

**Harwich and Dovercourt Model Boat Club
Health and Safety Risk Assessment**

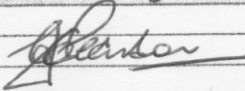
What are the hazards?	Who could be harmed?
Slips on wet grass and path around boating lake	Sailing club members Members of the public
Trips over equipment and lines	Sailing club members Members of the public
Falls on the same level	Sailing club members Members of the public
Falls into water	Sailing club members
Eye injuries from aerals and rigging	Sailing club members
Lifting, pulling and pushing loads	Sailing club members
Collision and injury from non-sailing club members	Sailing club members Members of the public
Zoonoses (infection from animals) - rats and swans	Sailing club members
Injury from wildlife - swans	Sailing club members

Control Measures in place

- Emergency procedures are stated on the race sheet should a major injury or incident occur
- A first-aid box is present with the race officer for minor injuries
- Appropriate non-slip footwear is worn
- Extra care taken in wet or damp weather
- Awareness of others when walking around the boating lake and especially when racing
- Ensure no lines are trailing across pathways
- Ensure no equipment is causing trip hazards and left unsupervised
- Store all equipment on the trolley when races are taking place
- The boating lake is approximately 1metre in depth so allowing a person to stand and wade out of the water if they fall in.
- Grapple hooks and lines are available for assistance to rescue someone from the water
- All aerals must be protected at the tip
- Care taken when rigging and de-rigging with flying shrouds and sails
- All equipment is transported from the shed using the trolley and two members must always undertake this task.
- Awareness that members of the public and children use the area for walking and with cycles and scooters and may wish to watch and ask questions.
- If necessary make members of the public aware of the possible hazards of slips, collisions and falls into water.
- Members are made aware that diseases can be transmitted from wildlife and particular the swan faeces and rat urine. Guidance leaflet given to all members:
 - Clean hands if become contaminated with faeces
 - Clean hands before eating and smoking
 - Cover any open wounds with a waterproof dressing and do not expose to the damp grass or water.
- Awareness of the location of the swans and possible attack especially if they have young present.

Name of Assessor (s)	Date
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Review annually, following any related accident or if significant changes are made

Name of Reviewer	Date
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