JETTY WASHING CHECKLIST

Introduction

Thank you for helping to keep our jetty clean and free from weed and mud which can make it slippery. The jetty is best cleaned as the tide recedes making the mud softer and easier to remove.

Clothing

Jetty washing is a messy job and volunteers should bring appropriate clothing and be prepared to get wet and muddy, especially your shoes and trousers. Rubber boots and waterproof trousers are suggested, especially in colder weather. This is an ideal job to volunteer for if an active dinghy racing sailor or paddler as it can be undertaken in wet gear before showering and changing.

Equipment

All the equipment required is stored under the Clubhouse (bosun's locker) at the rear and is accessed by opening the gates where the lawn mowers are stored (combination lock no: 1955). The entrance to the store is on the right once under the Clubhouse. In the store there is:

- 1 x Hose Reel (green trolley)
- 2 x Petrol Driven Pressure Washers
- Scrapers

Set-up

1. Check petrol in Pressure Washer tank is full (petrol is stored in Safety Boat garage).
2. Take washers down the jetty to where you intend starting (always work down the jetty).
3. Reel out all the hose and connect to one end to Pressure Washer and and the other to the tap in the wash down area. Turn water on. If the water is not on there is a switch in the lobby above the race box door to switch the water on.
4. Switch on fuel and electrics, put on full choke.
5. Hold Pressure Washer nozzle trigger open and pull to start engine (If you don't hold trigger open the pressure builds up and you cannot pull fast enough to start the engine).
6. Once engine is started, turn choke off, let engine settle at mid/high revs and start washing.

Note: If just mud use wide nozzle.
        If weed use narrow nozzle.

Scraping

If the mud and weed is particularly thick it may be necessary to scrape the bulk off, using the scrapers, before pressure washing.

When finished, if safety boat garage still open, please top up petrol for next time – thank you.