



RYA Training Conference

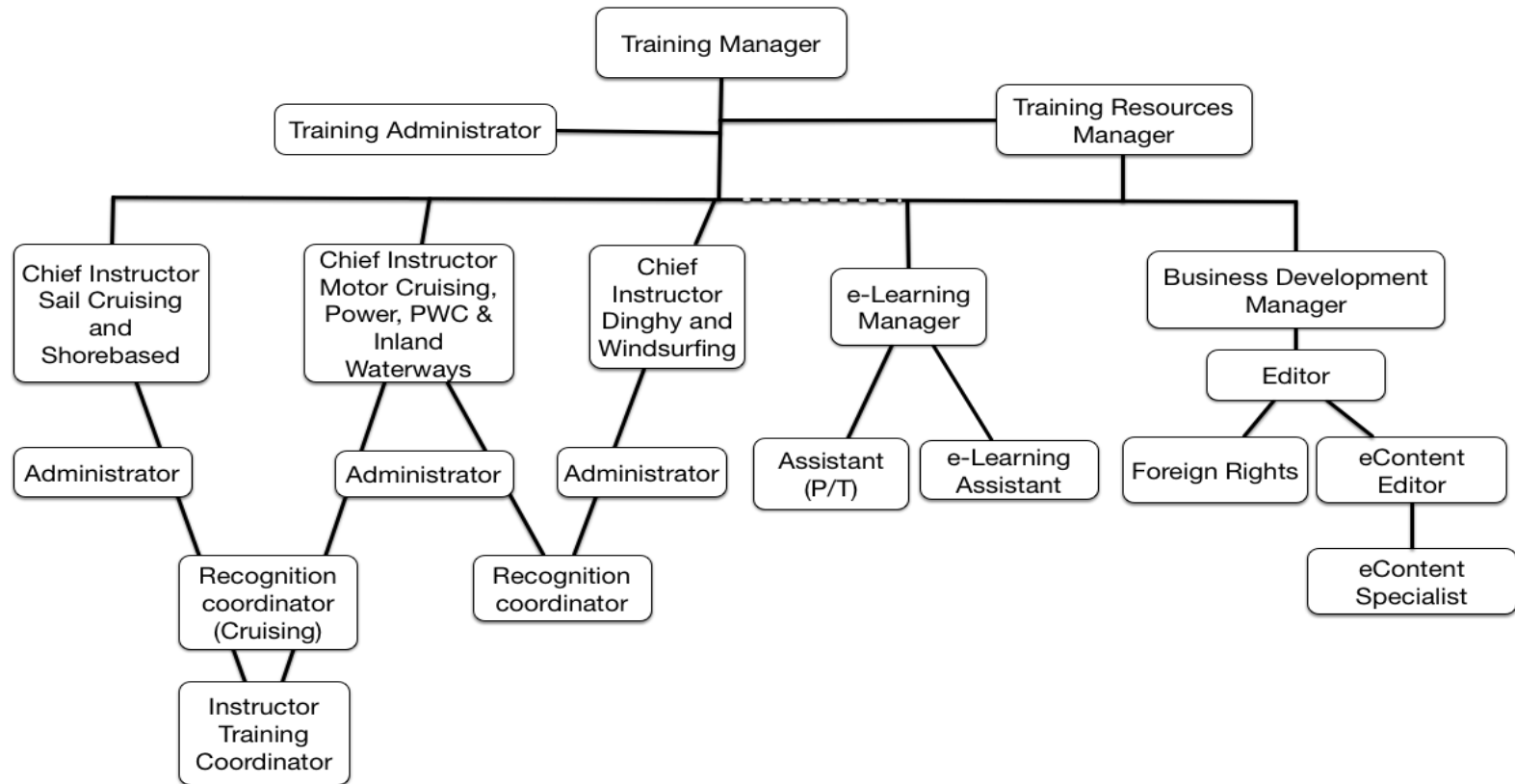


Gallagher Heath

2014



RYA Training and Publications Departments





RYA Training Department Staffing

- Not all full strength 2013 / 14
- Annie Lawler – Long term sick leave (return early 2015)
- Rachel Upton – Maternity leave (return July 2014)
- Covered by Katie Welch
- Beth Jenkins – Maternity leave (from NOW until Jan 2015)
- Covered by Jenny Luke
- Michelle Weston – Maternity leave July 2014



2013

- UK – Yet another tough year for most
- Overseas – Positive growth in many regions
- Boat ownership in UK remains flat
- Sailing participation in UK remains flat

- New RYA RTC's in:
 - Hong Kong, Abu Dhabi, Maldives, Croatia



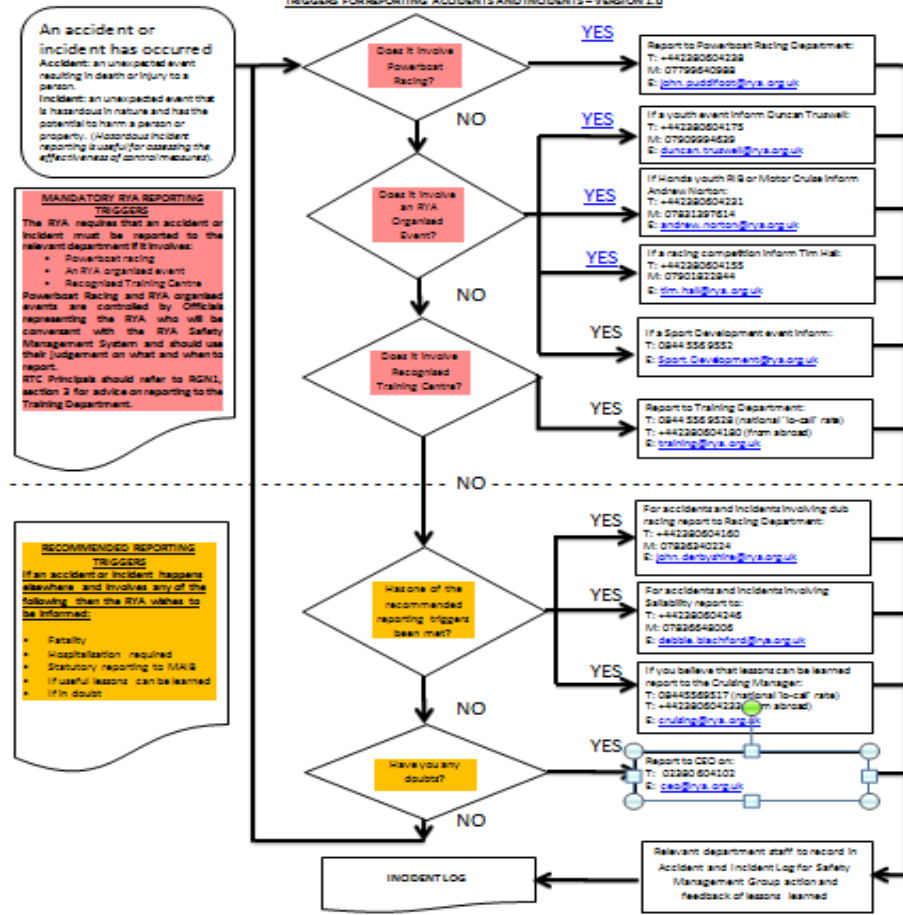
Observations

- Leisure boating in the UK slowly recovering
- Short, modular courses increasing in popularity
- 5 day / 26 week theory courses in traditional format becoming less popular
- Elearning and digital formats growing in popularity
- Brand recognition (and respect) overseas continuing to grow
- RYA Training and qualification for commercial applications continuing to grow



Reporting Triggers Incidents and Accidents

TRIGGERS FOR REPORTING ACCIDENTS AND INCIDENTS - VERSION 1.0



- Positive Actions and next steps by RYA SMC Committee**
 These may include:
- No further action
 - Disciplinary panel
 - Tribunal
 - Suspension of qualifications
 - Suspension of licence
 - RYA investigation
 - MAIB investigation
 - Police investigation
 - Other

- Feedback of lessons learned**
 This might include:
- Amendment to rules
 - Amendment to policies and procedures
 - Further (re) training for staff and volunteers
 - Articles in RYA magazines
 - Articles in newsletters
 - Case study at conferences
 - Emailing of any urgent findings to those concerned
 - Reporting outcomes to the Sport and Recreational Alliance, Sport England, UK Sport, BQA, RYA regions and home countries
 - Proposals for amending ISO standards
 - Communication to the wider boating public through the yachting press



What's missing?

- No safety glasses
- No protective gloves
- Poor posture
- Incorrect foot placement
- **And a good old dose of common sense!**
- **Don't miss the obvious!**





RIB “Milly” Padstow Incident May 2013





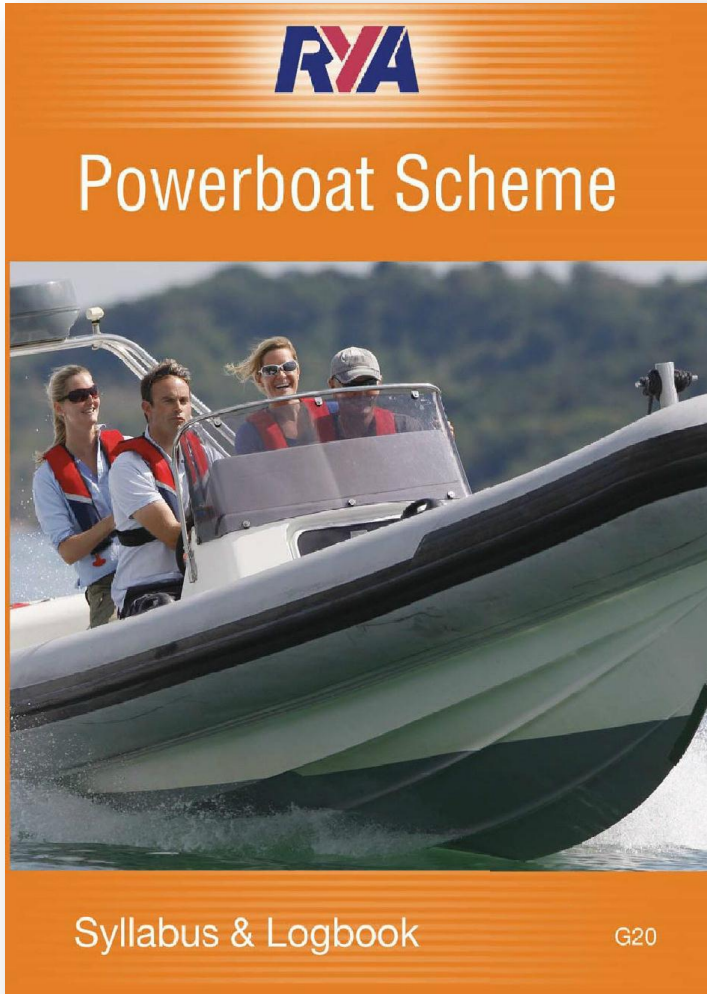
What can we do?

- Tweak publications to better explain hazards and characteristics of more powerful craft - RYA
- Continue to communicate killcord message through kill cord campaign – RYA
- Talk about potential hazards associated with more powerful craft and higher speeds – Instructors
- Ensure ALL students are aware of higher level courses to enhance their skills (Intermediate and Advanced) – Instructors
- Lead by example – Killcord Ambassadors – All!



Publications

Update January 2014



Print editions only





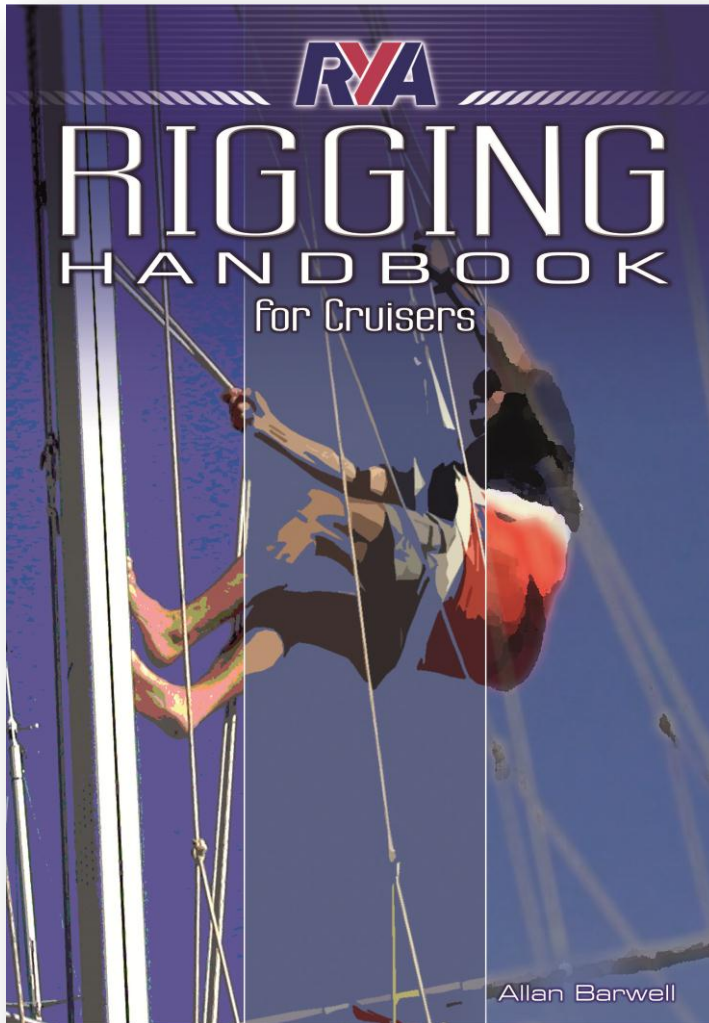
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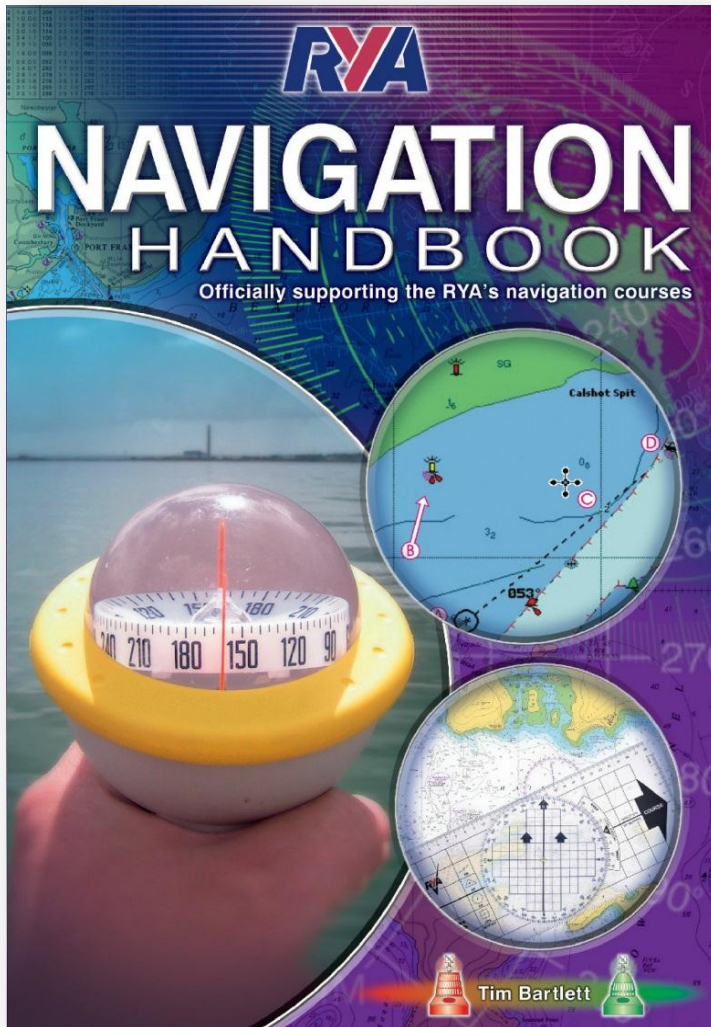


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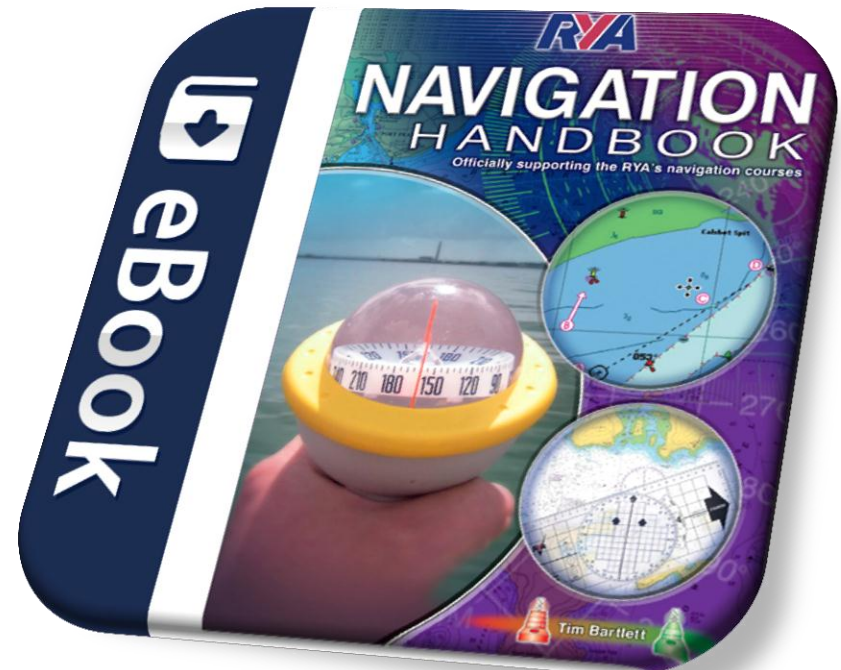


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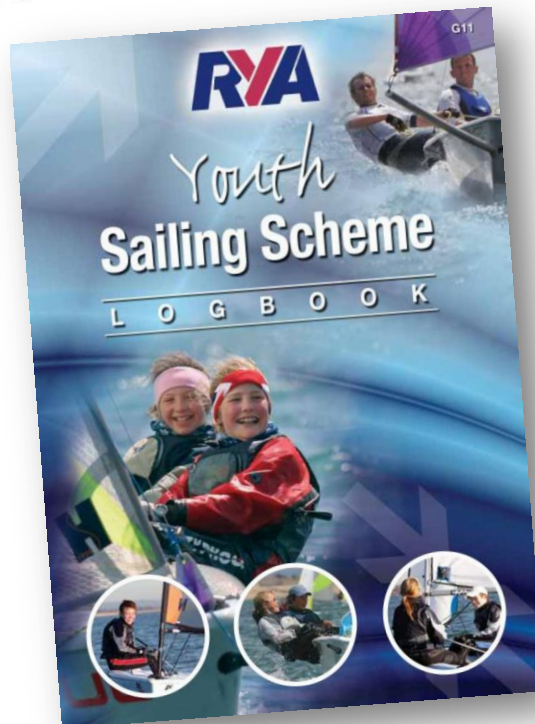
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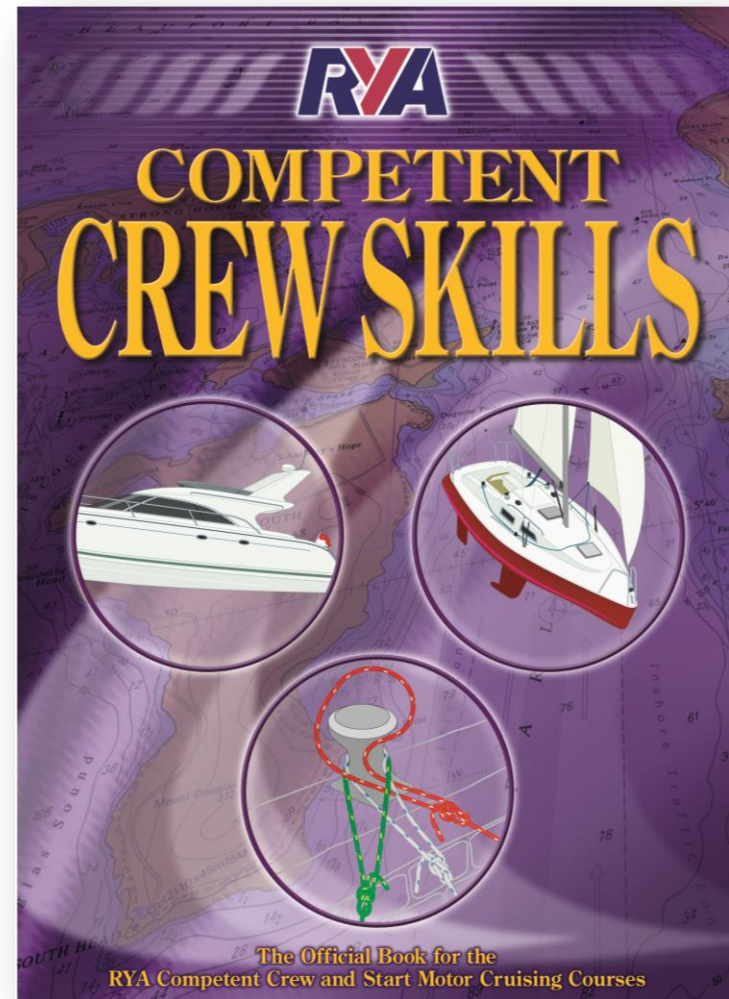
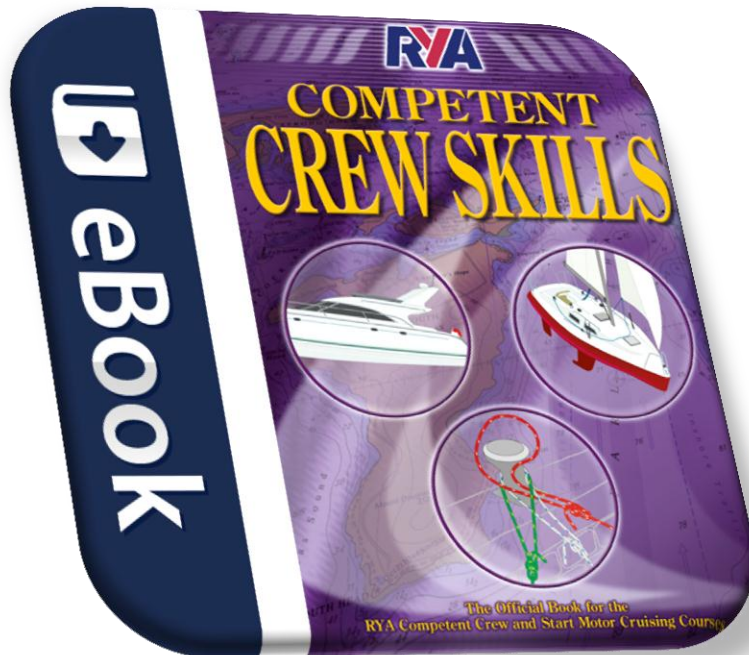
Print editions only for
syllabus and logbooks
- due March





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due March





Have you got your ROM2 instructor slides?



Tidal heights **Standard Ports**

...and draw a line between them

MEAN RANGES
 Springs 4.9m
 Neaps 2.4m

Springs occur two days after new and full moons

3	0043	5.5
TH	0643	1.0
	1301	5.7
	1920	0.8

Tidal Streams

Tidal diamond from chart

What is the strength and direction of the tide at diamond B one hour before HW Victoria?

neap rate (kn)

time (-1 hour)

Hours	1	0	0	6
Before High Water	158	153	159	154
	155	155	155	155
High Water	173	173	173	173
After High Water	176	176	176	176
	349	341	338	342
	341	337	342	341
	341	338	341	341
	341	338	341	341
	355	355	355	355

Stability

Stability = boat weight (force) × distance) = righting moment)

Not available online – phone our orders line 0844 556 9518



EBooks





EBook range

20 eBooks Currently available:

We aim to have 27 eBooks by end of February 2014



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- Easy to access
- Categorised by discipline

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 One of the great things about being on the water is that you never stop learning. The RYA is a leading maritime publisher, with more than 110 books, DVD and multimedia titles on its current list relating to all matters marine from 'get started' books, books for children to more advanced pilotage, weather books and more. Our publications are highly regarded internationally and RYA titles have been translated into more than a dozen foreign languages.

Sail Racing

- Racing Rules explained - Rule 10 & 11 - RYA Handy Guide t... by Royal Yachting Association (1:03)
- Racing Rules explained - Rule 10 - Port and Starboard - RYA... by Royal Yachting Association (0:55)
- RYA Handy Guide to the Racing Rules E-book demo with Chr... by Royal Yachting Association (2:20)
- Dinghy Racing Tactics - Leeward Mark - Gybe Drop - R... by Royal Yachting Association (0:54)
- RYA Racing Rules and Cases 2013-2016 launch at the RYA... by Royal Yachting Association (3:11)

Free content you can link to or even embed on your website



This Year, We're Working On:

- Continuing with updates to print editions
- Increasing the eBook portfolio
- Online ordering system for account holders
- Improving 'Books for Courses' information
- Investigating digital packs



Keeping ahead of the times

- Elearning
 - - CEVNI Test
 - - Essential Nav and Seamanship
 - - PPR Course
 - - SRC Course
 - - Watch this space.....
- Digital Publications
 - - 20 publications to date
 - - 85 to go.....



New Courses, developments and updates

- SRC – Online course (live for 2 weeks)
- Now 3 major Elearning courses
- More Elearning products in development – particularly for instructors
- New Cruising Instructor Course format
- 20 RYA Ebooks now available



**Thanks for your continued
involvement in and support of the
greatest scheme of its type in the
world!**





Rachel Andrews



RYA TIME TO THINK... SAFETY

Wearing a kill cord can prevent serious injury or death. Display these stickers on your boat, console or outboard to remind the helm to always wear a kill cord.



Small, open powerboats should be fitted with a kill cord, which if used correctly, will stop the engine if the driver becomes dislodged from the helm position.

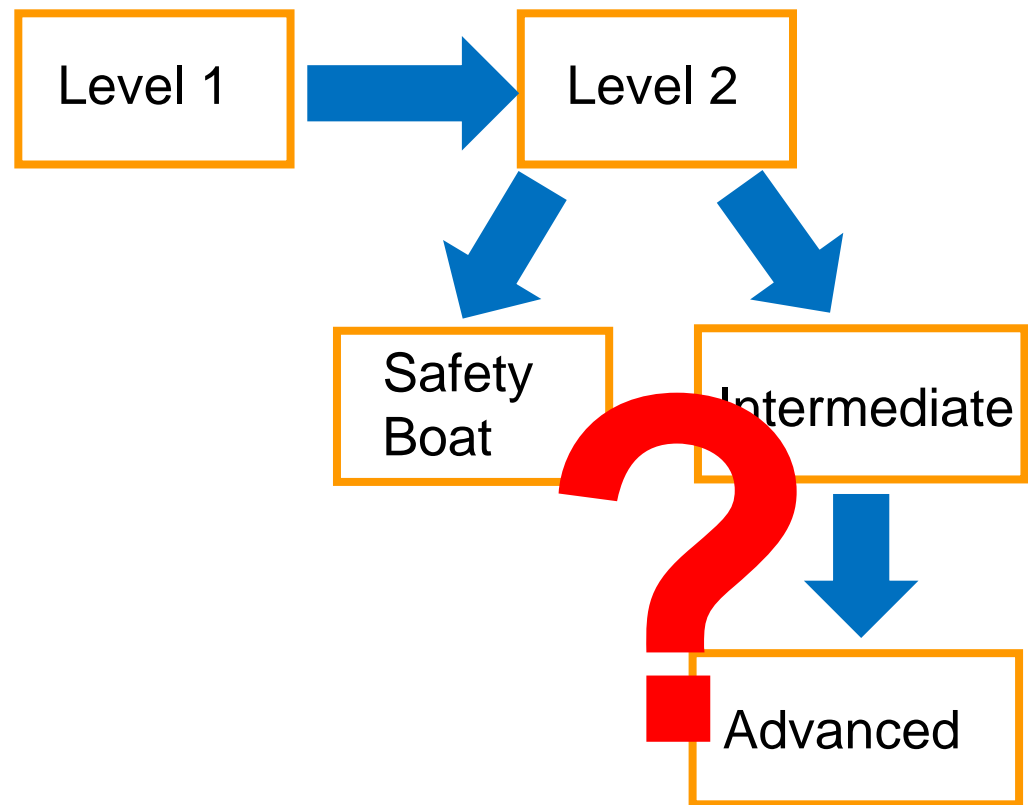
Clip on, cast off...
For more information visit:
www.rya.org.uk/go/killcord

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Progression through the scheme



- Signpost to further learning
- Agree a fee for referrals?



MAIB RIB Milly report recommendations

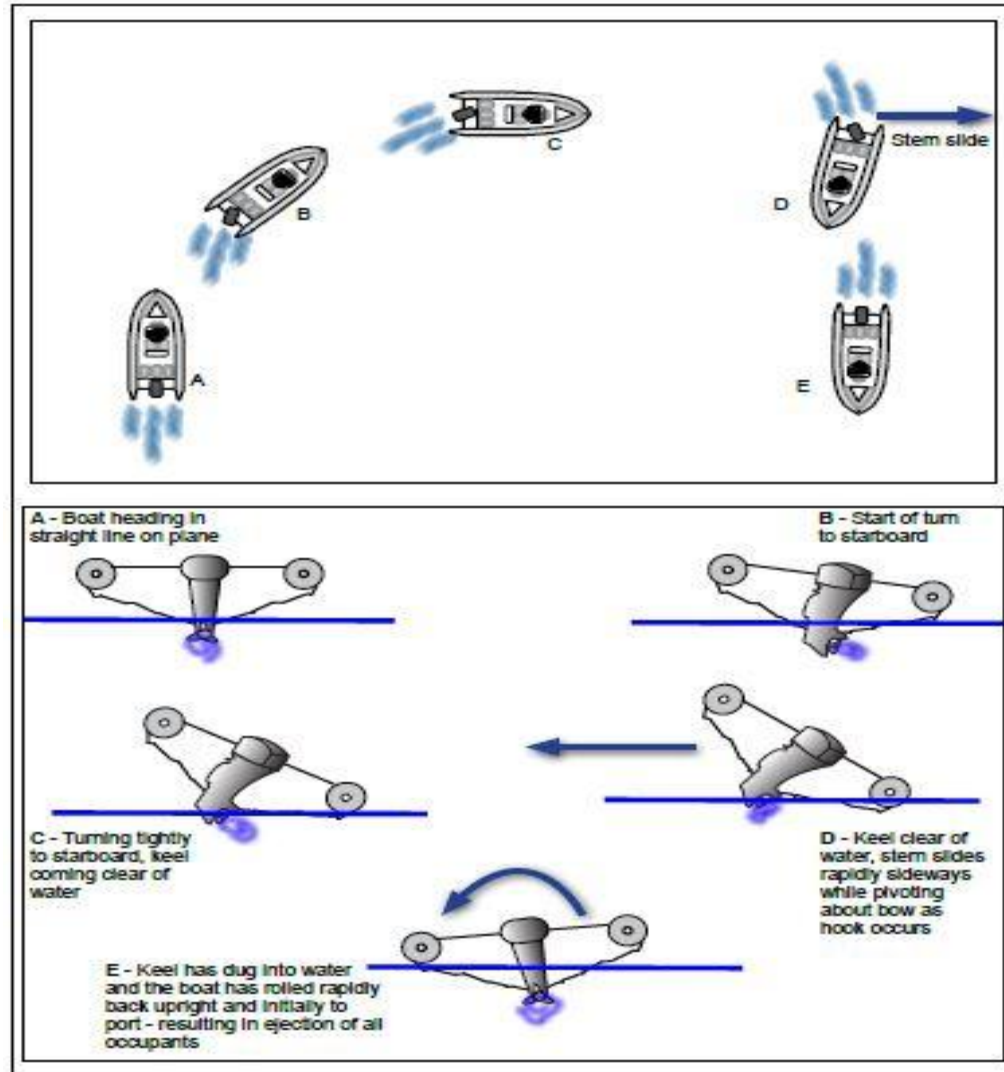
The Royal Yachting Association is recommended to:

Revise the powerboat scheme content and delivery to ensure that **more extensive guidance** is made available to powerboat drivers covering the additional **hazards presented by high powered craft** and operations at high speed, and the measures that should be taken to mitigate these risks for passengers and crew. Specific guidance should be provided on the **hazard of hooking, and the importance of appropriate seating and handholds when travelling at speed.**



Milly Report

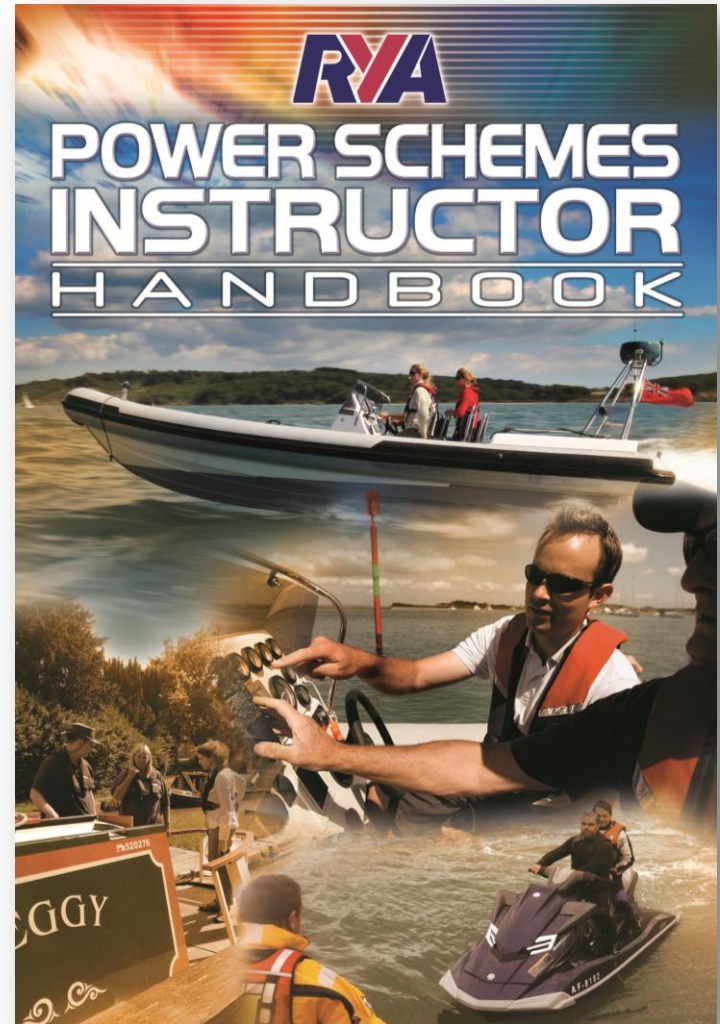
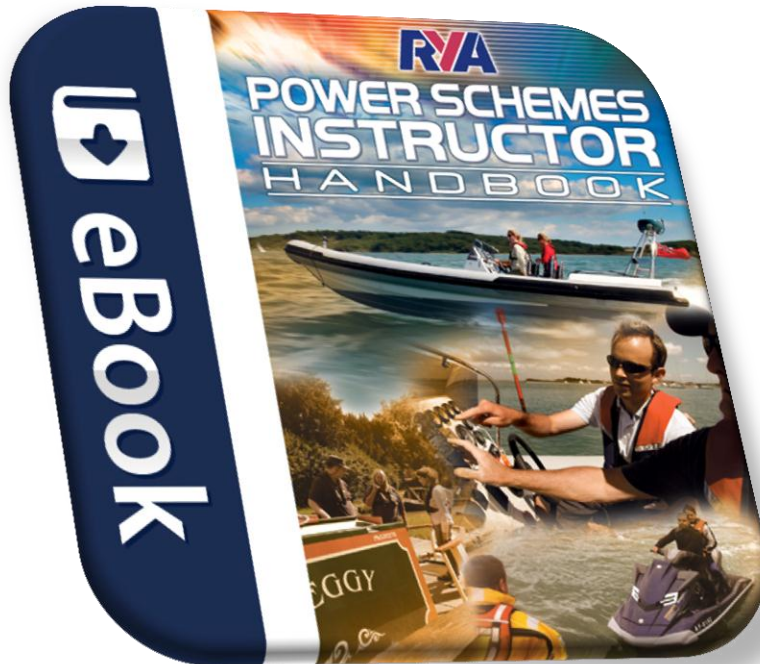
- Hull shapes
- Seating
- Kill cord





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due September





Personal Watercraft

- Manufacturer offers net to dealer price to RTCs on one new machine
- Stand-up PWs





Change to instructor training

Improved resources

IWHC course duration



SRC (Short Range Certificate) Options



- Tuition
- 1. 10 hours of classroom tuition
- 2. The 10 hours can be up to 3 Hours homework followed by 7 hrs classroom
- 3. An on line course, created by us, delivered and sold by you.
- Followed by an exam in a classroom.



Combined Guidance Notes

RYA Recognition Guidance Notes

Version 1: 1 February 2013
Version 2

For all RYA Recognised Training Centres

RYA Centre Inspection Report

Centres should complete all shaded sections prior to inspection. Please use the Recognition Guidance notes and Training Checklists in conjunction with this report

Region	Water - Inland / coastal			
Additional operating sites (not cruising or overseas)	(Yes/No)			
1	(Yes/No)			
2	(Yes/No)			
3	(Yes/No)			
Country				
Centre Tel	Centre Email			
Principal's Tel	Principal's Email			
City	Class of boat	City		
Age	City	Rig type	Age	City
LOA	Engine make & HP	Commercial cert details (if applicable) e.g. category, expiry date, cert authority		
Model & Length		Commercial cert details (if applicable) e.g. category, expiry date, cert authority		
Boat Safety certificate	Expiry date			

ITEMS REQUIRING ATTENTION SHOULD BE LISTED ON AN ACTION PLAN

Database updated
RC checked
C checked
S checked
Inspected prior to
per use only

RYA Training Checklist – Cruising

RYA Training Checklist – Cruising

Centres used for RYA training must comply with these requirements plus the equipment requirements or Code of their flag state and/or country of operation. RTCs should ensure this form is completed before an RYA inspection. The RYA Inspector will use your completed checklist to spot-check items onboard.

Ref	Item	Check
M	Positive catches on lockers	
N	Radar reflector type (BS 7380 or ISO 8729) See also MGN 345	
O	Towing warp. Kedge warp can be used as towing line	
P	Bilge pumps (Stump box fitted)	
Q	2 x buckets with lanyards	
R	Emergency steering (wheel only)	
S	Spare water (2 litres per person)	
T	Boarding ladder or net – lowest slip 600mm below waterline	
U	Fenders and warps	
2.3.7	V Stormsails • Trisail or 60% main • Storm jib	
X	Shore power lead satisfactory condition	
Y	Engine compartment (only diesel engines permitted) • Engine compartment clean • Fuel cut off outside engine space • Sea cools piping fire resistant • Oil drip tray or containment • Bilge alarm fitted (M)	
Z	Engine compartments, impeller, tool kit	
AA	Batteries and electrics • Independent engine battery or hand start • Batteries secure and ventilated	
2.3.13	AB Galley • Food hygiene guidelines on board • Food storage and preparation areas hygienic • Cooking and eating utensils clean • Cooker gimball lockable (S) • Remote gas tap • Flame failure on all burners • Fire blanket for galley • Gas pipe (visual check) • Gas emergency action card • Functioning gas detector (alarm)	

RYA Training Checklist – Windsurfing

RYA Training Checklist – Windsurfing

Centres used for RYA training must comply with these requirements plus the equipment requirements of the country of operation.

Ref	Item	Check
A	Lifthaul* • Lifthaul* fitted to all rigs	
B	Downhaul / Outhaul ropes • A Unkinked • B Suitable diameter for fitting used	
C	Board and Rig Joint (RJ) • A Five foot wear • B Quick release should be capable of being performed by student whilst aloft	
D	Simulator (Basic) • A Stable, low, well dampened • B Securely attached • C Positioned so students will not injure themselves or others should they fall off	
E	Recognition Above Start Windsurfing • A Harness lines or boom in sound condition (if fitted) • B Range of harnesses in suitable sizes	
F	Start Simulator for Teaching Sides • A Board representative of type used and: • Positioned securely • Harness rig attached • Gate and in good condition • Adjustable for difference wind strengths / student size • C Positioned so students will not injure themselves or others should they fall off	



Inspections

- RYA Training
 - Course length
 - Correct advertising
- Recognition levels
 - Equipment
 - Instructor Qualifications



Instructor Training

First Aid

Membership

Health

Declaration

Conduct



RYA NATIONAL WINDSURFING SCHEME RECORD CARD

Surname _____

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms _____ Forename(s) _____

Address _____

Postcode _____

Tel (day) _____ Tel (eve) _____

Mobile _____ Date of birth ____/____/____ Age _____

Email _____

RYA Membership Number _____ Region _____



It is a requirement for all new and updating instructors to be members of the RYA. If you are not currently a member, please complete and enclose your RYA Membership Application. If you are an overseas instructor, evidence of membership of the National Governing Body for your boating activity in your country of residence is acceptable in order for you to qualify as an RYA instructor. Membership application enclosed

Usual Training Centre _____

Health declaration: I declare that I am not suffering from any physical or mental impairment which has an adverse effect on my ability to properly discharge my duty of care as an instructor. I undertake to inform the RYA if this changes and agree to submit to a medical examination if requested by the RYA.

RYA Instructor Code of Conduct: I have read and agree to abide by the RYA Instructor Code of Conduct (Ref applicable RYA Instructor Handbook). I acknowledge that failing to abide by the RYA Instructor Code of Conduct, or otherwise engaging in behaviour that falls below the standard expected of an RYA instructor or risks bringing the RYA into disrepute, may result in the withdrawal of my RYA instructor qualifications."

Signed _____ Date ____/____/____

As an Instructor the RYA and your Regional Coach will send you notices and newsletters from time to time, but will not release the details contained on this card to third parties without your consent. If at any time you wish to stop receiving these mailings please contact RYA Training.

FastTrack Service - For a small additional charge we can guarantee a 2 working day turnaround from the date we receive your record card. If you require this service, please clearly mark your record card with "FAST TRACK" and include £15.00 if you are a Standard RYA member and £10.00 if you are a Gold RYA member

How to be a Coach, Trainer or Instructor



DINGHY COACH/ASSESSORS
Training the instructors who teach the National Sailing Scheme



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RACE COACHES
Advice for anyone wanting to become a racing coach

RYA Instructor Code of Conduct

FOR RYA INSTRUCTORS, COACH ASSESSORS, TRAINERS AND EXAMINERS
This is the code of conduct under which all holders of RYA instructor qualifications and RYA training appointments are required to comply.

Take a Course near you!

Type: All
Course: All
Location: Near...
Country: All
Show only training centres which:
 offer RYA Interactive courses
 offer Distance Learning courses
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Our handy guide shows the books & DVDs that go with your course!

Select your course **GO**

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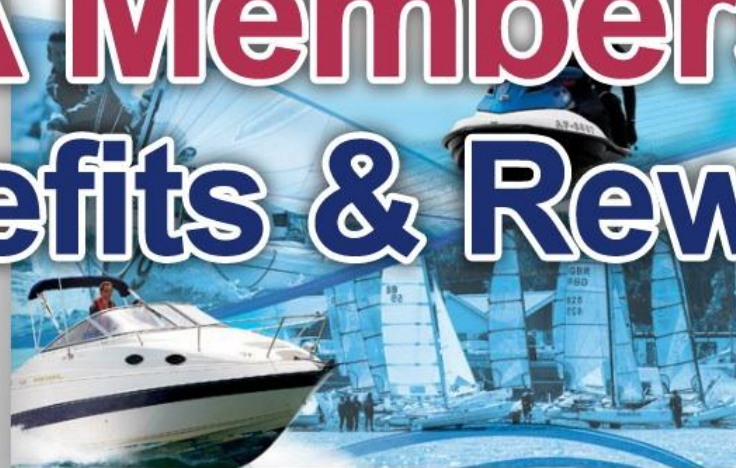
All the reasons to join
JOIN ONLINE NOW





MEMBERSHIP
**Benefits
& Rewards**

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Communication with Instructors

- www.rya.org.uk/coursestraining/resources
- Wavelength
- Facebook  *RYA Training*
- Twitter  *@rya_training*
- Webinars



Amanda Van Santen



AAIA Update

- No Change in Licence Requirement
- No proposed date
- Scotland: Retaining Statutory Regime
- Wales: Wish to retain Statutory Regime

- Industry Registers
 - Skills Active
 - KADDI



DBS (previously CRB) Update Service

- Avoids the need to apply for multiple checks for different centres, or repeat checks at the same centre
- When you apply for a DBS Disclosure, you can join the Update Service between the date your form is logged at the DBS and 2 weeks after your certificate is issued
- You register online and renew annually, £13 pa if in paid position, free for volunteers
- <https://www.gov.uk/dbs-update-service>



DBS Update Service

- The next time you are asked for a DBS check, the centre will need to see your original certificate
- The centre can go online using your certificate number and date of birth and check whether any new information has been added to your record since the certificate was issued
- If not, there is no need to fill in another form
- If something has been added, no details will appear online, you will have to apply for a new Disclosure



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Share your ideas

Document	Description
Children's games	Ideas for games to help teach dinghy sailing skills
Short guide to questioning	Questioning techniques from the RYA Racing Department
Guide to running practical sessions	General principals for running practical sessions
Sailor Clinic Improver Cards	Cards providing inspiration and instruction on running dinghy improver clinics
Sailor Clinic Racing Cards	Cards providing inspraion and instruction on running dinghy racing clinics

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- Coach/Trainer Updates
- Development Days
- Regional Training Days
- Regional Conferences



Duke of Edinburgh

- For 14 to 24 year olds
- Bronze, Silver and Gold
- Physical, Skill, Volunteering, Expedition (Residential – GOLD!)
- Compliments all RYA Activity
 - Theory
 - Practical





Learning from others.....

- **Sedburgh School CCF**
 - **Dinghy Expedition**
- **Scottish National Centre, Cumbrae**
 - **Yachting expeditions as an AAP**
- **ASA Windsurfing**
 - **Physical and skill**
- **Rutland Sailability**
 - **Volunteers at regattas**
- **RYA Zone Squad**
 - **Skill**



Wider promotional opportunities...

60 **Yachting Life** October 2013

WHEN Kings School arrived for this year's week long residential course at Cumbrae the students enjoyed a full itinerary, including Duke of Edinburgh awards, Powerboat level 2 certificates and a range of watersports pursuits. One young sailor, Dougie Naismith, gives us an insight to his Silver expedition cruise:

Our group was taken over to Largs Yacht Haven by powerboat where our yachtmaster instructor Dan Smith welcomed us aboard Somerled. Once all briefed and our kit stowed we went for a shakedown sail to Ballochmartin Bay and around Cumbrae before returning to the marina for the night. Good sailing was enjoyed, making speeds of 6 knots. Instruments were duly explained involving shallow water examples identifying how the depth gauge works from the keel!

The next day was an exhilarating 17 mile sail to Arran on the 37ft Salona. Lunch was taken at anchor in the shelter of Brodick castle. The consequence of the brightening weather was that the majority of the crew took a swim, perhaps a rarity on the west coast of Scotland? Fishing followed with hand lines and mackerel feathers. We caught 13 mackerel in five minutes which was quite a score. Pan fired they made a fine supplement to the planned



Kings And Dukes At Cumbrae

pasta bake for the evening meal.

The third day at sea started with a fine breakfast of egg and bacon baps fabricated by the genoa watch team. A passage plan for the West Kyle had been agreed with lunch at Tighnabraich or Caladh. However, sailing out of Lamlash and out of the lee of the Holy Island the real weather was a north westerly F5.

This direction would have involved beating to windward and doubling the distance to be sailed.

In the frantic minutes where the genoa was furled and the main reefed, a 12ft basking shark was observed to be in company with Somerled. Obviously the noise of panic from a crew with an over pressed yacht encouraged the leviathan to move on.

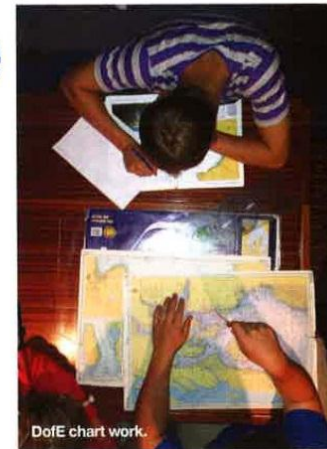
Lunch at Caladh harbour was deferred to another occasion and a course was laid to Glencallum Bay on the southern tip of Bute. On a beam reach rather than a

beat the yacht fairly flew. The domestics put together a hearty lunch of soup and rolls whilst the two Dons created a makeshift dive board for our very own 'Tom Daley' (Dan Trueman) who impressed us all with his spectacular dives whilst terrifying any marine creatures within acoustic range!

On passage back to Largs the group rounded Little Cumbrae where those of a higher emotional sensitivity pondered past ages evidenced by old lighthouses, abandoned ships and square keeps. Somerled was anchored in the lee of the island on the east side.

Here both watches worked on a series of navigational problems combining charts and electronic devices and prepared the course to clear rocks and island to approach Millport.

This was duly accomplished and Somerled headed for her berth in Largs Yacht Haven. On arrival, genoa watch went off to interview a local fisherman in advance of the group meeting with Kevin their DofE assessor.



DofE chart work.

The presentation that evening went well and after an hour of question and answer everyone was officially informed that they had passed their DofE Silver. To celebrate the crew headed to a local emporium to purchase a vast number of fizzy drinks.

Log entry 20:30 - We have passed our Silver award! Thanks to Somerled, Dan, sportscotland Cumbrae and of course.....Prince Philip. Logged by Dougie Naismith, Year 11, Kings school, Macclesfield.



DofE Courses

- **Assessors course**
 - RYA Senior Instructor or above
 - RYA House
 - 20th March

Contact: Dawn.seymour@rya.org.uk



Participation

- Achievement!!
- Statistics
- How many **are** we introducing to our sport?
- **THEY ARE FREE!!!!**
- Youth and Adult

DINGHY SAILING Taster Certificate

This is to certify that _____

has tried dinghy sailing and performed safely and confidently in accordance with the RYA Youth Sailing Scheme.

DATE _____

CENTRE _____

Signed on behalf of the RYA

Sarah Ayton
Sarah Ayton
Olympic Gold Medallist
Beijing 2008

Photographer: Peter Bentley



Dinghy

Publications have been having a make over!

G11

- Inspirational and appealing
- Take a challenge
- Accompanying material

G4

- Bite size learning
- Modular



Introduction

The RYA Youth Sailing Scheme provides an enjoyable and progressive way to learn to sail. Each certificated course provides an opportunity to recognise your achievements.

Your instructor will sign off each skill as you complete it. Once completed, an RYA certificate will be issued, showing your significant achievement. Your certificate can be of use in contributing to other areas of your study or activities, such as PE, in school, or the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme.

The RYA Youth Sailing Scheme is usually completed in small dinghies suitable for your size. However, it can also be completed in keelboats and multihulls with some changes to the syllabus and course, e.g. no capsiz drill in keelboats.



RYA YOUTH SAILING SCHEME LOGBOOK

You can learn to sail well very quickly, provided the equipment is right for you and the challenge suitable. There is provision for guidance and help within the RYA Youth Sailing Scheme, depending on the conditions and what you have to do. In general, you may receive physical help with any part of the syllabus when more strength is required, e.g. on a steep and slippery slipway.

Make sure you can perform all the skills in one course before tackling the next one; otherwise you may waste time relearning skills, or even fail to complete all of the new course.

In this logbook 'With instruction' means 'Can perform the task, with a briefing for the conditions, and physical assistance if necessary.'

Courses in the RYA Youth Sailing Scheme are of a minimum length of two days or an equivalent series of sessions. They may be run over a longer period, especially if you have not sailed since your last course. Sailing is a sport that gets better with practice, and you should try to sail between courses whenever possible. Practice makes perfect!

Sailors who are unable to complete parts of the syllabus due to a disability may still receive a certificate, endorsed as necessary, e.g. 'Needs assistance with capsiz drill'.

Take a challenge



'TAKE A CHALLENGE AND LOG YOUR RESULTS'

At the end of each stage, and not part of the main course or certificate, are some fun things for you to try. Get your instructor to sign the book to say you have completed them!

Each 'Take a Challenge' is designed to improve your skills and techniques in all aspects of sailing by just being out on the water and having fun!



Following completion of Stage 4, you can further develop your skills through the five Advanced Modules. You may choose any module according to the area of sailing that interests you: Start Racing, Day Sailing, Seamanship Skills or Performance Sailing... the choice is yours! Details of these modules are also available in RYA publication G4, the RYA National Sailing Scheme Syllabus & Logbook.



Youth Sailing SCHEME

Stage 1

OB

I've got OnBoard!

Completing Stage 1 will give me a basic understanding of how a boat sails, and some experience of steering and handling

I can put my own buoyancy aid on

I can assist with rigging and launching

I can tie a Figure of Eight knot and cleat a halyard

I can sail across the wind

Place sticker here

Stage 2

Completing Stage 2 will give me a range of sailing skills and background knowledge, and help make me a confident sailor!

I can now rig my own boat

I can tack around

I can stop and control speed

I have learnt to capsizes!

I know what the No Go Zone is!

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THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD

> Are you aged between 14 to 24 and fancy challenging yourself?

The RYA is recognised as a National Operating Authority for The Duke of Edinburgh's Award (DofE). The DofE is a voluntary, non-competitive programme of activities for anyone aged 14 to 24, providing a fantastic opportunity to experience new activities or develop existing skills.

There are three progressive levels of programmes that, when successfully completed, lead to a Bronze, Silver or Gold Award.

Sailing as part of your DofE

Achieving a DofE Award can be made an adventure from beginning to end. Within an RYA club or training centre there are already many activities you could take part in that can count towards your DofE. These could range from:

Volunteering

Helping out at your local training centre, club or Team15 night on a regular basis. This could be as an assistant, in the kitchen or maybe even on the committee!

Physical

Regularly taking part in sailing or windsurfing activity? Why not set yourself a goal to gain a certain certificate in the RYA National Sailing or Windsurfing scheme, or maybe participate in regular club racing?

Skill

All about developing your skills, whether practical, social or personal. You may choose to sharpen up your powerboating, learn a new skill such as boat repair work, become an instructor or perhaps increase your theory knowledge and learn all about meteorology!

Residential and Expedition

You may never have been away from home before, let alone used your board or boat to go on an exciting adventure with friends, so now is the time!

Further information can be found, explaining the opportunities available, on the DofE website www.dofe.org, and the RYA website www.rya.org.uk/go/dofe.



Windsurfing

- Youth Scheme accompaniments
- Work with the wider Industry
- Racing Department 'Team 15 Review'
 - Watch this space.....



ANY QUESTIONS.....