HPYC Safety Boat Checks for Safety Boat Crews. March 2023.

Before you go afloat.

Fuel

- 1. Ensure that the fuel tank is full and the air bleed screw on the fuel cap is undone.
- 2. Check the fuel line for any leaks.
- 3. Ensure that the fuel tank is secured properly and the fuel line is free of kinks.

Engine.

- 1. Turn on the battery isolator if fitted.
- 2. Operate the hydraulic tilt lift and check for oil leaks.
- 3. Check the propeller is sound.

Steering Gear.

1. Check that the steering is free and all connections to the engine are tight.

Boat Equipment.

Ensure that the following items are in the boat and are not damaged:

- 1. Two paddles.
- 2. One boat hook.
- 3. One kill cord (connected to the throttle unit) one spare kill cord attached to the boat.
- 4. Boat anchor permanently connected. Spare anchor in the locker.
- 5. Two throwing lines and one safety line. Check towing bridle.
- 6. Club burgee.
- 7. Check the emergency knife and ensure that it is stowed correctly.
- 8. Lifebuoy (discretional)
- 9. Collect first aid box from the race tower.

BUNGS:

Rover has 1 bung located in the well below the engine. Ensure that it is screwed in. Logic has 2 bungs located in the lower part of the transom. Ensure they are screw in.

Radio.

- 1. Raise and secure the radio aerial.
- 2. Check that the radio is working and set to channel P4.

Coming Ashore.

- 1. The safety boat skipper must direct all winching operations and the crew member must assist in keeping the ramp clear.
- 2. The boat must be washed down and the engine flushed with fresh water. Drain the tank on Royer.
- 3. Ensure that the first aid kit is returned to the race tower and the boat is properly stowed in the garage.
- 4. Ensure that the radio is turned off and the battery isolator is turned off.
- 5. Any defects must be written on the board adjacent to the course board and in any case reported to the OOD.