

## **BURNHAM SAILING CLUB RIBS**

### **DESCRIPTION OF BSC RIBS**

1. A 5 metre long orange coloured XS500 RIB with a 50 horse power Yamaha engine on a road trailer with bars above for carrying dinghies. Radio call sign BSC1.
2. A 4.0 metre long orange coloured Valiant RIB with a 25hp Mariner engine sitting on a non road legal launching trolley. Radio call sign BSC2
3. A 3.5 metre red coloured Valiant RIB with a 15hp engine sitting on a non road legal launching trolley. Radio call sign BSC3

### **RIB rules**

1. The BSC RIBs are for the use of members of the BSC who hold a suitable qualification - RYA PB2 or better. There must be a minimum of 2 people in the boat at all times when being used for training or as a safety boat and a kill cord must be used at all times. Young persons between the ages of 16 & 18 may drive the boat but only when supervised and accompanied by a qualified adult member.
2. The RIBs are primarily to be used as training and safety boats for club training and race events.
3. The boats may be loaned to neighbouring clubs on the River Crouch at no cost as cover for events but a contribution to fuel used or being returned with full tanks will be expected from the club organising the event. When at such an event they must be the responsibility of and driven by a Burnham on Crouch Sailing Club member.
4. Damage or faults to any RIB must be reported to the Bosun (or Committee member) so that it can be repaired at the earliest opportunity. Damage that the club considers was caused through recklessness, inappropriate use or neglect may be charged for. It is the user's responsibility to ensure that there is sufficient oil in the engine and that there is sufficient cooling water passing through the engine (visible tell tale should be checked regularly). Failure to do so will be considered as negligence.
5. Club members may apply to the Committee to use the largest RIB, BSC1, at external training or race events which require the RIB to be taken away from the club to support BSC dinghies on the payment of the appropriate fee. The Committee will consider and give approval to such applications on a case by case basis (considering the event, location, number of BSC participants, and if there are any conflicting requirements for the RIB etc). The charge will be set by the committee and will start on the day the boat leaves the club and will accrue daily until the day on which the boat returns to the club. It must leave the club for the shortest period possible and be returned in good order, washed and tidy, used fuel replaced, ready for use at the club's next event. The club's insurance policy will cover the RIB for use in "UK Inland and Coastal Waters", including whilst in transit. However, it is the responsibility of the member who has applied to the committee to use the RIB at an external event to ensure that the RIB is trailed by a suitable vehicle driven by a competent person, that the rib is securely tied to the trailer, to check that the trailer is in a suitable condition for use on public roads before departing, and that all legal requirements are met so as not to invalidate the club's insurance policy.

This policy is subject to periodical review and revision by the BSC Committee.

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