

HENLEY SEA CADETS



OUR UNIT HISTORY

Henley Unit was started during Warship week in 1942. Henley town helped raise money to adopt a net-layer called HMS Guardian.

The unit has been in several locations in the town over the years - at Gravel Hill by the Fire Station, the Drill Hall in Friday Street and at its present location on the Wargrave Road.

Originally there wasn't a building here and cadets had to wade through nettles to get to the drill square behind the big plane tree.

The current unit headquarters was built in 1950 and then extended in 1994 to include a new toilet and shower block as well as extra classrooms.

RMCD

On 6th July 2012 the Henley Royal Marines Cadet Detachment was formed.

WHO WE ARE

As part of the Sea Cadets, Royal Marines Cadets (RMC) get to do all the exciting waterborne activities as well as branching off into serious adventurous training too.

Specialising in areas such as orienteering, fieldcraft and weapon handling and then taking part in training sessions across the country to test their navigational skills, Royal Marine Cadets regularly challenge themselves as they work together as a team.

Royal Marines Cadets are based in Detachments which sit in Sea cadet units, and across the UK there are currently 117.



Henley Royal Marines Cadets are currently recruiting new members. So, if you are aged 13 years or over, get in touch or call into our unit headquarters on a Monday or Friday evening to find out more and have a look around.

You can join at 13 and can stay on until you reach 18, at which point you can think about whether you might want to be a volunteer. You can then teach what you have learnt to the youngsters coming up through the ranks.

Find out more about our [history](#)

Find out more about [what we do](#)

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CURRENT LOCATION

We are currently located on a prime site near the centre of Henley on Thames, with our own private river frontage and grounds. These are leased to us by the Thamesfield Youth Trust.

We are very fortunate that the trustees are committed to only allowing the land to be used for the young people of Henley and surrounding areas, thus keeping developers away from the site.

RYA RECOGNISED TRAINING CENTRE

In 2005 the unit gained RYA recognition as a power boat and dinghy sailing training centre.

We regularly hold weekend training courses for cadets, where they can gain a nationally recognised boating qualification.

JOIN US

As a Sea Cadet you will test your talents and stamina and develop new skills to give you a head start in life.

You will also get the chance to make new friends and have fun.

You can join us as a cadet if you are 10-17.

Come and see us at our unit headquarters on the Wargrave Road to find out more and meet the team!

JUNIOR CADETS (10-11)

This is about having fun and making friends. You'll take part in lots of events and activities like cooking, rowing and power boating, plus learn about first aid and communications.

SEA CADETS (12-17)

Get to grips with subjects both on water and land as part of basic training, all on a nautical theme. You can take part in courses and competitions ranging from swimming and shooting to 5-a-side football, power boating and sailing. These can give you a head start in life and boost your confidence, plus it's good fun.

ROYAL MARINES CADETS (13-17)

Do you thrive on a challenge? Pride yourself on your team work and strive to improve yourself? Then the Royal Marines Cadets could be for you!

Field Craft, Weapons Training, Map Reading and Drill are all included in the training and we offer exciting opportunities to take part in challenging training in the UK and abroad.

Royal Marines Cadets Detachments are an integral part of the Sea cadets with 114 Detachments in the UK.

Fundraising

As an independent charity, but part of the national Sea Cadets, your support is vital to us.

We rely on the goodwill of our local community and businesses for financial support.

Sea Cadets welcome donations, large or small which can help provide opportunities for our cadets.

Your donation can go straight to our Unit or via our branch teams which support lots of Units in a particular region or area. Or you can become a **member** of the national charity from just £25 a year.

How your donation can help....

- - £20 will pay for 20 metres of rope
- - £50 can help pay for the heating of a unit
- - £100 will pay for a new oar for a rowing boat
- - £270 will send a Sea Cadet on a week's trip on flagship TS Royalist
- - £1000 will help make vital health and safety upgrades for a Unit
- - £2500 will buy a new boat for a unit - which will have a useful life of at least 25 years, serving hundreds and hundreds of cadets.

We welcome larger Corporate donations too and if you would like to find out more about how you can fund the work of the charity nationally please visit: ms-sc.org

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