



Huntingdon Canoe Club Child and Vulnerable Adults Protection Policy

Huntingdon Canoe Club is fully committed to safeguarding the well being of its members. All members should show respect and understanding for the rights, safety and welfare of others, and conduct themselves in a way that reflects the principles of the club.

We believe that taking part in Paddlesport should be a positive and enjoyable part of children's/vulnerable adults lives and to achieve this have the following aims:

- Club coaches should follow the BCU Coaches & Officials Code of Conduct
- All club coaches, helpers and officials working with young people should read and adhere to the BCU child and vulnerable adults policy. The club will follow the guidance of the policy in the event of any concerns or allegations.
- The club will ensure that anyone working with young people and vulnerable adults undertake a screening procedure, namely a Criminal Records Bureau Disclosure.
- All club members are made aware of the Club Code/s of Conduct
- The club will obtain written medical details of child/vulnerable adult paddlers which will be made known to coaches where deemed appropriate and/or necessary.
- The club will only use BCU qualified/updated coaches — unqualified coaches can only work alongside a qualified coach. The club will encourage and support helpers to gain qualifications and assist coaches to stay up-dated.
- The person nominated to deal with any issues concerning child protection and vulnerable adults is Alex Paterson and in the event of any concerns he can be contacted on 01480 213233 or 07917 000 400. If Alex Paterson is unavailable the BCU Child Protection Officer on Tel: 0115 9821100 (see full contact details below) can be contacted.
- The club will adopt and regularly review a Health and Safety Policy
- The club will review this policy annually.

Date.....28th **September 2010**

Signed.....CLUB POSITION**Welfare Officer**.....

This document complies with the British Canoe Union's 'Child and Vulnerable Adult Policy' guidelines. Huntingdon Canoe Club takes full responsibility and ownership for the aims of this Policy and its implementation.

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