

# The Watershed

How to ensure that The Watershed is kept tidy, and the boats in good condition, so we can all enjoy them!

## REPORTING PROBLEMS

If you notice any problems with the boats or kit please report it to the Kit Admiral. A notice will be placed on any damaged kit so other members do not use it while it waits for maintenance to be carried out.

Contact the Kit Admiral at: [maintenance@isiscanoecluboxford.co.uk](mailto:maintenance@isiscanoecluboxford.co.uk).

## KIT

Please ensure that all kit is returned to the correct end of the Watershed and replaced in the correct position. Please do not leave equipment on the floor or hung up in the wrong places. Fasten buckles and zips on buoyancy aids before putting them on pegs. Hang up spray decks using the safety loop, and not the adjustable elastic. **Do not put knots in the adjustable elastic.** Sponge out water from the hatches on sea kayaks and put the hatch covers inside the hatches. Ensure bungs are replaced after emptying boats; these are parts which can easily become detached and lost resulting in boats not being suitable for use. If you remove a foot plate in a kayak please ensure you replace it before you put the boat back.

Please place paddles back in the racks carefully, adult yellow Werner Rio paddles on the top rack and other paddles on the bottom rack. Buoyancy aids and spray decks for adults go on the left hand side pegs (large blue/purple ones on top and small red ones on the bottom). Children's buoyancy aids, labelled Isis Source, go on the pegs under the paddles on the right hand side. Helmet straps should be fastened and hung on the hooks or the paddle racks, please do not leave them on the floor or on top of the paddles. Sea kayak paddles go on the top rack above the boats in the blue end.

## AIR BAGS

Do not remove air bags from the boats. These are invaluable for aiding rescues, as the boats do not fill with as much water. All Isis CC kayaks should have 2 airbags cable tied into them at the back. If a boat does not have air bags please report it, do not remove them from another boat to fit into the one you would like to paddle.

## RUBBISH

Please take any rubbish or personal belongings with you once you are finished, do not leave it in the boats or in the shed.

## CLEANING BOATS

All boats must be sponged out before they are replaced in the racks so pools of water aren't left stagnating in them. Removing all traces of water and any debris in the bottom of your boat also means they are clean for the next people who want to use it. Sponges are available in both ends of the watershed. It may seem like you have emptied all of the water out through the bung (if your boat has one) but if you turn the boat on its side the water will gather for you to sponge it out.

## LOCKING UP

Finally, it is essential that the key holder personally locks up before leaving and checks the doors are secure. **DO NOT RELY ON ANYONE ELSE IN YOUR PARTY!** Please fix in the bolts at the top and bottom of the door inside, and both locks on the outside. Our insurance is invalidated if the doors are left open.

## REPLACING BOATS – GREEN END

Each boat has a space in the racks. Replace boats in the racks by putting them in the correct order so that they all fit. Boats tessellate in pairs, cockpits facing each other, with the bow of one boat next to the stern of the other. Always put the first boat of the pair in bow end first as this is the widest. The numbers next to the names of the boat below indicate which order they are to be placed in the racks.



- Top:** Mountain Bat  
**Second Row:** 1. Acrobat – 2. Acrobat – 5. RPM – 4. Lil Zone – 3. Lil Zone  
**First Row:** 1. TG – 2. TG – 5. Bliss – 6. Acrobat – 4. TG – 3. TG  
**Bottom:** 1. Wavesport – 2. Juice – 5. Showdown – 4. Supersonic – 3. i:4

## REPLACING BOATS – BLUE END

Replace boats in the racks by putting them in the correct order so that they all fit. Boats tessellate with the bow of one boat next to the stern of the other. Always put the first boat of the pair in bow end first as this is the widest. The numbers next to the names of the boats below indicate which order they are to be placed in the racks.



**Top:** Paddles (3 orange/8 blue)

**Second Row:** 1. Easky – 3. Rotomod – 4. Charleston – 5. Pilot – 2. Fastnet (white)

**First Row:** 1. Minuet Open Canoe – 2. Ottawa Open Canoe – 3. Topo Duo

**Bottom Row:** 2. Savannah – 3. Charleston – 4. Captiva – 1. Weekender