



## Trent Valley Sailing Club House Rules

- 1. No dogs are allowed in the club compound. Any dog on the club field or car park must be on a lead.
- 2. All three gates out of the compound must be kept closed.
- 3. The farmer's gate at the canal bridge must be closed behind you, unless you know someone is following immediately.
- 4. All members are responsible for tying down and securing their own boats and for keeping the area around and under their boat tidy. The area should be weed free with the grass kept short.
- 5. Members may not borrow another member's property without the owner's consent.
- 6. The Steward's quarters are private to the steward and their family and should be respected as such.
- 7. The Steward has sole catering rights and members should not bring down their own food or use the kitchen unless the steward is not available.
- 8. Meals ordered must be paid for, even if not taken, unless three days notice of cancellation is given.
- 9. No one under the age of 18 is allowed behind the bar, or allowed to purchase alcoholic drinks. 16 and 17 year olds may drink cider, wine or beer whilst eating a meal, provided that they are accompanied by a person aged 18 or over.
- 10. No child under the age of 16 is allowed at the club unless accompanied by an adult member who is responsible for them.
- 11. Children must wear buoyancy aids when out on the water. The landing stage is out of bounds to children not wearing a buoyancy aid. The boat shed is out of bounds to children at all times.
- 12. No mobile phones or cameras are to be used in the changing rooms

## **Notes to the TVSC House Rules**

These rules have been devised to enhance, not hinder, members' enjoyment of the Club. It may not always be obvious why these rules exist, so there follow some notes of explanation.

- 1. There are many reasons for this rule.
  - a. The rule was introduced after one member was bitten by another member's dog.
  - b. Small children may crawl freely on the front lawn and they need to be protected from the diseases they could pick up from dog faeces.
  - c. Some members may be nervous of dogs.
  - d. The farmer keeps livestock in the field.
- 2. If the compound gates are not kept closed then:
  - Livestock will get into the compound and will foul the lawns and may cause other damage.
  - b. The speed of vehicles entering the compound is not restricted.
- 3. This is a courtesy to the farmer; it is obviously in our interests to give him as little cause for complaint as possible and to maintain a cordial relationship.
- 4. This rule is to ensure that:
  - a. Boats do not pose a hazard to other boats during periods of high wind.
  - b. The club grounds are kept tidy whilst respecting members' wishes that their boats and the way that they are tied down are not interfered with.
- 5. Hopefully the reasons for this rule are obvious.
- 6. We should give the steward the same privacy in his home as we expect in ours.
- 7. Meals provide the steward with an important source of income and, once they have bought the food for a meal, they should receive the income it would have generated. It is better if members can find substitutes to go in their stead rather than not showing. We are lucky to have Stewards but it is 'use them or lose them'.
- 8. As above.
- 9. This is to comply with the licensing act 2003. The definition of a meal for the 16 & 17 year olds is a proper sit down meal; snacks do not qualify.
- 10. This is to comply with the club rules and to ensure that children are safe, and properly supervised by a known, responsible adult.
- 11. This is a safety measure and all children must be made aware of this rule.
- 12. This is a child protection measure.

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