Usage of club boats at EDYC OCT 23 procedure 17Oct23

The sailing committee are documenting how members can access and use club owned boats at EDYC.

Throughout these policies the club (in exercising calendar activity or other activity organised or authorised through the sailing committee) shall take precedence – ie have first call on the boats/equipment.

When a member takes a club boat, that member will be responsible for the safety aspects of the boat and personnel.

Power Boats

We split our fleet into diesel powered work / taxi boats and Rib Boats.

Diesel Boats

Given the norm of having a diesel boat on the pontoon, this boat is available for secondary use by members to use to visit moorings or moored boats.

Prior to use the member will obtain the boat keys from the shed key board and check the boat log book (for essential recent information) and shall put their members name, mobile number and boat name into the log on appropriate day with the time of key collection.

On return, the keys are to be replaced and the log book entry be made stating any recent operational information and the time of return.

The normal white emergency barrel should be carried. Carrying a VHF radio and a mobile phone is essential.

RIBS

Members may use club RIBS to improve and enhance their handling and driving skills on a secondary basis, the club use (in exercising calendar activity or other activity organised or authorised through the sailing committee) shall take precedence – ie have first call on the boats/equipment.

A club RIB should only be taken out by a member when there is some on the water backup provided. The member shall have RYA Power Boat Level II certification.

Backup must be available.

Backup such as – when at the same time as another club RIB is on the water operating in race support duty

Backup where a volunteer has agreed to be on standby – on site with a mobile phone contact and an available other vessel ready to attend to assist the RIB.

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In all the above – the Sailing Committee will monitor usage and shall adjust procedures or constrain members to ensure safe, equitable and efficient use of club resources.