



Hexham Canoe Club

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News from the region:

Sport Unlimited is a new initiative aimed at the 11 to 19 age group, with Government funding. Leisure Tyndale are inviting bids from canoe clubs to run sessions for school children and are targeting year 9 girls in the first instance. The schools will identify the students and Hexham Canoe Club is to bid for funding to run activities.

School Links Funding is again available. Our club intends to maintain its involvement with local schools.

Bursaries from regional funds are used to support competitors' travelling expenses and the costs of training coaches. The regional finance sub committee meeting is going to review the criteria making awards in February.

Wavehopper The Hexham event will be on November 1st and not on the Tyne Tour weekend, hopefully making life a little easier for the organisers.

Regional Calendar This has been circulated but watch out for updates.

Surf Sessions will take place at Sunderland Marine Activity Centre in April. Look out for further details.

Freestyle coaching This will not now take place as the Tees white water centre is closing for refurbishment.

Placid water sprint racing Events will take place monthly.

Slaloms The slalom event at Prudhoe (28th June) will be open to all categories to try and encourage greater participation and other clubs running slaloms are asked to do the same.

Pool Slalom The region has acquired the necessary equipment and an event will run at Hexham pool before the summer break.

Canoe England has given two Ergo machines to the region which will be taken into schools. Two K4 rockets are also coming to the region.

Club News:

Top club We are still working on renewing our Top Club status and one of the many things we need to demonstrate is working with different groups and this was also part of the submission for the grant from Sport England for the new boat house. We were approached by Dilston College to see if we could run a taster session for their students. This took place recently and was very successful, with six students having a great time on the water.

Membership now stands at 158.

Tyne Tour The report will be finalised soon and the money passed over to the region.

Youth Chloe Glendenning is to run another fun night at the pool.

New equipment Paddles and helmets have been ordered and will be arriving soon.

Trips Coaches are organising more trips – keep your eyes on the website for more information.