



## **NEWHAVEN & SEAFORD SAILING CLUB**

### **RYA Day Skipper Theory Course 2022**

#### **Description**

This course is a great way to get into navigation when using boats on the sea, whether yachts or powerboats. It complements the RYA Powerboat 2 course theory and is ideal for anyone who ventures on to the sea (or the seashore).

The course covers a wide variety of useful knowledge including: navigation, charts, compasses, tides, weather, rules of the road, buoys, light and shapes, environmental, knots, emergencies, safety, anchors, basic radio and other essential topics.

The course is stand-alone, or in preparation for the RYA practical courses, Day and Coastal Skipper or to go on to the RYA Yacht-master theory course.

Included in the course fee are supporting materials, practice charts and a plotter (a sort of clever ruler) and dividers - all these items are yours to keep. You will need to bring pencils, a sharpener and a notebook, plus your packed lunch. We provide tea and coffee!

There is a small book of notes in the course materials, however, we suggest that you invest in a copy of 'The RYA Day Skipper Handbook 2<sup>nd</sup> ed.' published by the RYA (G6) (RYA or Amazon), and a second-hand copy of the Reed's Almanac. These useful books are often to be found in charity shops, second-hand bookshops (or online in Bookstore.com), as they go out of date every year - but they contain a vast amount of useful information as well as their tide tables.

Most of the work takes place in our Training Room at Piddinghoe Pond, BN9 9AF, but there will be some homework between the weekly lessons. There are two exams: one in the middle of the course, the other near the end. If you do the homework nobody fails!

Bill Giles, the instructor, is a qualified teacher as well as being a qualified RYA instructor. He has been sailing and teaching sailing and power-boating for nearly 50 years. He has represented the RAF in sailing

events and has sailed widely in the Med, the Atlantic Isles and more recently the English Channel including France and Holland. Bill races a Squib in club racing and is a part-owner of a yacht berthed in Eastbourne Marina.

## Dates

This is a four-day course over the following Saturdays (from 9:00 to 17:00): February 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> 2022.

## Fees

Non-members: £295. Members: £245.

Payment is for the whole course and there are no refunds for non-attendance.

## Location

Piddinghoe Lake, Piddinghoe, BN9 9AF.

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On the main C7 road between Newhaven and Lewes there are sign-posted roads into Piddinghoe at the north and south ends of the village. Take the road into the village at the southern end. At a sharp left-hand bend, with a bus shelter opposite you, turn right down a dirt track. We are at the end of that track, with free parking.

## Joining Instructions

Bring your own refreshments. The Club facilities include free car parking, changing rooms with toilet and showers and Galley for hot drinks.

If you have a problem on the day, tel Simon Suter on 07738 064009 or email enquiries to [trainingnssc@nssc.org.uk](mailto:trainingnssc@nssc.org.uk).