

## RYA Children's Powerboat Courses

2004 saw the extension of the National Powerboat Scheme courses to children aged 8 and over.

Children aged 8 + can take the Level 1 course. This is the same as the adult course with the exception that the children won't get hands on involvement in launching. This one day course covers safety, preparing the boat and crew, boat handling, launch & recovery, securing to a mooring buoy, leaving and coming alongside pontoons and being towed.



*Hannah & Sam Glatzel practicing knots*

Children aged 12 + can take the two day Level 2 course. This covers the areas covered in the Level 1 syllabus but adds in subjects like anchoring, man overboard, collision regulations, charts and tides and many other areas.

Some thoughts borne from our experience:

- We would always suggest that your son/daughter brings a friend if at all possible as they will enjoy things more if they have someone they know with them.
- Unless your child is already an active boater we would err towards them attending the one day Level 1 course in preference to Level 2. This will whet their appetite for more rather than risk overdoing it over a long intensive two days.

In addition to our Instructors Vivien Glatzel will also oversee all courses in a pastoral capacity to ensure the children have a great time and really enjoy themselves. She also doubles as our Child Protection Coordinator.

We are delighted to be able to offer these courses to you. As a family orientated school with our own children keen to attend the courses we know what children enjoy and how to get the best from them.



*"This will not come undone"*

Please call us on 01202 686666 to discuss any aspect of this course.