

LSC Club Boats*

Ground Rules

Lancing Sailing Club has two club boats, a Topper (sail number **19176**) and a Laser (sail number **X**), for use by any club member who wants to try sailing these dinghy classes without supervision, assuming you have some basic sailing skills. They can be used in light and moderate wind (max f4), weather and sea conditions only. These dinghies are NOT for use by members who do not want to risk their own dinghy in the conditions on the day! It is not intended that any individual uses these dinghies on a long-term basis, instead of acquiring their own.

Booking – **Adult members** will be asked for a fee of **£5** per session (morning or afternoon). This is not applicable to members in categories Junior, Students or Young Adults.

- Write your name down in the appropriate section on the booking sheet. You can either have the AM session (any time before lunch break) or the PM session. Make sure a committee member countersigns the booking before going afloat.
- You can only book for one session in a day. If you are paying a fee, please place the money in a named envelope in the box in the foyer.
- You can book a dinghy up to one week in advance, or on the day. (Please remember to cancel it if you change your mind)
- Please be considerate to other members, if you took the dinghy out the week before and someone else wants a go, please stand aside. However, if no one else takes it out, go for it; they are there to be used!
- Priority will be given to members who do not have their own dinghy.
- If you have booked a dinghy out and are unsure how you will cope in the wind strength, it is probably a good idea not to go. Any committee member can tell you that you are not to take the boat out if they feel that you might not be able to cope.

Preparation & Rigging

- The club dinghies are kept in the annexe compound (west of the clubhouse).
- Sails, daggerboard and rudder are kept in the annexe hut. Make sure that you use the right equipment. All parts (masts, booms, rudders, centreboards, etc.) are marked with green paint.
- If you are not sure how to rig the dinghy, or are unsure about anything, ask the Fleet captains Isabelle & David, or any experienced Topper or Laser helm.
- Once you have come ashore, wash the boat down, including hull, blocks etc.
- Return the sails, daggerboard and rudder to the annexe hut storage area.
- Return the dinghy to its appropriate rack space and put the cover on, also ensure that the boat is tied down safely.
- It is *your* responsibility to make sure that the boat is put away after sailing.
- If no one has booked the boat out for the afternoon, put it away. Other sailors can always get it out again for the afternoon.
- If any accidental damage is sustained, don't be embarrassed (the dinghies are insured) however we do need to know. Under the booking space there is a box labelled 'Damage', just write down what ever has broken so that we can arrange repairs / replacements. If the damage is serious, please advise a fleet captain or committee member directly.

* N.B. These club dinghies are in addition to the 2 RS Feva youth boats, for which separate booking conditions apply.