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### Captain News

#### 1. NEW DRAGON BOAT STEERSPERSON ACCREDITATION CHECKLIST

There is a new checklist for accrediting a new steersperson. You can find it at the following link:

[http://www.clubsake.com/documents/Steersperson\\_Exam\\_Checklist.pdf](http://www.clubsake.com/documents/Steersperson_Exam_Checklist.pdf)

Any question about the checklist can be sent to the Equipment Manager at: [equipment@clubsake.com](mailto:equipment@clubsake.com)

#### 2. SPECIAL EVENTS

Please notify the Communication Manager ([comm@clubsake.com](mailto:comm@clubsake.com)) of any special events your team may be having. If I get inquiries, I want to be able to direct the questions to the correct team.

#### 3. RACE ROSTERS

Please submit your race roster within 14 days of competing in the race. Rosters can be sent to [comm@clubsake.com](mailto:comm@clubsake.com).

### Member News

#### 1. WINDERMERE CUP 2009

Paddlers are needed for the Windermere Cup on Saturday, May 2. We want to have two (2) CLUB SAKE boats in the demonstration race that will take place prior to the crew races.

If you are interested, contact Matthew Goossen ([matthew.goossen@gmail.com](mailto:matthew.goossen@gmail.com)). Matthew would also like some help organizing this event. Please volunteer.

#### 2. SAFETY REMINDERS

A reminder of boat safety from our Rules and Regulations

([http://www.clubsake.com/documents/Club\\_Sake\\_Regulations\\_2007.pdf](http://www.clubsake.com/documents/Club_Sake_Regulations_2007.pdf))

- a boat must have a **minimum of 10 paddlers** in order to take it out on the water
- ensure that all paddlers properly wear their personal flotation device (PFD)
- don't take the boat out if waves are too high due to high wind
- don't take the boat out if lightning is likely
- stay to the right when navigate
- stay clear and yield to the other boat just to be safe
- bring a medical bag, a safety dry bag and a spare paddle on each boat
- know the number of crew on board
- know the non swimmers on board and use buddy system in case of emergency
- keep the boat at 45 deg or perpendicular to incoming waves
- unload the crew from the middle first, one crew member at a time
- avoid area with shallow water

Please note: violation of these regulations could result in suspension of club membership.

#### 3. PARKING REMINDERS

Please remember that some parking in the marina parking lots require a permit. The parking slots on the side closest to the water require a permit to park. If you don't have a permit, you could get a parking ticket.