

# Welcome to the Tullamore Canoe Club

Congratulations on completing your first ever course with the Tullamore Canoe Club! Here's a quick list of handy tips as you progress with your paddling career:

1. The phone number for club events is 086 8013072. This is updated every week, so check early in the week for what's going on that weekend. Also our website [www.tucc.ie](http://www.tucc.ie) has a full calendar designed to suit every member.
2. The club trips are great fun and provide a great opportunity to meet other paddlers. Give the trip organiser a call, get the details and sign up. Club members arrange transport to the appropriate paddling location. Gear and boats are allocated on a 1<sup>st</sup> come 1st serve basis and we will ask for a small fee to cover fuel and equipment maintenance.
3. As you are entitled to use club gear there is no rush in going out and buying boats or paddles or gear that is supplied. You are better off spending time determining what is best for you. One of the first things that you will want to buy is a wetsuit and booties. You can buy these in the Splashtac, Riverstyle, Pentland, the Camping Shop, Tullamore, The Great Outdoors, I- Canoe etc. (Web links below). You will receive an ICU (Irish Canoe Union) membership card for the coming year if you join the club, which entitles you to a 10% discount in the above outdoor stores upon presentation of this card.
4. If you are looking for a roof rack you can contact your local car dealer and get a price from them or you can get a "Thule" roof rack, specifically designed for water sports equipment. (Consort Motors 8375684 in Drumcondra fit these) The price difference varies with car and model. If are unsure of how to tie up boats on the roof rack, any club member will show you. Straps can be bought for €10-20 in any of the outdoor stores.
5. A good website for keeping up with general paddling news (gear for sale, water levels, events, etc...) is the Irish Freestyle website at <http://www.irishfreestyle.com>. Finally, there is a great social element to the club and both members and friends of members are more than welcome to these events.

Other weekends away and social events are currently being lined up so keep an eye on the website and calendar for further details.

If you have any queries on the Club or need assistance please do not hesitate to ring a member of the committee. Their numbers can be found on the website at [www.tucc.ie](http://www.tucc.ie)

## See you on the water!**Useful Web Links Are:**

TuCC Website	<a href="http://www.tucc.ie">http://www.tucc.ie</a>
Irish Canoe Union	<a href="http://www.canoe.ie">http://www.canoe.ie</a>
Rolling Techniques	<a href="http://www.qcckayaks.com/resources/roll_intro.asp">http://www.qcckayaks.com/resources/roll_intro.asp</a>
Irish Freestyle Website	<a href="http://www.irishfreestyle.com">http://www.irishfreestyle.com</a>
I- Canoe	<a href="http://www.i-canoe.com">http://www.i-canoe.com</a>
Splashtac	<a href="http://www.splashtac.com">http://www.splashtac.com</a>
The Great Outdoors	<a href="http://www.greatoutdoors.ie">http://www.greatoutdoors.ie</a>
River Style	<a href="http://www.riverstyle.com">http://www.riverstyle.com</a>