

HAWTHORN ROWING CLUB

PRIVATE BOAT STORAGE POLICY (May – 2020)

1. General

- a) Private boat storage is a privilege granted by the Committee and is not an automatic right by members of the Club.
- b) The Captain will be responsible for implementation of this Policy
- c) Only full fee-paying Members and Life Members shall be entitled to apply for a boat storage privilege.
- d) The storage location of the private boat is not fixed and may change from time to time depending on factors such as the club's own requirements, the amount of usage the private boat is seeing, the ease by which other members need access to get their to own boats subject to health and fitness etc
- e) If in the opinion of the Committee the rack space taken up by private boats is required for the Club's fleet or for any other purpose then the Committee at its absolute discretion may cancel the private boat storage facility and order the removal of private boats from the boathouse. Balance of storage fees will be refunded.
- f) Private boats shall not be stored or moved within the club with riggers attached. Riggers attached to boats within the club cause damage to other boats.
- g) Should a Member not use their boat for a period of 3 months without satisfactory explanation of the circumstances then the Committee may order that Member to remove their boat from the boatshed.
- h) Should a Member not respond to such order of the Committee then the Committee may take any steps that it deems justified and necessary to effect such removal at the Member's expense

2. Application

- a) In order to gain storage privilege for a private boat, an application must be made in writing to the committee that includes the following details as a minimum;
 - Boat details and name shown on it if applicable
 - Rigger type (quick release or otherwise)
 - Oar details if they are also to be stored
 - Envisaged amount of usage
 - Any other information such as if a cradle is to be stored or if there are special access requirements.

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- b) All private boats to have an identifying name on them. If no identifying name is present on the boat, the Club will allocate a number to be fixed to the inside of the hull.

- c) Upon written application for storage privileges, the storage fee is to be included with the application

3. Storage Fees

- a) Annual storage fees for all boats are set by the committee and subject to review from time to time. Members with storage privileges will be advised in writing when storage fees change.

- b) Annual fees for boats other than single sculls are determined and set by the committee on a case by case basis.

- c) Should a Member become unfinancial or not pay the annual storage fee then the Committee may order that Member remove their boat from the boatshed.

- d) Where a member is on the committee and has either a direct or indirect interest in the storage of a boat, they as a matter propriety abstain from voting on the matter.

- e) The storage fees are published in the manner as the annual membership.

4. Insurance

- a) Neither the Club nor the Committee take any responsibility for damage or otherwise to private boats stored in the boathouse or whilst on the water or whilst being transported on the Club's boat trailer.

- b) Insurance of private boats (and equipment) is the responsibility of the individual owners

5. Transfer of boat ownership

- a) Should a Member sell his/her boat to another Member such transfer of ownership does not carry with it any actual or implied right or preferential access to boat storage facilities which may only be granted at the sole discretion of the Committee.