

LOWER WHARFE CANOE CLUB

2026 PROGRAMME

ISSUED FEB 2026



OUR REGULAR TRIPS:

Tadcaster Pool – sessions for ALL Abilities	5:30-7pm	Weekly - Last session 10 th May. Restart 13 th September	Book on Webcollect
Bishopthorpe River sessions with Coaching for ALL abilities. (Paddle boarding available some weeks dependent on weather.)	6:30-8:15pm	Thursdays: 14 th , 28 th May, 11 th , 25 th June, 19 th , 23 rd July, 6 th , 20 th August, 3 rd September 28 th May Litter Pick.	Book on Webcollect
Bishopthorpe to Millenium Bridge paddle for experienced independent paddlers	6:30–8:15pm 5:40 pm early & late season.	Weekly 9 th April – 3 rd September on Thursdays	Book on Webcollect
River Trips for Discover & Explore assessments		Apr - October	Book on Webcollect
Flat Water Slalom Training. White Water at Howsham alternate weeks in the summer.	6:30-7:30	All year	Contact slalom@lowerwharfe.org.uk or Mike Laing.

ADDITIONAL TRIPS AND OTHER DATES:

	January	
Sat 3 rd	New Year Paddle – Selby Canal followed by Lunch at Wheatsheaf Inn, Burn. Suitable for all those who have paddled on the river with us before. CANCELLED DUE TO ICE	Simon Lowe

Sun 11 th	Re-start Pool after Christmas break	
	February	
Sat 14 th	Re-arranged New Year Paddle. Selby Canal followed by Lunch at Wheatsheaf Inn, Burn. Suitable for all those who have paddled on the river to the Millenium Bridge with us before. Everyone is welcome for lunch.	Simon Lowe & Ann Mitchell
Sun 15 th & Sun 22 nd	Half Term no Pool sessions	
	March.	
Sun 29 th	Sunday Morning Brunch Paddle from Bishopthorpe. All who have been on the river before welcome.	Ann Mitchell
	APRIL	
Sun 29 th Mar & Sun 5 th April	Easter Break no pool sessions.	
Thu 9 th	Re-start Millenium Bridge Paddles for experienced paddlers only. Meet 5:40 for 6pm prompt start.	Club Night – experienced paddlers.
Sat 11 th	Paddle into York City Centre. Suitable for all those who have paddled on the river to the Millenium Bridge with us before.	Stuart Barker
Thu 30 th	Getting ready for river sessions for ALL helpers & any new people interested in helping on or off the river	Stuart Barker
	May	
Thu 7 th	Memorial Paddle to Millenium Bridge to celebrate the lives of those members no longer with us.	TBC
Thu 14 th	First coaching night at the river. All welcome. Then alternate Thursdays until 4 th Sept.	TBC
16 th /17 th	Slalom Competition – Bingley	Mike Laing slalom@lowerwharfe.org.uk
Sun 17 th	Introduction to White Water paddling.	Jonny Grayson
Thu 28 th	Big Paddle Clean Up – Litter Pick – ALL Welcome	Club Night

	June	
Fri/Sat/Sun 5/6/7 th	Weekend paddle. Canal & Bala Lake. All Levels welcome. Camping or static caravan accommodation.	Stuart Barker, Simon Lowe
Sat 20 th	York Canoe Race. All who have been to the river welcome	Kate Kingston TBC
Sat 20 th	White Water Safety & Rescue	Jonny Grayson
20 th /21 st	Slalom Competition - Cardington	Mike Laing slalom@lowerwharfe.org.uk
Thu 25 th	Mid Summer Social after Coaching	TBC
	July	
Sat 18 th	Touring Paddle on River Ure. Suitable for all those who have paddled on the river with us before.	Stuart Barker
	August	
TBC	Saturday Morning Brunch Paddle from Bishopthorpe with Awards	TBC
6-9 th	Slalom Competition - LLandysul	Mike Laing slalom@lowerwharfe.org.uk
13 th -16 th	River Wye weekend Camping journey – for all those who have paddled on the river with us before.	Simon Lowe
	September	
TBC	Autumn/winter Planning session	TBC
Thu 4 th	End of Season for Coaching Sessions	Club Night
Thu 4 th	Last Millenium Bridge Paddle for experienced paddlers	Club Night – experienced paddlers.
Sun 6 th	Pool Training for anyone interested in helping on the door or poolside for new season	Stuart Barker
Sat 12 th TBC	Allerthorpe Triathlon TBC Lots of helpers needed, Competent paddlers welcome.	Stuart Barker
Sat TBC	Canoe O Orienteering competition. – for all those who have paddled on the river with us before.	TBC

9-13 th or 16-20 th	Caledonian Canal expedition. For experienced paddlers only. Dates TBC nearer the time depending on the weather	Simon Lowe
Sun 13 th	Re-start Pool Sessions at Tadcaster	Club Night
	October	
Sat TBC	Paddle for all abilities	TBC
Sun TBC	Trust for Conservation Volunteers weed clearing TBC	TBC
Sun 25 th & ?Sun 1 st TBC	Half Term no pool sessions.	
	November	
Sat TBC	Paddle for intermediates & above.	TBC
Sun TBC	Trust for Conservation Volunteers weed clearing TBC	TBC
Sun TBC	AGM – Tadcaster Pool 7:15pm	All
	December	
TBC	Planning Meeting – TBC 7:30pm	All
TBC	Christmas Social	TBC
Sun 20 th /27 th / 3 rd Jan	Christmas no pool sessions.	
	January 2027	
Sat 9 th	New year paddle & pub lunch. Suitable for all those who have paddled on the river to the Millenium Bridge with us before. Everyone is welcome for lunch.	TBC
Sun 10 th	New Year Pool re-start	TBC

We will arrange further trips during the spring, summer & Autumn, these will be notified by email & added to Webcollect for booking. If you would like to get involved with helping to organise trips then please let one of the coaches or helpers know or contact@lowerwharfe.org.uk . There are various ways to help even if you are not a qualified leader such as booking venues, transporting boats etc....

Also see our facebook page for photos from our trips & other news:

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