

## **Welcome to**Tata Steel Sailing Club



## Eglwys Nunydd Reservoir Margam

## Welcome to our Sailing Club

We are a friendly club so don't be afraid to ask for help, our aim is for you to enjoy sailing in a safe surrounding.

We cater for dinghy sailors, windsurfers, S U P's and Canoes

Not sailed before? No problem, we can arrange lessons by our trained instructors. Details of training may be seen on the Club's website - <a href="www.tatasteelsailing.org.uk">www.tatasteelsailing.org.uk</a>

We have a galley where you can sit and chat over a hot "cuppa", if you so wish, and changing rooms with shower facilities.

We run dinghy sailing races throughout the year in which you can take part. Our members own a variety of boats with differing performance levels so to compensate we use a Portsmouth Number (P.N.) handicapping system. You will find a mixed ability of sailors in these events from beginners to World Champions.

There are clear and detailed Club Policies and Procedures, which all members **must** comply with. You should read and understand these at your earliest opportunity. These, along with the Club's Constitution can be accessed from the Club website, see <a href="https://www.tatasteelsailing.org.uk/?page=Policies%20and%20Procedures">https://www.tatasteelsailing.org.uk/?page=Policies%20and%20Procedures</a>.

Your attention is particularly drawn to the following requirements: -

- 1) You are not allowed on the water until a manned safety boat is launched. (The Club Burgee will be hoisted to the top of the flagpole to indicate that you may go afloat).
- 2) You must wear a buoyancy aid at all times when on the water. (Wet suits and harnesses are not sufficient).
- 3) Racing and Casual sailors (dinghy, windsurfers, S U P's and Canoes) must sign the "Sign on Sheet" before going afloat. This sheet will be in the Entrance Foyer. Those not sailing must sign the visitor's form.
- 4) You must have at least Third-Party Insurance on your craft to value £5,000,000.

Entrance to the compound and the clubhouse is by security keys. You will need to ask a Committee Member if you require keys.

As a Club member you must do Officer of the Day (OOD) duties three times a year (see Club website for the rota), so it is advisable to ask about this and possibly spend some time observing them.

We do not employ anyone, so the work carried out around the clubhouse and compound is all done by volunteers. Join in when you can, you will find it is a great bonding experience. Finally, remember we are all here to enjoy ourselves.

The photos and contact e-mails of Club's Flag Officers, Committee Members and those holding other formal roles may be seen on the Club website.

A brief history the club and plan of the reservoir are also available on the Club website.

Finally, as a member you can join the Club Facebook group, which provides news and details of events – both on and off the water.