MEET THE TEAM





MR ED SIBSON DIRECTOR OF SAILING AND WATER SPORTS

I have been instructing dinghy sailing since 1999 and coaching fleet and team racing since 2005. I specialise in performance sailing and team racing: having team raced throughout university; been qualified as an RYA National Umpire; and raced International 14s, Cherubs and International Moths.

I joined RHS in September 2017 following a career in outdoor education centre management and independent work as an RYA Dinghy Coach Assessor, Racing Coach and Centre Inspector. I have coached many school and university team racers and am actively involved in training and assessing Dinghy Instructors and Race Coaches.

- RYA Coach Assessor training and assessing RYA Dinghy Instructors and inspecting Recognised Training Centres nationally since 2013.
- RYA Race Coach Level 2 Tutor training and assessing RYA Race Coaches nationally since 2017.
- Previously coached RYA Youth and Junior Team Racing National Champions, RYA
 Team Racing National Champions, BUSA Team Racing National Champions and
 Wilson Trophy (British Open Team Racing Championship) winners
- · Developed the RYA Team Racing Training Exercises Handbook
- · Currently producing a series of team racing tuition videos with the RYA.
- Current coach to winners of the Hoad Shield, NSSA Match Racing National Champions and BSDRA Keelboat Fleet Racing National Champions.

QUALIFICATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:

- · RYA Race Coach Level 3
- · RYA Race Coach Level 2 Tutor
- RYA Dinghy Coach Assessor (including keelboat and multihull)
- · RYA SailFoil Instructor
- · RYA National Umpire
- · RYA Regional Judge
- · RYA Powerboat and Start Windsurf Instructor
- · Professional in Outdoor Learning
- · Leading Practitioner of the Institute for Outdoor Learning



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MR J ANTHONY CHAPMAN ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF SAILING

I come from a background of high-performance sailing, competing in many international events in boats such as the 18ft skiff, Musto skiff, International Moth, 29er and 49er. I have a sound understanding of what it takes to get modern high performance skiffs round a race course that started when I was in the RYA National Youth Squads for the Hobie 405 and 29er. Top 10 results followed in both the 29er and Musto Skiff World Championships so I am well placed to advise and support sailors putting together international level campaigns.

Top level racing has also given me opportunities to campaign in the 18ft Skiff, 49er and International Moth. These classes have pitted me against the very best sailors in the world and this experience of dinghy competition at the highest level outside of the Olympics has taught me so much over the years that I now pass on to the sailors that I coach.

More recently I have competed in Hunter FI and Waszp National Championships and love the excitement that racing brings. A top ten finish in the Waszp National Championships within 3 months of starting to sail the boat was a pleasing result, as was winning the Hunter FI National Championship as part of a crew of 3 in this technical keelboat.

I started coaching in 2002 with one of the RYA Junior National Squads and am the current Head Coach for the Optimist East Region Training Group. I qualified as a Level 3 Race Coach in 2009 and have coached a wide range of RYA pathway classes at national level as well as for a range of national class associations including the RS Feva, RS 200, 29er and Musto Skiff.

Alongside race coaching, I also hold RYA Dinghy Senior and Advanced Instructor qualifications, along with RYA Keelboat, Powerboat and Intermediate Windsurfing Instructor qualifications. I am currently part of the RYA's Aspirant Coach Development Programme and am working towards a Coach Assessor appointment along with RYA YachtMaster and SailFoil Instructor qualifications.

My wider experience extends from operating my own RYA Recognised Training Centre to being a chandler and rigger. I am well experienced in repairing, modifying and improving racing boats and spend a large proportion of my time, when not on the water, ensuring that the RHS fleet are in the best possible racing condition.

In my spare time I enjoy sailing my 21ft cruiser, in which I have now explored a good proportion of the English coast.

QUALIFICATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:

- RYA Race Coach Level 3 qualified 2013
- · Head Coach RYA Optimist East Region Training Group
- RYA Senior Instructor with Advanced and Keelboat Endorsements
- RYA Powerboat and Intermediate Windsurf instructor



