

NOTES FOR ATTENDEES

Free Family Fun Afternoon
For 11 and under
including siblings and parents

Maldon Promenade Park & Cooks Quay.
Thursday 23rd August starting at 1pm.

We look forward to welcoming you all to an exciting fun-packed activity afternoon in Maldon. Please read the following notes.

Directions to Venue

Address: Promenade Park, Park Drive, Maldon
For Sat Navs use CM9 5JQ.

Come Prepared

1. Please ensure children wear suitable clothing and footwear with good support and grip for activities and play. Flip flops, jellies and rubber clogs are not suitable. Children will be required to walk up and (backwards) down stairs aboard the barge. This will be supervised.
2. Please ensure sun-cream is applied to children prior to the start and following the Splash Park session.
3. Parents are responsible for their own children except during the onboard activities (unless assisting with stewarding duties).

Programme of activities

13.00 WELCOME

13.00-13.20 Crabbing Quayside at Cooks Yard.

Join us by the Thames Barge Trust at the Quayside at 1.00pm. This is a free activity and all equipment including bait will be provided.

If you have your own reel and bucket you are welcome to bring that with you. **Parents** Please look after your children to ensure they remain seated during this activity and stay at a safe distance from the quayside.

13.30-14.30 Thames Barge activities. All activities aboard our Thames Barge are free and supervised. Lead by Thames Trust volunteers who are used to working with children and delivering an appropriate activity programme. The children will receive a free activity pack for the guided 1 hour session that they will take away. Plus there are two competitions following the visit included in the pack to make a Model barge and colour it in and for drawings of the barge. Both can be submitted to Jeremy at HSC via email southgatedesign@hotmail.com by the end of the month. HSC reserves the right to publish entries via digital and print across club sites/publications. Prizes are awarded for all entries.

Notes for visitors going aboard Pudge

First Aid: HSC will provide First Aider and Kit.

If your child has any allergies to: plasters, disinfectant creams or liquids please advise Jeremy on the day. Please provide advise/alternative medication.

Safety: Adults and children will receive a safety talk at the start. There is a guard rail around the deck and the children will be supervised by trained and volunteer adults at all times. There is a no running policy onboard at any time.

Toilets: There are public facilities around the Promenade Park, also aboard the barge tearoom Resourceful. Please ensure children have been to the toilet before boarding Pudge. Facilities may not be available onboard.

14.35 Playground: Pirate Ship and other activities
(free play under parent supervision)

14.50 Splash Park participants change into swimwear.

15.00-15.30 Splash Park. HSC have arranged a pre-booked 30 minute Splash Park session at the group rate of £2.25 per child. This is payable in advance by cash only. Please advise Jeremy immediately if you DO NOT wish for your child to be included in this activity by sending notification to southgatedesign@hotmail.com with No Splash Park in the subject line and name(s) of child(ren).

Place cash payments in a sealed envelope marked with your name and child(ren)'s name and total and place in the club postbox or alternatively

give to Donna, Christina or Jeremy.
Please ensure your cash payment reaches us as soon as possible ahead of the event. Thank you.

Notes for users of the Splash Park

Clothing Please wear appropriate swimwear and swim nappies (if required). Please avoid any little mishaps as the centre may need to close for up to four hours for cleansing purposes. Children with any cuts, grazes or veruccas **MUST** wear waterproof dressings.

For your safety Please do not bring water pistols, plastic bottles, glass bottles, or food into the Splash Park. Do not drink water in the Splash Park, although this is clean water, it is not advisable to drink from it. Do not run or climb in the Splash Park.

First Aid: The Splash Park have a first aid station. HSC will also provide a first aid kit and first aider.

15.30 HSC activities end. As well as the playground there is also a skate park that the children can use for free under parent supervision. Children must bring safety equipment (helmet and pads) along with skates, bike or skateboard. This is located alongside the car park.

General notices

Food and beverages Food and beverages are available to purchase from many vendors at Promenade Park. We can highly recommend The Barge Tearooms aboard 'Resourceful' the last Thames motor barge to be built in 1933. This is moored just around the corner from Pudge.

Dogs: Well behaved dogs are welcome in the park but are not allowed on Pudge, in the children's playground or Splash Park. We would ask that dogs are kept on leads and away from children during the crabbing event.

Parking: Parking in Promenade Park, Park Drive, Maldon CM9 5JQ costs £5.50 for up to 4 hours. From the car park the Thames Barge Trust in Cooks Yard is approximately a 5 minute walk.

First Aid: HSC will provide a first aid kit and first aider.

Toilets: There are public facilities around the Promenade Park, also aboard the barge tearoom Resourceful.

Volunteers: HSC would appreciate help with stewarding from three or four parents during activities aboard Pudge. Unfortunately there is not space for all parents to board Pudge for safety reasons during the session. Offers of help would be much appreciated in advance via email to southgatedesign@hotmail.com and will be announced at the welcome at 1.00pm.

Safety Notice

The Thames Barge Trust have advised that it is not necessary for children to wear lifevests as the barge will be docked and the tide will be out. There is a safety rail around the barge and children are under supervision at all times. **At all other times parents/guardians are responsible for their children.**

Programme in brief

13.00	Arrival at venue for crabbing Quayside alongside Thames Barge Trust in Cooks Yard
13.20	Prepare to board the Thames Barge Pudge
13.30	On board activities begin (approx. 60 minutes)
14.30	Parents meet children at quay alongside Thames Barge Trust. Activities on board Pudge finish.
14.35	Pirate ship playground free play.
14.50	Splash Park participants change to swimwear
15.00	Splash Park booked for 30 minute session
15.30	Splash Park session ends
15.30	HSC activities end. Free play available under parent supervision (car park closes at dusk).

Contact us

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