

Wakeboarding Trial Findings and Review Panel Recommendations
Report by Head of Safety Management

Summary: This report sets out the findings of the trial of recreational wakeboarding including 'getting air' on the River Yare and the views of the Water Ski Review Panel.

The Forum's views are sought on the proposals set out in section 7.

1 Background

- 1.1 At its meeting on the 15 June 2010 the Water Skiing Review Panel proposed a number of mitigation measures to be implemented for the 2011 season and also a proposal for a trial of wakeboarding to include 'getting air' in certain zones at certain times.
- 1.2 Following a consultation period the Broads Authority, at its meeting on the 17 September 2010, supported the recommendations of the Panel including the trial of wakeboarding allowing 'getting air' (see Appendix 1).
- 1.3 Over the winter of 2010 the mitigation measures were implemented, including:
 - re signage of the water skiing zones including changes in both times and geographic limits;
 - development of Permit conditions to reflect the trial of wakeboarding; and
 - monitoring systems were set up for the trial including increased ranger patrols.

2 The Wakeboarding Trial

- 2.1 The Wakeboarding trial period commenced on the 1 April 2011. Permit holders were sent letters setting out the conditions of the trial and permit conditions reflecting these terms (see Appendix 2).
- 2.2 Two water ski zones were allocated for the trial. Yare 3 "Cantley" was to be used for mixed use, both wakeboarding and water skiing and Yare 5 which was to be used for the trial only.
- 2.3 Wake boarders were required to log their activity with Broads Control prior to the commencement of the activity. This would allow information to be disseminated to Rangers in order that checks could be made. This method also allowed for the rapid analysis of usage data to feed into this review.

- 2.4 Of the 38 permits which were issued in 2011, only nine permit holders took part in the trial. These nine permit holders made a total of 60 visits to the Yare 3 Zone for 'getting air' and only one visit to the Yare 5 zone.
- 2.5 Of these 61 visits, over 50% of the visits were made by two permit holders. Of the nine permit holders who took part in the trial, seven had multiple visits and two visited only once.

3 Ranger Feedback

- 3.1 Over the season five Rangers have been involved in monitoring on land and water and wakeboarding has been seen on two occasions. Each time vessels were being helmed in accordance with the trial and no problems were witnessed.
- 3.2 Monitoring by the Rangers was difficult as wake boarders tended to book late on the day and usage was spread over each day of the week. This made it difficult to be on late duty on the right day and on several occasions, staff who were on duty either got involved in other matters or no wake boarders turned up.

4 Complaints

- 4.1 No complaints relating to the trial were received by Rangers or Broads Control.

5 User Feedback

- 5.1 Informal feedback was received by users taking part in wakeboarding who reported that they were very happy with the trial and had not received any complaints from other river users. They also commented that the slipway at Cantley (Yare 3) was good but could not be used at all tidal states and that the charge applied to the slipway which accessed Yare 5 zone was too high at £7 to encourage use.

6 Options for Consideration

- 6.1 The following options were presented to the Review Panel for consideration:
- (i) **Option 1**
Revert back to the original limits of the management of wakeboarding and waterskiing in not allowing users to get air.
 - (ii) **Option 2**
Allow the practice of 'getting air' to continue as defined in the trial in the zones previously used for the trial and requiring users to log on with Broads Control prior to their activity and hold a further review after one year.

- (iii) **Option 3**
Allow the practice of 'getting air' in all zones with requirement to log on and off with Broads Control.
- (iv) **Option 4**
Allow the practice of 'getting air' in all zones with no requirement to log on and off with Broads Control.

7 Review Panel Recommendations

- 7.1 The Panel considered that Option 2 should be recommended to the Authority but with the addition of the River Waveney Zone 1/2. This would demonstrate an incremental approach and would allow for the continued monitoring of the trial with the addition of the River Waveney.
- 7.2 In addition the Panel recommended that the times in Yare 1 zone were to be varied to bring the times in line with the other zones on the river Yare following a consultation with the rowing interests.

8 Consultation

- 8.1 The Broads Authority Act 2009 includes provisions enabling the Authority to regulate waterskiing and wakeboarding. They include a power to designate, to amend or revoke zones within the Authority's navigation area where these activities will be permitted.
- 8.2 At its meeting on 16 March 2012 the Authority will consider a report detailing the proposal to pass a resolution that certain zones where and times when these activities are currently permitted by virtue of the Authority's resolution on the 22 January 2010 and 17 September 2010 be amended to apply after 1 April 2012. These amended zones and times are set out in Appendix 2.
- 8.3 The effect of the proposed resolution will be to vary where and when waterskiing and wakeboarding may take place. The proposed variations are set out in Appendix 2. In addition from 1 April 2012 it is proposed that a trial be allowed for a period of one year for a form of wakeboarding including manoeuvres and momentarily leaving the surface of the water. The trial will be limited to six concurrent wake boarders in each of three zones, two zones on the River Yare numbered 3 and 5 and one zone on the River Waveney numbered 1 in Appendix 2.
- 8.4 Section 26(5)(a) of the 2009 Act requires the Authority, before it passes the proposed resolution, to consult:-
 - (a) such persons who own or occupy residential property, the amenity of which appears to the Authority likely to be affected by the proposed resolution; and
 - (b) Natural England and such organisations as appear to the Authority to represent persons likely to be affected by it.

- 8.5 The Review Panel specifically requested that before any variations were agreed for the River Yare Zone 1, Postwick to Bramerton, that a consultation was completed which included the Rowing interests which were likely to be affected in addition to the statutory consultees.
- 8.6 The public consultation started on the 25 January and will close on the 22 February. Members' views are welcomed on the proposed variations, and will be reported to the Broads Authority meeting in March 2012.

Background papers: Waterskiing Zones Mitigation and Wakeboarding Trial, Broads Authority 17/9/11

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APPENDIX 1

Broads Authority
17 September 2010
Agenda Item No 15

Water Skiing Zones Mitigation and Wakeboarding Trial Report by Head of Waterways Strategy and Safety

Summary: This report sets out proposed mitigation measures and variations to the Water Skiing Zones on the Broads and sets out a proposed trial of recreational wakeboarding.

Recommendations:

- (i) That the Authority notes the report.
- (ii) That the Authority agrees the recommendations at Section 4.5 and Section 5.10.

1 Background

- 1.1 The Broads Authority Act received Royal Assent in August 2009, which gave the Authority new powers to better manage waterskiing and wakeboarding.
- 1.2 The Broads Authority reviewed water skiing and wakeboarding in 2007 which identified a number of recommendations, most of which could not be implemented until powers had been granted in the Broads Authority Act.
- 1.3 The development of the new arrangements under the Act was split into two distinct phases.
- 1.4 Phase 1 sought to maintain the status quo and to confirm the existing water skiing zones and times and formalise the original voluntary management agreement into permit conditions. These came into force on 1 April 2010. The water ski and wakeboarding permit conditions included:
 - all drivers must hold Ski Boat Driver Award;
 - minimum level of insurance required;
 - boats must have passed a wash and noise test;
 - boats to have passed a steering check;
 - all drivers must be members of ERSC and British Water Ski;
 - requirement to annually submit log books; and
 - other conditions relating to navigational safety which were previously set out in byelaws.

- 1.5 Phase 2 develops the recommendations of the water-ski review which took place in 2007 which include:
- zone specific mitigation measures, e.g. amending zone areas or times;
 - reviewing of Wakeboarding and leaving the water including manoeuvres.

2 The Legal Agreement

- 2.1 As previously reported, a legal agreement between the Broads Authority, the Eastern Rivers Ski Club and British Water Ski sets out the process for implementing the provisions in the Act.
- 2.2 Part of this agreement details the establishment of a Stakeholder Panel, which has been re-established to undertake phase 2 of the review. User Groups were contacted in March 2010 to nominate representatives, with the first meeting being held on 20 April 2010, and the review was completed over an eight week period. The membership of the panel is as follows:

One representative from each of the following:

- Independent Chair appointed by the Broads Authority (Ian White)
- Broads Authority Member (David Broad)
- British Water Ski (Rachel Tallon)
- Broads Society (Peter Horsefield)
- Eastern Rivers Ski Club (Julian Barnwell)
- Eastern Sports Council now Sport England East (Philip Raisewell)
- Norfolk and Suffolk Boating Association (Prof Richard Card)
- RSPB (Tim Strudwick)
- Royal Yachting Association (Phil Ollier)

The work of the Panel has been supported by a number of officers of the Authority.

- 2.3 The Panel's role is to receive and consider reports relating to waterskiing and wakeboarding and to make recommendations to the Broads Authority on the implementation of the powers in the Act relating to waterskiing and wakeboarding based on the latest empirical evidence and information.
- 2.4 In particular it has collected evidence and views of relevant stakeholders on waterskiing and wakeboarding.

3 Consultation

- 3.1 The Act requires that consultation is required regarding any changes to the management of waterskiing and wakeboarding. The Act sets out that the Authority must consult local residents and those people whose amenity is, in the opinion of the Authority, likely to be affected by any proposed changes to

waterski zones and times. This consultation will run via Public Notice, correspondence and via Committees during July, August and September.

- 3.2 The proposals made by the Panel as set out in Sections 4 and 5 below, were considered firstly by the Broads Forum at its July 2010 meeting and subsequently by the Navigation Committee on the 2 September as part of the consultation process.

4 Development of New Arrangements Phase 2

- 4.1 The review re-examined the outputs from the water ski review of 2007, relating to both waterskiing and wakeboarding, which involved the review of complaints, analysis of water skiers logbooks giving usage of certain zones and timings, and through consultation also included a review of any new evidence submitted by the panel representatives.
- 4.2 Each of the Panel members was asked to submit new evidence on behalf of their interest to the panel for consideration. This evidence had to be objective and evidence based. It was agreed by the Panel that the review should concentrate on subjects and issues, which had changed from the original work detailed in the previously published water ski review of 2007.
- 4.3 At the first meeting, Panel members considered actions from the previous review one of which was to update the legal agreement to amend the membership of the Panel to ensure that all relevant users groups were represented, subsequently following the representative from the Broads Angling Strategy Group (Mark Casto) and the Broads Hire Boat Federation (Tony Howes) were invited.
- 4.4 The panel reviewed progress against the Water Ski Review Action Plan and focussed on those actions which could not be completed until the Broads Authority Act was in force.
- 4.5 Following assessment of usage and zone specific risk assessments, the Panel **recommended** the following water skiing zone mitigation proposals:

River Waveney

- W1 and W2 to be amalgamated into one zone once channel marker posts had been removed from a bend between the two existing zones. The upstream limit of the existing W1 zone is moved downstream by 100m to further avoid the busy junction of the River Waveney and Oulton Dyke.
- W3 the current downstream limit of the zone to be moved upstream 100m in order to remove the potential disruption to the BA moorings at Herringfleet.

River Yare

- Y1 times to change to add Saturdays, Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays 16:00 until sunset over the summer period and also to add Wednesdays and Fridays 13.00 until sunset over the winter period. However this would not be implemented until detailed consultation with rowing interests had been completed, and therefore will not form part of the Public Notice at this time.
- Y2 to alter the times on Saturdays during the summer period to delay the start to 16.00 running until sunset. Further mitigation was identified which proposed moving the downstream limit of the zone upstream to a point just below the pump house at Claxton. This has the effect of removing the activity of skiing away from the hard engineered banks in this section.
- Y3, Y4 and Y5 to alter the times on Saturdays during the summer period to 16:00 until sunset.

4.6 The Panel also recommended that additional boat census data should be gathered on traffic volume and nature of boat movements over four Saturdays during the summer period for the Y2 zone.

5 Wakeboarding

- 5.1 Currently under the existing permit conditions both water skiing and wakeboarding is restricted by a condition of the permit which states that “The Permit Holder and any Authorised Person must ensure that any water skier or wake boarder being towed remains in or on the water at all times during towing.”
- 5.2 The legal agreement defines water skiing and wakeboarding as separate activities, however it was identified at the drafting of the legal agreement that further work would be required to define or scope “momentarily and manoeuvres” with regard to these definitions.
- 5.3 British Water Ski and Eastern Rivers Ski club presented to the Panel examples of manoeuvres and skiers momentarily leaving the water in execution of certain manoeuvres. The panel were largely happy that this extension to the activity was unlikely to present an increase in safety concerns provided that certain boundaries were set.
- 5.4 The definitions within the legal agreement were therefore updated to include limiting both equipment and methods to be used (see Appendix A).
- 5.5 The Panel proposed a trial of water skiing and wakeboarding (which allows for ‘getting air’) and manoeuvres for a period of one year.

The Trial will be limited to two zones:

Yare 3 - mixed uses i.e. existing water skiing, wakeboarding (which includes 'getting air') and agreed manoeuvres.

Yare 5 - where only the activity of wakeboarding (which includes 'getting air') and agreed manoeuvres will be trialled. This is to allow data to be gathered during the trial to reflect the different uses of zones and the subsequent effects.

- 5.6 It is also proposed that the trial should be available to a limited number of participants.
- 5.7 It was agreed to limit the number of concurrent users 'getting air' in the trial zones to no more than six per trial zone. It is proposed that the day to day management of this be carried out by Broads Control whereby users would log their intent to wakeboard in the trial areas on a first come first served basis, but users would need to log with Broads Control before 6.00pm.
- 5.8 The Panel proposed further mitigation measures for the trial including:
- additional signage would be installed including repeater signs within the zones to remind users that they are to expect water skiing and wakeboarding;
 - signage at slipways at Cantley and Reedham, detailing the terms of the trial along with standard toll boards;
 - information will be distributed to users via the BA website and emailing clubs etc through the Notice to Mariners distribution list;
 - questionnaire will be developed to capture information from ERSC members regarding the trial and their experiences and expectations; and
 - permit holders and authorised persons will be limited to towing a single wake boarder.
- 5.9 The Panel proposed a monitoring regime for the trial which includes:
- users will be logged by Broads Control which will allow for rapid data gathering;
 - additional patrols will be carried out by Navigation Rangers who will gather video images where appropriate;
 - incidents and complaints will be recorded for further analysis following the end of the trial; and
 - Log Books will be amended to include provision of recording information regarding 'getting air' for further analysis which will indicate the distribution of activities throughout all of the zones.

- 5.10 It is proposed that from 1 April 2011 for a period of one year, a trial of waterskiing and wakeboarding (which allow for getting air) and manoeuvres takes place in waterski zones Yare 3 and Yare 5 with a maximum limit of six concurrent users per zone.

6 Wakeboarding Trial Management

- 6.1 Through powers obtained in the 2009 Act and the 1989 Act the Broads Authority, for the purposes of securing conditions conducive to the ease, convenience or safety of the navigation and the safety of persons and property in the navigation area, may issue directions. Section 28 of the 2009 Act gives particular powers to issue directions for the management of wakeboarding and water skiing.

- 6.2 Extract from Broads Authority Act 2009:

28 Directions as to water skiing and wake boarding

- (1) The Authority may display signs within or in the vicinity of a zone giving directions to persons engaging in water skiing or wake boarding, or intending to do so.
- (2) An authorised officer may also give such directions as are mentioned in subsection (1), and such directions need not be in writing, and may be given by any reasonable means.
- (3) A direction under subsection (1) or (2)—
 - (a) may prohibit water skiing or wake boarding temporarily, on the whole or any part of a zone, by any person other than participants in any event;
 - (b) may prohibit water skiing or wake boarding temporarily, on the whole or part of any zone, where in the opinion of the Authority or of an authorised officer such a prohibition is necessary in any emergency;
 - (c) may be given so as to restrict the numbers of persons engaging in water skiing or wake boarding on the whole or any part of a zone where in the reasonable opinion of the Authority or of an authorised officer this is necessary to prevent congestion or in the interests of safety.

- 6.3 The Panel were consulted on the use of these directions and were content that the use of these directions for the purpose of managing the trial was the most appropriate management tool.

7 Timescale

- July through August 2010 consultation on variation of times and locations of waterski zones
- July 2010 consultation with Broads Forum
- September 2010 consultation with Navigation Committee
- September 2010 Broads Authority resolution
- Winter 2010 to 2011, signs to be changed and erected where necessary.

- Trial runs from April 2011 to March 2012
- Sept/Oct 2011 interim review of trial in order to re-evaluate ready for the 2012 season.

8 Conclusion

- 8.1 The Panel concluded that existing arrangements to manage water skiing and wakeboarding are satisfactory. They have considered site specific risk assessments and addressed the outstanding issues to reduce risks in their recommendations. Variations to zones and times are also subject to public consultation and will be implemented from 1 April 2011 if agreed. The Panel also recommends a limited trial for manoeuvres to take place in summer 2011 to inform future management options, with further review to take place in autumn 2011.
- 8.2 The Broads Forum were consulted at their meeting on 22 July 2010 at which the forum largely supported the proposals, with only one forum member declaring severe reservations regarding the proposed wakeboarding trial and also seeking assurances that any incidents would be diligently logged.
- 8.3 The Navigation Committee at its meeting on the 2 September fully supported the Water Ski Stakeholder Panel proposals set out in section 4 and 5 relating to both the changes to the water ski zones and times and the trial of wakeboarding.
- 8.4 The public consultation prompted only 4 representations none of which raised any new issues that had not been previously considered by the Water Ski Stakeholder Panel.

Background papers: Broads Authority Act implementation, BA 20/11/2009
 Water Ski Review BA 29/06/2007
 Water Ski Stakeholder Panel meeting minutes 20th April 2010
 Water Ski Stakeholder Panel meeting minutes 15th June 2010

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Appendices: APPENDIX A – Agreement with British Waterski and the Eastern Rivers Ski Club

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Broads Authority Act 2009 ("the Act")

Agreement with British Waterski and the Eastern Rivers Ski Club

The aim of the Broads Authority's Act 2009 ("the Act") is to improve safety for the public on its navigation and modernise its constitution as set out in the Norfolk and Suffolk Broads Act 1988 ("the 1988 Act").

This Agreement sets out the Broads Authority's specific intentions in respect of the process for implementing those provisions in the Act relating to waterskiing and wakeboarding together with working definitions of those activities.

Signed by

 Chief Executive, Broads Authority

 Chief Executive Officer, British Water Ski & Wakeboard

 Eastern Rivers Ski Club Julian Barnwell Chairman

DATE 3/6/10

1. Purpose of this Agreement

The purpose of this Agreement is:-

- (a) To establish a framework for involving interested parties in the Authority's exercise of its powers in the Broads Authority Act to regulate waterskiing and wakeboarding.
- (b) To establish a Stakeholder Panel whose remit shall be to review and advise the Broads Authority on an appropriate management framework for waterskiing and wakeboarding.
- (c) To confirm the principles which the Authority will take into account in exercising its powers in the Broads Authority Act relating to waterskiing and wakeboarding.
- (d) To record a common understanding of the definitions of waterskiing and wakeboarding.

2. Establishment of Water Skiing Panel

The Broads Authority will establish a Panel with a membership, terms of reference and modus operandi as follows:-

(a) Membership

The Panel will comprise 1 representative of each of the following:-

- Independent Chair appointed by Broads Authority
- Broads Authority Member
- British Water Ski & Wakeboard
- Broads Society
- Eastern Rivers Ski Club
- Eastern Sports Council
- Norfolk and Suffolk Boating Association
- RSPB
- RYA
- Broads Hire Boat Federation
- Broads Angling Strategy Group

(b) Role of the Panel

To receive and consider reports relating to waterskiing and wakeboarding and to make recommendations to the Broads Authority on the implementation of the powers in the Act relating to waterskiing and wakeboarding based on the latest empirical evidence and information.

In particular it will collect evidence and views of relevant stakeholders on waterskiing and wakeboarding and then consider the following:-

- o The establishment and variation of zones, and the times during which and conditions under which these activities will be permitted.
- o The conditions and overall number of permits.
- o The principles to be followed in respect of the cancellation and amendment of permits.
- o The principles applicable to the appeal process.
- o The principles applicable to the giving of Directions.

(c) Consultative Process

The Panel will receive and consider proposals with a view to making recommendations to be considered firstly by the Broads Forum and the Navigation Committee as part of the consultation process and then by the full Broads Authority who will take the final decisions on the proposals.

(d) Panel Procedures

The Panel will be expected to consider all the evidence, reflect on it and seek to reach a consensus on its recommendations to the Broads Authority on the management of the activity. It will need to seek the advice of Broads Authority staff, independent experts and anyone else who is appropriate. It will be serviced by Broads Authority staff but will need to develop and agree its own procedures, to include the calling of meetings and the mechanism for reporting back to the Authority.

(e) Periodic Review

The Authority, in consultation with the Panel, will review these arrangements from time to time as appropriate. No changes will be made without the agreement of both the Panel and the Authority.

3. Overall Principles to Apply to the Exercise of the Authority's Powers

The Authority agrees that in exercising its powers in respect of waterskiing and wakeboarding, it will take account of the following principles:-

- Ensuring safety for all users of the navigation area;
- The conserving and enhancing of the natural beauty, wildlife and cultural heritage of the Broads, promoting opportunities for the understanding and the enjoyment of the special qualities of the Broads by the public; and
- Protecting the interests of navigation.

4.1 Definitions

It should be noted that Waterskiing and Wakeboarding is enjoyed in the Broads as a family, entry level and recreational activity. No competitive or tournament activities take place in the Broads

watercraft or any similar activity. Against this background the Authority confirms that it will work to the following definitions of waterskiing and wakeboarding: -

(a) i) Waterskiing

"The towing of a person on, over, or above water, (including the crossing of boat wakes) by a boat or other mechanical means through the person's use of external apparatus or equipment designed for that purpose, or the application of the natural physiology of the human body.

Such tow may be by use of a rope with handle(s) or other similar apparatus, or a solid tow bar, but does not include apparatus specifically designed to keep the user airborne for indefinite periods."

The Broads Authority generically recognises the following activities (as defined) as recognised forms of water skiing: -

ii) Classic Water Skiing

"Water skiing as defined is, where the participant(s) use either a single ski (mono ski) or a pair of skis (combination skis) designed or manufactured for that purpose, and attached to the feet by bindings or boots predominantly located parallel to the ski(s), as the method by which to travel on or over water, or above water momentarily in performing a manoeuvre or wake crossings."

iii) Kneeboard

"Water skiing as defined where the participants(s) kneel, lie, or sit on a pre-formed kneeboard or disc designed or manufactured for that purpose, as the method by which to travel on or over water, or above water momentarily in performing a manoeuvre(s) or wake crossings."

iv) Barefoot

"Water skiing as defined, where the participant(s) ski by the physiological use of their feet and/or hands being in contact with the water, (and without equipment other than to precipitate the tow) as the method by which to travel on or over water, or above water momentarily in performing a manoeuvre(s) or wake crossings."

Waterskiing does not include jet skiing, parascending, air chairs, inflatable's or (on the Norfolk and Suffolk Broads only) ski jumping or any similar activity. Similarly, banks starts are also excluded.

"Under the terms of the Act wakeboarding is legally distinct from waterskiing. In practical terms it is a refinement of waterskiing as defined, where the participant(s) use a pre-formed elliptical wakeboard designed or manufactured for that purpose, and attached to the feet by bindings or boots predominantly located at an angle acute to the parallel, as the method by which to travel on or over water, or above water momentarily in performing a manoeuvre(s) or wake crossings." The use of ballast and/or excessive weight in the towboat (eg through the carriage of passengers in excess of manufacturers recommendations) is not permitted, nor is the creation of a sustained wave, against a bank, of more than 300mm (12 inches) in height from trough to crest.

- 4.2 Permitted equipment that can be used in support of the above activities is to be limited to: the authorised vessel, tow rope, kneeboard, wakeboard, or ski's, and boom,

These matters will, if necessary, be referred to the Panel for consideration and also be the subject of consultation between the parties to this Agreement.

5. Changes to this Agreement

No changes will be made to this Agreement without the written agreement of British Water Ski & Wakeboard and the Eastern Rivers Ski Club.

Consultation Schedule

Variation of times

**River Yare,
Stretch of Water**

Zone 1 From a point 800 metres (875 yards) downstream of the outfall of the Norwich sewage treatment works at Whitlingham to the upstream end of the frontage of the Woods End Public House at Bramerton.
No change to Zone

Times

a Between the 21st March and the 30th September in any year: between 1600 hours and sunset on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays and Public Holidays

Summary of change

Current times are limited to Wednesdays, Fridays, Sundays and Public Holidays between 1600 hours and sunset, the proposed change adds Mondays and Saturdays between 1600 hours and sunset.

b Between the 1st October and 20th March in any year: between 1300 hours and sunset on Sundays and Public Holidays

No change to Times

Zones to be used for Wake Boarding Trial

**River Yare,
Stretch of Water**

Zone 3 From a point 400 metres (437 yards) downstream of the old Ferry Dock at the Beauchamp Arms Hotel to a point 400 metres (437 yards) upstream of the Red House at Cantley.
No change to Zone

Times

a Between the 21st March and the 30th September in any year: between 1600 hours and sunset on any day.
No Change to Times

b Between the 1st October and 20th March in any year: between 1300 hours and sunset on Sundays and between 0900 hours and sunset on any other day.

No change to Times

Zone 5 From a point 400 metres (437 yards) downstream of the confluence of Haddiscoe New Cut and the River Yare to a point 400 metres (437 yards) upstream of Upper Seven Mile House.
No change to Zone

List of Consultees

Persons who own or occupy residential property adjacent to the Water Ski Zones.

Natural England

Somerleyton Hall

RSPB – Strumpshaw

Eastern Rivers Water Ski Club

Norfolk & Suffolk Boating Association

Country Landowners Association

BHBF

BASG

Amateur Rowing Association

British Canoe Union

Broads Society

Inland Waterways Association

British Water Ski and Wakeboard

Norwich School Boat Club

Broadland Boat Club

Norfolk Skiff Club

Norwich Rowing Club

Norwich Canoe Club

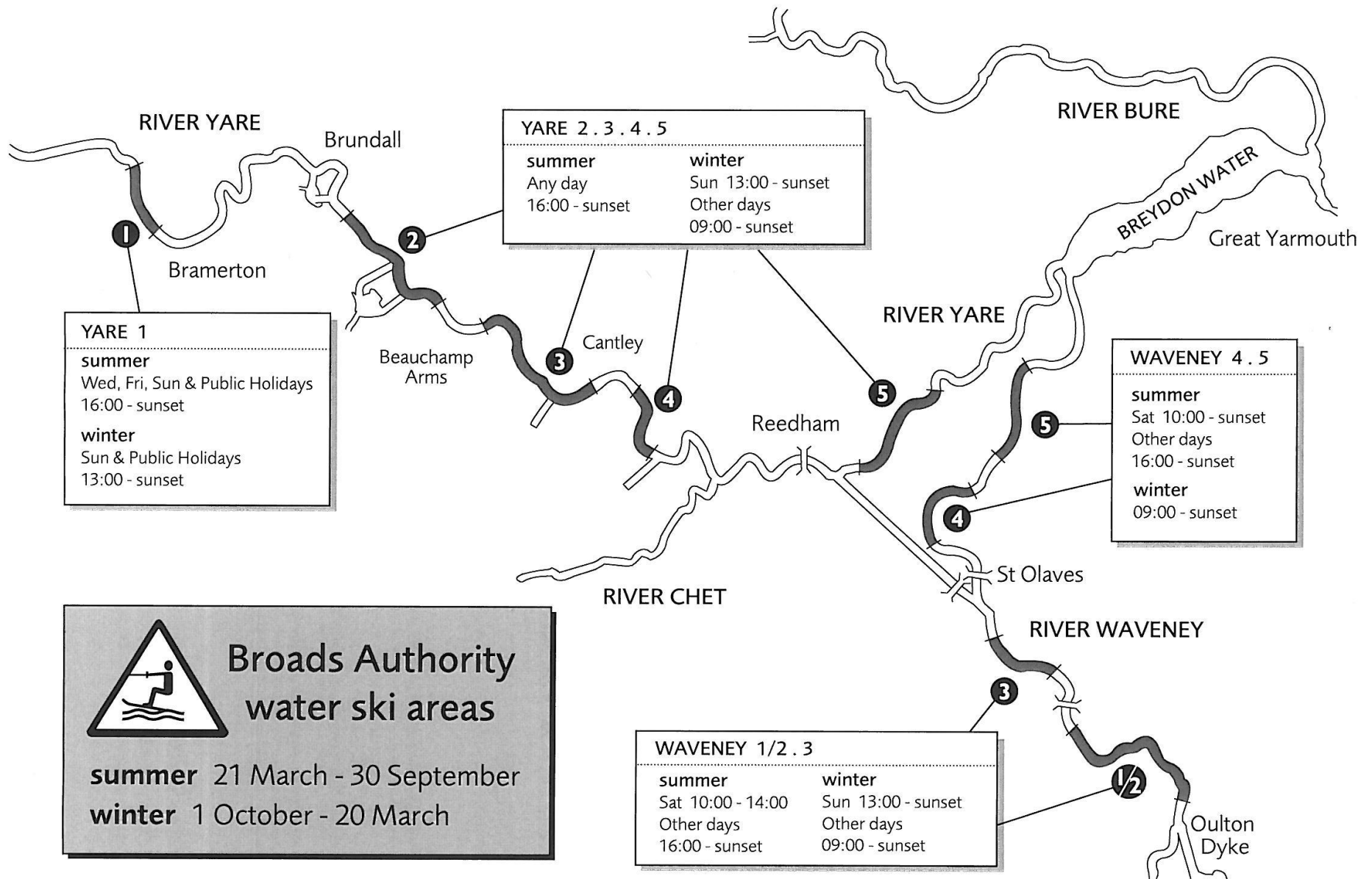

Lowestoft Rowing Club

Beccles Rowing Club

Norwich High School Rowing Club

Yare Boat Club

UEA Boat Club

**Broads Authority
water ski areas**

summer 21 March - 30 September
winter 1 October - 20 March