

Joining instructions for Junior Week, Tuesday 19th – Saturday 23rd August 2025

Welcome to Wilsonian Sailing Club's annual Junior Week. We hope these joining instructions provide all the information you need, if not, please don't hesitate to contact Julie juniorweek@wilsoniansc.org.uk

Booking

Places are confirmed once online application, membership and full payment are completed, which must be by the closing date, Friday 8th August 2025.

A deposit is required on application to reserve a place, then you can pay instalments or the full balance.

Payment by BACS: account 80912816 sort code 20-25-42, reference please quote 'JW' (Junior week) followed by your Junior's name. Alternatively, you can pay by card in the clubhouse.

Communications

Official club communications will be by email. We also have an optional WhatsApp group for Juniors and parents who wish to join, to chat and share photos and videos of the event etc. WhatsApp is also used for on the day updates. Please indicate on your application whether you wish to join the WhatsApp group.

Juniors

This training is for Junior full or provisional members, aged 5 (subject to sailing experience) to 17. Sailors aged 18 are permitted when their birthdays are between 1st January and 31st August 2025 inclusive.

You can use your own boat or a club boat (free of charge, subject to availability). Own boats must have adequate insurance, including 'other helmsman'.

Suitable water sports clothing is required. We do have a limited supply we can loan, (free of charge, subject to availability). Please prepare for all weather, it can often be colder on the river than it is on land.

A parent, guardian, or in-loco parentis, must be on site to supervise your Junior at all times.

Tuesday to Friday

Please arrive in good time for the daily briefing at 09:45 (10:30 on the first day).

Juniors are allocated into groups according to age and ability. On the first day, please bring with you their RYA log book if they have previously completed any of the Youth Scheme stages.

More info on youth scheme here → [RYA Dinghy Sailing Training | Adult and youth courses](#)

The days will include onshore and on the water training and coaching, with qualified instructors and coaches. All activities are dependent on the weather conditions.

There will be a break for lunch and their training day will finish at approximately 16:00, followed by debrief and then evening meal. Changing rooms and showers are available.

Saturday Regatta

Junior Regatta is a day of racing for all Juniors who have participated in the week, or paid the daily fee. The timings for the Junior Regatta are to be confirmed. There will be different courses suitable for all levels, it's a great way to practice all the skills the Juniors have learnt in the week, so don't be put off having a go!

After the Regatta, we can all help pack away, clear the changing rooms and tidy up, whilst the scores from the Regatta come in. There will be a BBQ and then the final awards and prizegiving.

Social Evenings

We often have fun games and events on some evenings. This will be communicated nearer the time. It's good for the Juniors to relax together and have some fun, but we appreciate this can make it a very long day for the younger Juniors, so the evenings are completely optional.

Costs

The cost for the week is £160 for Junior members / £170 Junior non-members (includes a Provisional Junior Week membership of £10 for the week).

We have an optional daily rate, if you can't attend all week, at £35 per day for members / £40 per day non-members.

A deposit of £40 is required on booking to reserve a place.

Price includes RYA Youth Sailing Scheme log book (if required), certification, boat and kit loan where applicable, week day refreshments, cordials, lunch and evening meal for Juniors, Saturday refreshments and BBQ for Juniors.

Refreshments

The Galley and bar will be open to buy refreshments throughout the day.

For guests, Tuesday to Friday: Lunch £6.00 adults, £4 child. Dinner £6.50 adult, £4.00 child. A meal deal is available adults at just £10 per person per day and will include lunch, dinner, tea, coffee and cordials.

Saturday, the BBQ will be £7 adults, £5 children.

Meals need to be pre ordered and paid for by 2pm the day before with dietary and allergen requirements. If lunch and dinner are required on the Tuesday (first day) please let us know prior via email or speak to Emma and Kerry from the Galley. Payment is by cash or card.

Membership

Non-members shall apply for provisional Junior Week membership, costing £10 for the Junior Week. All supervising Parent/Guardian adults need to be listed on the membership form. Guardian membership is free. All new and provisional memberships must be applied for at the time of event online application, send copies to junioreweek@wilsoniansc.org.uk and bring originals on the first day.

During the week, non-member family and friends are welcome to visit the club, enjoy the facilities and watch the sailing, but will need to 'sign in' the guest book.

Everyone helps!

The week is kindly supported by volunteers who give their time to coach, crew safety boats, organise, and manage the galley. Please let us know if you have RYA qualifications and can help on the water!

To support the event, parents/guardians help too - one parent/guardian will help for one whole day (for each of your Juniors) in the galley. This includes preparing food in the morning, cooking, serving and you will finish after the evening meal is cleaned away. Please give first / second choice of dates on application.

Keen cooks are encouraged to make cakes for the BBQ night. Please let us know if you can help!

When the children are launching or returning to shore, parents are asked to help with trolleys please.

Housekeeping

The approach road is our landlord's driveway and we'd be grateful if you would observe the speed limit and avoid passing on the track / driving on the grass.

Dogs are not permitted in the clubhouse and must be kept on leads whilst on club premises and any fouling must be cleaned up.

If you have used a club boat, please help your child to ensure it is cleaned properly and packed away at the end of the day. Please report any damage immediately so we can keep the boats in good order.

On Saturday, whilst waiting for regatta results and BBQ, please pack your kit and remove it from the changing rooms. Every year we have lots of lost property and this will help us reunite owners with kit more quickly! We also need help at this time to pack everything away and tidy up.

Please place rubbish in the correct bins – green for recycling, blue for glass, or black for general rubbish.

Changing rooms are small, please help your Junior to keep kit together and off the floor. They can also become wet and muddy, we appreciate parents helping by mopping throughout the day.

No smoking on site. Smoking area is on the beach on the right launching slip (away from Juniors please).

Safeguarding

Wilsonian Sailing Club safeguarding policy is available on our website. Adults are asked to avoid the use of changing rooms / toilets when children are changing. During this time, we ask that parents use the outside toilet to the north of the building.

Photography (including video) will be limited to training and club activities, for publication in social media, 31½ or on WSC website. Any objections are to be made by enclosing a letter with your application. Parents and spectators should be prepared to identify themselves if requested and state their purpose for photography/filming. If the Club publishes images of children, no identifying information other than names will be included. Any concerns about inappropriate or intrusive photography or the inappropriate use of images should be reported to the Club Welfare Officer.

Camping for participants will only be permitted with parents / carers (no in loco parentis or responsible adult arrangements). Camping must be approved with Phil Cope in advance. Clubhouse will be locked when the keyholder / CDO leaves in the evening. This activity is not the responsibility of the club.

We hope this give you all the information you need but please don't hesitate to email junioreweek@wilsoniansc.org.uk or talk to one of the team on Saturday mornings.