



Policy on tying boats down

As stated in the Club's Safety Policy, Peterborough City Rowing Club has a zero tolerance for anyone being harmed as a result of our members' participation in the sport.

We strive to provide an environment in which the sport can be practised safely and enjoyably by our members by providing appropriate rules that reduce the risk of harm. Having thoroughly considered the risks associated with unattended boat storage we have determined the following club policy with regard to the safe placing and storage of boats on outside racks/trailers/trestles in order to reduce the likelihood of incidents occurring.

All members are reminded that:

- everyone involved in rowing has a duty of care to ensure their actions both on and off the water are conducted in a manner which does not compromise the safety of either themselves or others
- extra care and vigilance must be taken when handling boats during PCRC events when large numbers of people unfamiliar with how boats are handled on land are likely to be in the vicinity, especially in actual or potentially windy conditions
- all boats must be suitably tied down to trailers, racks and trestles at all times when they are left unattended outside the boathouse, especially in actual or potentially windy conditions
- in windy conditions further consideration should be given to whether it is actually safe to leave any unattended boat tied on to trestles outside the boathouse rather than properly racked inside the boathouse
- if they observe boats not being suitably tied down when left unattended to remind the crew(s) and/or coaches concerned of the need to do so

Signed by Chairman: John Canton

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