be accompanied by and under the close supervision of an adult.
12. Children aged 12 to 16 yrs using the facilities alone must produce written consent from a parent/guardian.
13. The Centre will be opened by the Duty Manager who as OOD is an experienced sailor and a recognised SBO. All activities are under control of the OOD and his/her orders must be obeyed. The OOD may use his/her discretion on opening and closing the Centre. No water activities will commence unless the centre flag is displayed. This flag will be lowered to signal the close of the day or in any exceptional circumstances to indicate that sailing is suspended. In either case all persons must leave the water.
14. A safety boat must be available for immediate use at all times that members are afloat. Safety boats have Right of Way at all times. Operational procedures for AWSC rescue are detailed in the AWSC Operating Procedures Manual which is available upon request
15. All persons must check the notice board in the foyer before going afloat, for updated safety advice and information
16. Whilst afloat the recognised IRPCS Rules of the Road apply, other than where otherwise stated. All craft must carry third party insurance of a minimum of two million pounds.
17. All dinghy sailors must wear a suitable buoyancy aid or life jacket which must be the correct size for weight ratio and done up according to the maker's instructions. The Centre Manager or OOD may test users own buoyancy equipment and may refuse to allow use of such equipment if it fails reasonable testing undertaken by the Centre Manager or OOD. Sailboarders must wear either a buoyancy aid or harness
18. Craft must carry sufficient integral buoyancy to remain afloat in the event of a capsized.
19. All water users must be aware of the permitted sailing areas and no craft may go beyond the boundaries without prior consent from the OOD (the sailing area includes areas which are not fully visible from Water Watch position – water users must make themselves aware of these areas using the map in the foyer), and be aware of centre opening/closing times.
20. During the summer months (1st May – 30th September) whilst the centre is open and craft are on the water a constant surveillance of the sailing area will be maintained by a nominated member of staff or volunteer on Water Watch duty. Areas of sailing will be designated according to weather conditions, class or numbers of craft afloat. All members are requested to assist the staff if the necessity should arise.
21. For the remaining months Water Watch will be operated when:
 - a. Any hire craft is afloat
 - b. Any person under the age of 18 is afloat
 - c. When training is in progress
22. The above situations will not be permitted unless Water Watch is in operation. At all times the decision is at the discretion of the duty manager
23. When Water Watch is in operation a flag has been raised as stated in the Operating Procedures Manual (available upon request), additionally a plaque with the name of the person on Water Watch will be displayed in the foyer.
24. Suitable clothing is essential. Winter wet suits (minimum 5mm thickness on torso) or dry suits must be worn during the specified winter months (1st November – 31st March).

25. Swimming in any AWSC water is not permitted. Capsizing is an accepted hazard.
26. Children must be kept out of the water along the foreshore especially in the area where sailboards and dinghies are being launched and coming into land.
27. Craft will only launch and land from the slipways and the shoreline between the fences that mark out the AWSC boundary.
28. Cycling is only permitted in car parks.
29. All AWSC buildings are subject to a No Smoking ban.
30. Fishing from craft is not permitted.
31. Canoeing. Use of canoes is allowed within the confines of the sailing area subject to the following British Canoe Union rules: - (1) closed cockpit kayaks must go out in pairs with the ability to do a "buddy rescue" (2) open top canoes may go out singly.
32. Barbecues and fires are not allowed unless specifically authorised by the Centre Manager.
33. Proper supervision of dogs must be maintained and dogs must be kept on a lead at all times
34. AWSC will organise sailing, windsurfing and canoe courses. Refer to AWSC Operating Procedures Manual (available upon request) for Training Course and Child Protection procedures and guidance.

General

35. The Committee reserve the right to alter or amend any rules or fee by posting a notice at the Centre one week prior to this alteration taking effect.
36. The interpretation of the rules is vested in the Alton Water Sports Centre Committee and its decision is final.
37. Users of AWSC are deemed to have given consent for photo's taken by Centre Management, to be used in promotional literature including it's web site and brochures, for the illustration and promotion of the centres activities.
38. Copies of Appendices are available from the Centre Manager

E. Rules and regulations relating to all AWSC Members

General

39. Rules and regulations relating to all AWSC users shall apply to Members
40. Annual membership fees are due on or before the 1st April
41. Members who do not settle by the due date may be subject to a rejoining fee as published from time to time in the Annual Notice of Fees
42. The Committee and Centre Manager reserves the right to withdraw a membership giving notice in writing, at any time. In this instance no refund of fees will be made.
43. Members shall have the right to use AWSC facilities free of charge (excluding hiring, training services, participation of race events, use of dinghy park and use of the Café), to receive AWSC newsletters, to receive invitation to and to attend and the AGM and to put their name forward for election to the committee, subject to being properly proposed and seconded by other qualifying members
44. Member attending the AGM are permitted to vote on matters properly proposed prior to the AGM. Individual and senior citizen members are permitted a total of one vote per proposal. Family membership is allocated a total of two votes per proposal.
45. Members are required as a condition of membership to supply and keep the Centre Management updated as to their home address, current email address and phone number. Failure to keep the Centre Management up dated with current details is deemed a material breach of AWSC rules.
46. Material breach of AWSC rules may render the member liable to immediate expulsion from membership and/or the privileges pertaining to membership.

Dinghy Park

47. Use of the Dinghy Park is only available to Members and is subject to the advance payment of the fee as published in the Annual Notice of Fees
48. The Committee reserve the right to refuse use of the Dinghy Park to a member without requirement to provide explanation
49. Members use the Dinghy Park entirely at their own risk. Centre Management accept no responsibility for damage to or loss of equipment that might occur while using the Dinghy Park
50. Motor vehicles are not permitted within the confines of the compounds.
51. It is the member's responsibility to ensure that craft are securely tethered when not in use. Failure to do so will constitute a material breach of AWSC rules
52. Centre Management have the right to move craft and reallocate storage spaces within the compounds.
53. The Committee reserve the right to impound and if necessary dispose of any craft still in the Dinghy Park after its storage period has expired. The member will be allowed a period of 30 days from expiry date to remove the craft during which time the Centre Manager will endeavour to contact the owner at their last known address. Upon expiry of this period, the craft is liable to be disposed of with any proceeds being used to defray against fees owed and administrative costs incurred by AWSC.
54. The Dinghy Park is intended for the storage of member's craft that are used regularly. Use of the park purely for craft storage is an abuse of the facility. Where no/low usage is suspected, the Centre Manager may without notice to the member, move the craft to the Low Usage Area.
55. Members who's craft are suspected to have been subject to low/no usage, may not be offered use of the Dinghy Park upon annual renewal of membership.
56. Craft stored in the Dinghy Park must be maintained in a fully seaworthy condition. Craft which in the opinion of the Committee are not in a seaworthy condition must be removed from the park within 30 days of the member being given notice to his last known address. Failure to comply may result in the craft being disposed of with any proceeds being used to defray administrative costs incurred by AWSC.

Effective 1st October 2008, Alton Water Sports Centre
