

Belfast Canoe Club



Northern Ireland charity number: NIC104803

Club Information 2019

Minimum paddling standard:

To join, paddlers must be competent to swim with a buoyancy aid, have previous experience of kayaking, and be confident with support strokes. All ages are welcome*. Paddlers who do not meet this standard must complete a beginners course before membership can be confirmed.

***Children under 12 years of age must be accompanied by a parent member**

Belfast Canoe Club has a proud record as the oldest canoe club in Northern Ireland. It was founded in 1960, and had major influence in the setting up and early years of both the Canoe Association of Northern Ireland and the Irish Canoe Union. BCC paddlers have had many international competitive honours with paddlers representing GB&NI, Ireland, and N.I. in the disciplines of Sprint racing (the Olympic discipline), Marathon racing, Slalom, Whitewater racing, and Whitewater Rafting.

The club registered as a charity in 2016 with the particular objective of promoting canoeing, particularly competitive canoeing, in the Belfast Area. We are now actively recruiting both youth membership and adults with basic kayaking skills interested in competitive or recreational paddling.

In 2018 we were the only club in Northern Ireland offering tuition in the disciplines of Sprint racing (the Olympic discipline), Marathon racing and Whitewater racing. Our volunteer coaches include a current Irish Champion, and 2 former International paddlers.

We also welcome those who wish to develop their skills to undertake canoeing as a purely recreational pursuit, particularly families, and encourage paddlers to obtain progressive awards and coaching qualifications.

The Club rents a container at Ardnavey Scout Centre for boat storage. A limited number of spaces are available for members wishing to store boats at an additional fee (and at member's risk).

The club uses a website, teamer.net, to communicate session details, etc with members. Once registered, members can receive notifications of all sessions direct by e-mail and/or text to mobile phone. There is a free Teamer'App' which gives instant notifications on mobile devices. Teamer notices will always be sent to a parent's e-mail: they can also be received on a young person's phone/email if these details are supplied. Please note once registered, teamer details can only be altered from the nominated e-mail/phone: club officials can only delete.

The Club also uses a 'closed' Belfast Canoe Club Facebook group page (members/parents are encouraged to join) and website www.belfastcanoeclub.org.

Data Protection: personal data will only be used as required to administer the Club and communicate with members. As part of our insurance cover all our members are required to be of the Canoe Association of Northern Ireland: we enrol all club members who are not individual CANI members as Affiliated members of CANI and are required to share members personal details with CANI.

Membership fees 2019

Note: A reduction is allowed for all individual members of CANI, and members of other CANI clubs who are already registered as CANI affiliate members

	<u>CANI Non- members</u>	<u>CANI members</u>
Adult:	£45	£35
Qualified Coach	N/A	£ Nil
Junior	£45	£38
Family members of Full members	£20	£20
Non-paddling	£ Nil	
Entrance Fee	£ Nil	

Forms to be returned with payment to The Treasurer, Malcolm Kerry, 75 Shandon Park BT5 6NY.

Club Rules

1. No Junior member may canoe alone
2. No Junior member may take a boat from the Club storage location unless a responsible adult is present.
3. All novices must wear buoyancy aids. Adults are advised to wear buoyancy aids at all times
4. Juniors must wear buoyancy aids at all times unless exempted at the express permission of their coach on an organised race training or race session on flat water.
5. Juniors may only paddle without a competent adult present when they have reached the appropriate standard of paddling, are capable of rescuing a capsized kayak, have been given specific permission of a qualified Coach and a parent, and in groups of not less than three.
6. Paddlers must have a towel and a complete change of dry clothes suitable for the weather conditions available. Paddlers' personal property is **not** the responsibility of the club or its officials and we recommend you do not bring valuables to paddling or training sessions.

BELFAST CANOE CLUB

Application Form 2019

First Name		Male/ Female
Surname		
Date of Birth (Required for all U-18 paddlers- desirable for others!)		
Address		
Post Code		
Tel No Home		
Personal Mobile Tel No. (optional for U-18)		
Email Address (optional for U-18) (parents will receive a copy of any emails sent)		
For Applicants under 18 years of Age:		
Parent or Guardian's Email Address		
Parent or Guardian's Mobile Tel.No.		
Emergency Contact: Name and Tel Numbers		
Canoeing Experience/ Coaching Qualifications (Confirm whether current)		
If 2019 CANI/BC member, Membership No. or name of other CANI club paying affiliation as member:		
Details of any disability/illness/injury. The Club programme may involve very strenuous activity and rigorous training. It is important that we have any information on existing illnesses or injuries.		

I apply for membership of Belfast Canoe Club. I confirm that I can swim and am not afraid of being immersed in water. I consent to the use of my personal details by the Club and CANI only for the organisation and administration of the club and my canoeing. I enclose the membership fee of £

and (for under 18s) a completed parental consent form (delete if not applicable).

Belfast Canoe Club obtains insurance indemnity cover by registering members as Affiliate members of the Canoe Association of Northern Ireland, the N.I Region of the British Canoe Union. The following declaration is required by CANI. CANI rules etc. can be found at www.cani.org.uk

I/We agree to be bound by the rules and regulations of the Canoe Association of N.I. and the British Canoe Union (a limited company). I/We accept liability for my/our share (£1) in the company in the event of liquidation of the Union.

Signed:

Dated:

See Overleaf

PARENTAL CONSENT SECTION

I consent to my son / daughter* (Name in full):

taking part in the Activities of Belfast Canoe Club in 2019.

I confirm that he/she* is medically fit to participate.

Their Application Form gives details of:

1. Any current medical condition/any medication being taken relevant to the strenuous activities of the club
2. Any other relevant information which may affect his/her participation in the club activities (including allergy or dietary requirements)
3. Emergency contact numbers:

I accept the code of conduct and agree to the arrangements (including costs) relating to my son/daughter being sent home early from any of the club events.

I agree to my son/daughter receiving emergency medical treatment, including anaesthetic, as considered necessary, by the medical authorities present.

I consent to my son/ daughter travelling by any form of public transport, minibus or motor vehicle driven by a club coach or any other parent attending, to any event in which the club is participating.

I agree to be at the pick-up/ drop-off point at the agreed time where applicable.

I understand that the club or organisers accept no responsibility for loss, damage or injury caused by or during attendance on any of the clubs organised activities except where such loss, damage or injury can be shown to result directly from the negligence of the club or the organisers.

I confirm to the best of my knowledge that my son/ daughter does not suffer from any medical condition other than those listed.

I consent that photographs taken by authorised personnel of my son/ daughter at BCU/CANI/ICU or club events may be used to promote Paddlesport and confirm that my son/ daughter is not subject to any court order prohibiting publication of their image.

I consent to the use of the personal details provided by the Club and CANI only for the organisation and administration of the club and my son/daughter’s canoeing.

I/We agree to be bound by the rules and regulations of the Canoe Association of N.I. and the British Canoe Union (a limited company). I/We accept liability for my/our share (£1) in the company in the event of liquidation of the Union.

I agree to provide occasional assistance to the Club and complete AccessNI type child protection process if required

Signed (Parent/Guardian)	
Name:	Date:

Gift Aid Declaration

Belfast CC is a registered charity: if you complete the declaration below, you can boost your donation by 25p of Gift Aid for every £1 you donate

Gift Aid is reclaimed by the charity from the tax you pay for the current tax year. Your address is needed to identify you as a current UK taxpayer. In order to Gift Aid your donation you must tick the box below: I want to Gift Aid my donation of £_____ to: Belfast Canoe Club. I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax in the current tax year than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

My Details

Title _____ First name or initial(s) _____ Surname _____

Full Home address _____

Postcode _____ Date _____

Please notify the charity if you: • want to cancel this declaration • change your name or home address • no longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains. If you pay Income Tax at the higher or additional rate and want to receive the additional tax relief due to you, you must include all your Gift Aid donations on your Self-Assessment tax return or ask HM Revenue and Customs to adjust your tax code.