

# LEA R.C. SUBS '24-25



**Membership subs for the 2024-25 season are due by 31<sup>st</sup> October.**

To pay your subs, [click here](#).

## What's changed?

Most subs have increased 5% for 2024-25, in line with inflation, as is our usual practice. Details overleaf.

We are confident that our subs represent great value for money. We did not raise fees between 2020 and 2022, in recognition of our members' support throughout the pandemic. They remain 10-20% cheaper than other rowing clubs in the London area – and each year the club spends about double what we charge.

However, we do recognise that the current economic situation may make paying subs difficult for some. We will do everything we can to support any member who needs help paying. If you have any questions or worries, please email [membership@learc.org.uk](mailto:membership@learc.org.uk) and we will assist.

*Rowing Committee, September 2024*

## Frequently asked questions

**When is my membership valid?** Our membership year runs from 1st October – 30th September.

**When is payment due?** By 31<sup>st</sup> October.

**What happens if I don't pay?** Anyone that has not paid (or made alternative arrangements) by the last day of October will not be permitted to use Club facilities. Note that the Club reserves the right to terminate membership at any time if payment is not made.

**How do I pay?** We use a system called GoCardless, which will arrange a direct debit payment with your bank. Please follow this link to pay: [click here](#).

**Can I pay in instalments?** The standard form of payment is a single payment in October. But we offer an alternative of four equal instalments taken by direct debit, the first in October, and the remaining three in the following three months. You'll see this option on the payment page.

**Can I pay by bank transfer?** No - please use the GoCardless system. It will save us a lot of time and allow us to administer fees more easily with the limited time our volunteers have available. If you have any problems using the system, please contact [membership@learc.org.uk](mailto:membership@learc.org.uk).

**What can I do if I can't pay?** We are very keen to keep rowing accessible to all. The Club may be able to offer an alternative payment scheme, bursary, reduction or waiver of fees. If you are worried about your ability to pay, email [membership@learc.org.uk](mailto:membership@learc.org.uk) or speak with the Captain in confidence.

**What are the conditions of membership?** Paying subs does not automatically make you a member – you must first contact us to discuss joining. Your membership is subject to the provisions of the Club's Articles of Association, the Club Rules and its policies and codes of conduct from time to time in force. Full details are given on the membership form which you will be asked to complete.

**What do subs fund?** As you might expect, subs fund rowing activities. This includes equipment maintenance, transport, insurance, licence fees, and more. Subs do not cover coaching, new equipment, nor do they cover the costs of running the building. These are currently mostly funded by other income sources (facilities hire, fundraising, learn to row classes, grants and donations). Members' time and support in these activities is very welcome!

## Membership classes & notes

Membership class	Adult Full	Adult Student/75+ <sup>2</sup>	Adult Recreational <sup>4</sup>	Private Sculler <sup>5</sup>	Junior Full <sup>6</sup>	Junior Club <sup>7</sup>	Cox / Coach <sup>3</sup>
Use the water	✓	✓	<i>off-peak hours</i>	<i>off-peak hours</i>	✓	<i>limited sessions</i>	✓
Use the club gym	✓	✓			✓	<i>limited sessions</i>	
Row in club crew boats	✓	✓	<i>in stable boats</i>		✓	✓	
Row in club small boats	<i>w/permission</i>	<i>w/permission</i>	<i>in stable boats</i>		<i>w/permission</i>	<i>w/permission</i>	
Cox club boats	✓	✓	<i>in stable boats</i>		✓	✓	✓
Race under the club name	✓	✓	<i>in stable boats</i>	✓	✓	<i>some opportunity</i>	✓
Vote at general meetings	✓	✓	✓	✓	<i>if 16+</i>	<i>if 16+</i>	✓
Rack a private boat	<i>addtl cost<sup>1</sup></i>	<i>addtl cost<sup>1</sup></i>	<i>addtl cost<sup>1</sup></i>	<i>1 seat incl. <sup>1</sup></i>	<i>addtl cost<sup>1</sup></i>		
<b>Annual subscription</b>	<b>£585</b>	<b>£293</b>	<b>£401</b>	<b>£559</b>	<b>£585</b>	<b>£557</b>	<b>£45</b>

- Racking:** Boat racking may be available to Club members at a cost of **£226 per seat**. The first seat is included for those holding Private sculler membership. To enquire, contact [membership@learc.org.uk](mailto:membership@learc.org.uk)
- Student/75+ membership:** ~50% of full subs. This is available to registered students in full-time education, or those over 75 only.
- Cox & coach membership:** This is intended for those that purely cox or coach. Coxes and coaches that wish to also row/scull/use the gym should hold another class of membership.
- Recreational membership:** This is intended for those that wish to enjoy rowing but do not wish to compete regularly. You may use designated stable rowing boats during set times. Gym usage may sometimes be possible in off-peak times, but only with explicit permission from the Captain. Recreational membership is cheaper to reflect these restrictions.
- Private sculler membership:** This is intended for those racking private boats, who do not use club equipment. Note: this is dependent on racking space availability. Contact [membership@learc.org.uk](mailto:membership@learc.org.uk).
- Junior full membership:** This is intended for members of our Junior Performance and Development squads, aged 12-18, taking part in supervised sessions.
- Junior club squad:** This is intended for members of our Junior Club and Club+ squads, aged 12-18. This membership is cheaper, to reflect the more limited number of supervised sessions for these squads.
- Family discount:** For adults with a dependent child who is a member of the junior squad, the individual members' subs will be added together, and two-thirds of total charged. This applies to membership only and not to additional fees like racking. Contact [membership@learc.org.uk](mailto:membership@learc.org.uk) to arrange payment.
- Student holiday membership:** We often welcome students joining us during their university holidays. You will be asked to pay pro-rata at the student rate (£24.42/mo). Please contact [membership@learc.org.uk](mailto:membership@learc.org.uk) to arrange.
- Gym-only membership:** Not offered. Those wishing to use the gym should hold another membership.
- Friends of the Lea:** We also have a community for supporters of the Club or those who no longer row with us and wish to stay a part of the Club. See [learc.org.uk/support-us](http://learc.org.uk/support-us)

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