

Scouts Paddlesports Course

Paddlesports Courses: We are offering two paddlesports courses aimed at beginners and improvers. The Course will be run at Taplow Lake as the last four years, one of the advantages of this venue is that it is unaffected by high Thames water levels and offers both lake and river paddling.

There are two courses, both running on:

8th May
15th May
22nd May
5th June
12th June,
19th June
26th June (River Trip on Thames)

The Beginners Course: Wednesday evenings **6.00 till 7.30** will give participants the opportunity to gain the 'Paddle Discover' award, although it should be noted that this is not guaranteed.

Having said that everyone who participated last year did gain the qualification. The cost for the 6 week course and an additional river trip is **£70** on top of this there will be an extra **£5** charge for the qualification

The Improvers Course: (For those who have done the 'Paddlepower Passport' or 1 Star Award already) Wednesday **7.45 till 9.15** will give participants the opportunity to improve their paddling skills. The cost for the 6 week course and an additional river trip is **£70** on top of this there will be an extra **£5** charge for the qualification

Experience will be gained in paddling various types of craft including kayak, canoe and stand up paddleboards.

If there is interest from participants in the improver's course in achieving the 'Paddle Explore' qualification, it is possible that we can continue the training sessions beyond the weeks shown above. For the last four years we have given people the opportunity to complete the qualification during the summer holidays. This will be decided at a future date and is dependent on interest and how the participants are progressing – there will be an additional cost for these sessions which will be advised.

It should be noted it is not possible to gain the explore qualification based on the above schedule alone as it does not include the required paddling hours.

There are 16 places on each course which will be allocated on a first come first served basis. To electronically book on either course please use the following links:

Beginners Course

<http://www.engagewatersports.com/bookingforms/booking-form-districtbeginners>

Improvers Course

<http://www.engagewatersports.com/bookingforms/booking-form-districtimprovers>

or alternatively email chris@engagewatersports.com or give us a call in the office on 01628 671131

Hope to see you on the water

Chris