



## MULLINGAR HARBOUR CANOE POLO

Mullingar Harbour Canoe Polo is an exciting new Sports Club in Mullingar Town. The club was founded in 2019, already has 25 young members and is actively recruiting more. We expect to have 50 children involved in the club this year. We are fundraising to help us purchase equipment to grow our club.

### LOCAL SPORTS CLUB

Mullingar Harbour is one of around 10 clubs in Ireland that play Canoe Polo. We are based on the Royal Canal at Mullingar Harbour and welcome children as young as 8. Our junior team, the 'Mullingar Monsters' won the Kilcock Silver plate competition in 2019. We provide all equipment necessary for beginners to get started.

### CANOE POLO

Canoe Polo is a fast moving 5-a-side team sport that is like water polo, but played in Kayaks on flat water. The 'pitch' is marked out on a Canal or Swimming pool, and teams score by moving a ball up the pitch, avoiding defenders and shooting the ball into goals suspended above the water. It's a fun way to develop kayaking, team and communication skills.

### NATIONAL EVENTS

The club is affiliated with Canoeing Ireland and is already positioned as an important center for Junior Canoeing. For the last two years we have hosted national Junior Development events in the Harbour for children from all around Ireland. We also host the annual 'Overload' Canoe Polo training camp which brought 80 children from around the Country to Mullingar.

### SPONSORSHIP & FUNDRAISING

So the future is bright for this new sport in Mullingar - we have a great group of young players and volunteers. We are raising funding for equipment to allow us grow the club. We are looking for support from local businesses and sponsors.

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