



Bury Lake Young Mariners

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BSUPA Introduction to Paddleboarding Joining Instructions

Thank you for booking on our course at BLYM.

Our clubhouse is at Rickmansworth Aquadrome (satnav postcode WD3 1NB) and you should park in the main Aquadrome Car Park. Please do not drive into the pedestrianised area of the park even if you find the gates open as you may find yourself locked in. Location details can be found at www.blym.org.uk.

Here is a summary of personal items you should bring:

- Wet Suit or clothing to get wet (not jeans or jogging bottoms)
- Water shoes or trainers, these must be closed toe (no sandals/flip flops or crocs)
- A Changing towel or dressing gown (see changing room note below)
- A change of clothes to wear home
- Drink

We provide buoyancy aids and these must be worn whenever you are afloat. If you have your own, you are welcome to use it, provided it meets the current CE standard.

Due to COVID 19 restrictions the changing facilities are temporary closed. We recommend a large changing towel, dressing gown to cover up with afterwards. You can then head straight home or change under the towel. The session is an hour in total and will include games and coaching, you will get wet. Parents & guardians should meet at the gate at the end of the session. Participants must always follow current government distancing requirements.

Do not attend if you are experiencing any signs or symptoms of COVID.

To provide a quality experience we won't run any session with less than 3 participants and currently all sessions have a maximum of 6 persons. This number will be revised as more government and British Canoeing advice is issued. BLYM & their instructors reserve the right to remove anyone from a session without refund or warning if their behaviour does or could cause risk to anyone else's health or BLYM equipment.

If you have special needs or mobility issues, then please notify us in advance & at time of booking so that suitable arrangements can be put in place. We will not always be able to accommodate requests for assistance if there are insufficient staff available to provide adequate safety cover so maximum notice possible would be appreciated.

Young people are not allowed to leave the BLYM compound unless accompanied by a parent or a BLYM instructor team member. If you wish your child to leave unaccompanied at the end of the course please provide a note to this effect.

Please let us know if you are going to be late, or if you unexpectedly have to miss the course, by telephoning BLYM on the day on 01923 772015.

We are really looking forward to welcoming you to BLYM, and we hope that you have an enjoyable time

Yours sincerely

BLYM Course Administrator



Bury Lake Young Mariners
Registered Charity: 1102162 ~ Registered Office
Registered Address: PO BOX 2467, Watford





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Terms & General Information

Those taking courses at BLYM will be either a full family or personal member, or will have paid the non-members price for the course which gives you temporary membership for the duration of the SUP course.

BLYM is a voluntary organisation with charitable status. We are dedicated to the development of young people through the medium of sailing. Over 3,500 young people make use of our facilities each year, as well as many adults who share our aims and ambitions.

BLYM registration terms

Throughout this document, BLYM, Bury Lake Young Mariners, the Club and the Training Centre shall all refer to Bury Lake Young Mariners (Registered Charity no 1102162)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK

It must be recognised that sailing, Kayaking & Paddle boarding are by their nature unpredictable sports and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in a course with BLYM you agree and acknowledge that: (i) You are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and you accept responsibility for exposing yourself to such inherent risk whilst taking part; (ii) You will comply at all times with the instructions of the Instructor particularly with regard to handling of boats, wearing of buoyancy aids and the wearing of suitable clothing for the conditions; (iii) You accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by your own negligence; (iv) You will not participate in the course whilst your ability to participate is impaired by alcohol, drugs or whilst otherwise unfit to participate;

CANCELLATION

In the unlikely event that BLYM cancels a course for operational reasons all payments will be refunded unless alternative dates offered by BLYM to you are acceptable. If a participant cancels a booking 4 weeks or more before the start date their payment will be returned with a deduction of £10.00 to cover administration costs. Alternatively, if there is capacity, a participant can request for a booking to be transferred to a later date at no extra cost. If a participant has to cancel a course within the four weeks prior to the start of the course BLYM will endeavour to fill the place and offer a refund less the administration cost of £10.00. However, if BLYM are not able to fill the cancelled place within seven days of the start date of the course then no refund can be offered. There is no entitlement to a refund once a course or period of membership has commenced. Any requests for refunds must be in writing (or e-mail) to the Course Administrator. BLYM monitors the weather conditions constantly throughout the day. Should the weather conditions become unsuitable for some activities then it may be necessary to alter the planned programme to remain safe and interesting. In such cases, we will sign off as much of the course as possible in your logbook and will offer future dates for you to return to complete your course. Additional days will be charged as taken.

MISCONDUCT

You understand that the Senior Instructor of the day may exclude anyone from a particular session and evict anyone from the premises who refuses to comply with these Registration Terms or who misconducts themselves in any way or who causes damage or annoyance or poses a risk to other persons.

DATA PROTECTION

The information given by you on this form will be used by us to process your registration and for attending to you whilst you are at BLYM. We shall also include your name and address on our mailing list. If you do not want to receive our newsletters and details of our promotions please tick the appropriate box on the booking form.

PHOTOGRAPHY

BLYM may take photographs and video footage of those taking part in any BLYM activity and may use and/or store this media for coaching and /or promotional purposes. If you object to the use of these images





INSURANCE

Our Insurance Company has asked us to make you aware of the following: “BSUPA, British Canoeing/RYA/NSSA Instructors, NSSA Sailing Masters, RYA Senior Instructors or RYA Coaches do not accept responsibility for any loss, damage or injury suffered by persons and/or their property arising out of or during the course of their activities whilst training and/or coaching and/or instructing unless such injury loss or damage was caused by, or resulted from negligence or a deliberate act.” Participants please note that BLYM does not provide insurance cover for personal accident, nor for loss or damage to personal property.

Frequently asked questions

What sort of organisation is BLYM?

We are a voluntary charity dedicated to the development of young people through sailing. All the people who help to run BLYM are volunteers who give generously of their time. The organisation is entirely self funding. BLYM has two essential components: an RYA Training Centre, which delivers our course programme, and a Sailing Club providing an activity programme for members.

What does BLYM offer?

BLYM has a fleet of 100 boats for members to use, and runs a full activity programme throughout the year. We sail on Bury Lake, and from time to time organise expeditions to bigger waters.

Why do I need to be a member?

BLYM is not a commercial organisation, so all participants need to join as a member. We offer annual membership to families and individual adults, temporary membership for those taking our courses, and daily membership for occasional guests of full members. Full members may bring guests for up to three visits; temporary members may not bring guests.

We also offer group membership for schools, Scout and Guide groups, and other youth organisations. Everyone who sails at BLYM needs to be covered by one of these forms of membership.

Am I insured?

BLYM has third party liability insurance for the club and its officers, and the boats and equipment are covered for loss or damage. BLYM does not (and cannot) provide insurance cover for personal accident and property, this must be taken out by the individual if required.

Our insurance company requires us to draw to your attention the following statement: *“BLYM officers, British Canoeing, RYA, BSUPA Instructors, RYA Senior Instructors and RYA Coaches do not accept responsibility for any loss, damage or injury suffered by person and/or their property arising out of and during the course of their activities whilst supervising and/or training and/or coaching and/or instructing unless such injury, loss or damage was caused by or resulted from negligence or deliberate act.”*

And if I have other questions?

Contact details for the club officers can be found at www.blym.org.uk > Contacts. The club house can be contacted on 01923 772015.

