

Lakeland Outdoor Club

CLUB RULES AND INFORMATION

Affiliated to BN

Haverigg Haws is a site of Special Scientific Interest (S.S.I.) as designated by Natural England. Please respect the environment and do not remove from, or bring to the site any plants or chemicals that may harm this balanced environment. The area is a breeding site for Natterjack Toads and is run on an environmental cycle as specified by Natural England in conjunction with Mr Fred Hunter the landowner. The following rules and information are drawn up to maintain and endorse the mandate of Natural England. As tenants we are responsible for the continued use and enjoyment of the site for ourselves and other members of the surrounding communities.

1. Camping:

A common sense approach is needed to avoid de-stabilizing the dunes or killing the vegetation root structure.

- a) Camp in the well vegetated central areas and not in the actual sand dune area.
- b) Do not leave a ground sheet in the same place for more than SEVEN nights
- c) Do not camp directly on a site that has been recently used.

2. Drinking Water:

A tap is available inside the first barn door at Stoup Farm. Please be sure that the tap is turned off when you have finished, as this tap is on a meter.

3. Toilets:

Members and visitors, when camping, should be equipped with toilet facilities. The sterilized toilet contents must be emptied away from the camping area. It is recommended that 'green' chemicals are used and that the contents are buried. The area between the camping area and the prison fence is adequate for this.

4. Rubbish:

Rubbish must not be disposed of on site. Please take it home with you. Waste water should be disposed of away from the camping area.

5. Bathing:

The beach is not a Naturist Beach and reported complaints could lead to prosecution.

DO NOT venture onto the beach without a towel or item of clothing to cover up, should you encounter other people on the beach. In 1983 the Local council failed to get a bye-law approved against nude bathing but National Legislation still applies. Please remember a confrontation with any locals could lead to a confrontation with the council which we need to avoid.

Any incidents or problems should be reported to the officers and committee members without delay.

Please make sure all flat bottomed inflatables are securely anchored. Please watch out for metal stakes driven into the sand by local fishermen

6. Fires:

Fires may be lit on the beach. Fires are not allowed in the dunes and camping area. Barbecues are allowed preferably on stands so as not to damage the grassed areas.

7. Dogs and Cats:

Dogs are allowed on site providing they are kept on a lead near to their car/tent/caravan, and do not cause a nuisance to other members, or are likely to worry farm stock. Toileting and exercising should be away from the camping areas.

Cats should not be allowed to roam free and should be kept close to their car/tent/caravan.

All dog and cat excrement should be disposed of by the owner sensibly.

8. Noise:

Sound levels from TVs, radios, and generators should be kept as low as is practicable to avoid annoyance to other members.

9. Security:

Campers are responsible for their own equipment and the Club accepts no liability for damage or loss of equipment. Caravans, tents, motorhomes and cars should not be left unoccupied overnight. Limited parking is available at Stoup Farm, charges paid direct to Mr Hunter. Please keep all gates on the access track closed to prevent stock from straying.

10. Health and Safety:

Please be aware that three poisonous plants grow on the site, Hemlock, Bittersweet and Spurge. Please take care that children do not chew the leaves or eat the berries. Seek immediate medical attention if you suspect they may have.

11. Footpaths adjacent to the site:

A path along the prison fence crosses the north of the site and is used by 'locals' for access to the beach.

Nudity is not permitted outside the perimeter fence, on the track or in the dunes. We are within our rights to be nude within the camping areas and anyone who objects to this would be trespassing on private land in order to see us. In this case he/she could be prosecuted under the 'Justices of the Peace Act. 1316' for conduct that is likely to cause a breach of the peace and includes the 'Peeping Tom' offence. Identification would be needed in order to proceed with any charges.

12. Visitors:

Visitors are welcomed to the site. They should have been in contact with a club member in order to gain access via the gate and track. Visitors who gain access from the beach should be approached to verify if their visit is with a view to joining. Any visitors wishing to become a member should be given a membership form to completion which they will be required, if applicable, to give BN/INF membership numbers and other clubs they are or have been a member of. On acceptance of the information on the completed form, membership will or will not be granted and a payment of the annual membership fee is required.

13. Photographs / Videos:

Please request permission before taking any photos of other members on site. Publication of photos and videos taken on private property without a signed consent form may result in prosecution for damages.

14. Disciplinary Procedures.

If any members have any concerns regarding the Club rules, please discuss this with the officers of the Club or a member of the committee.

Persistent disregard of the rules may result in the withdrawal of membership.

NOTE:

The Officials and the Committee are not obliged in any way to give reasons why membership is terminated or refused to any individual or individuals.