

Kingswood Camp Canoes, Paddle Boards and Equipment for GGC Use

Kingswood Camp has canoes and paddleboards available for rental by Girl Guide groups, either during an overnight camp or day use.

Rental Booking: ONLINE @

<https://www.svigailguides.bc.ca/camp-booking-information>

Rates: \$10 per day per canoe/paddleboard, including PFDs, paddles, throw bags, bailers and hand/electric pumps.

Fees for canoes and paddle boards will be withdrawn from the Unit bank account within 14 days of the rental date. The Canoe-Paddleboard Rental – All Users form was provided to you at time of booking and must be submitted via email as directed on the form. Booking deposit and payment procedures for canoe rental are provided in the “Payment and Subsidy Procedures” document at www.svigailguides.bc.ca/camps.

Safe Guide forms must include submission as a yellow level water activity for GGC facilitated canoeing at Kingswood Camp. For Paddleboarding, Safe Guide requires advanced certification in order to conduct a training session with girls. SVI Area recommends that leaders who are interested contact a qualified provider. Safe Guide requires that the girls must be with a certified instructor. Information regarding a contact person for this, is available at sviareacampbookings@gmail.com if interested.

Equipment Available:

Kingswood has 10 canoes of a basic and various design suitable for flatwater paddling.

Canoe #	Colour	Canoe Model
1	Dark Green	Clipper Tripper
2	Yellow	Clipper Cascade
3	Red	Clipper Tripper
4	Turquoise	Clipper Ranger
5	White	Clipper Tripper
6	White	Clipper Yukon
7	Dull Red	Frontiersman
8	Green	Coleman
9	Dark Green	Frontiersman
10	Red (blue paint under red)	Frontiersman

Note: The 2 white Clipper canoes are in the newest condition, so adults should use these canoes if possible.

Paddle boards: SVI Area has four stand-up paddleboards available which include backpacks with all the gear, including the hand and electric pumps and paddles. They are stored on the shelves in the garage, and the rolled up, deflated paddle boards are under the PFDs. These must be inflated, then deflated again after use.

PFDs & safety equipment

- PFDs, throw ropes of appropriate standard, bailers & paddles are in the garage beside the cottage. The canoe keys in the kiosk include the garage door key, canoe lock key and Bill Reith gate key.
- The PFDs to use are on hangers with larger sizes at the cottage rear on the left. As you move right and go to the other rack, the sizes will go from Large to Medium to Small and X-Small. You must ensure that each participant is properly fitted with their PFD – the new ones are very adjustable.
- Paddle board backpacks with all necessary accessories are on the garage shelves. The deflated and rolled up paddle boards are under the PFDs.

Important Information

- Canoes are stored on racks at the Bill Reith site with cables/chains and locks to provide some security from theft. The canoes and rack positions are numbered. The canoes should be returned with the number facing the camp (this is the stern of each of the canoes). Adults should remove the canoes 1 to 6 from the racks by lifting off and carrying bow and stern with the canoe upside down (as if portaging) to the area by the Bill Reith shelter. Canoes 7 to 9 can be pulled off the rack and moved right side up.
- Safety equipment can then be loaded in the canoes and girls can assist with carrying the canoes to the lake launch site, with 4 to a canoe. The launch site is off the main trail a few meters down the trail. Caution participants about the large roots when walking to the lake launch site.
- Ensure the gate is locked during canoeing activity.
- At the launch, each canoe should be put fully in the water with the bow facing into the lake. Avoid dragging the canoes over the tree roots. Bow paddler gets into the canoe first, followed by the stern paddler who pushes off. There are water lilies and milfoil that you need to paddle through to get to clearer water.

Returning Canoes and Equipment after use

- When canoeing/paddle board activity is finished, if the canoes are dirty, please rinse them off inside and out using the hose at the Bill Reith site. Return the canoes to the racks in upside down position, coil lines and tuck inside canoes. Secure the canoes with cables/chains and locks. Ensure the gate is locked when finished.
- Return the PFD's, paddles, bailers and throw bags to the garage. Please keep the PFDs grouped in their sizes (larger at the rear of the garage, smaller on the side).
- If anything is wet, dry it out and if necessary, alert Camp Site Manager at ggckingswood@gmail.com, so they can put in another location to dry if necessary (ie: after canoeing in rain or practicing rescues).