

A guide to registering with the Potteries Paddlers Forum.

- Navigate to our forum at <http://potteriespaddlers.proboards.com>

Up near top right of your screen you'll see "Welcome Guest, Please [login](#) or [register](#)"

- Click on "[register](#)" and fill in the requested details, the questions are as below (don't fill in here though, do it on the forum) ...

Username: This username will be used for logging into this forum. **No spaces or esoteric characters so "mikefen" would have been fine for me.** It's nice if it gives a clue to other club members as to who you might be. You can change your displayed name on the forum later by updating the "display name" in your profile after you are registered.

Password: This is the password you will use to login to your account. All passwords must be a minimum of 6 characters long. We recommend passwords which contain both numbers and letters.

Password (again) : Just to make sure that you can remember/repeat it

Email: Your valid email address (or one of), your activation key will be sent to this address. You must use the activation key in this email to enable your account.

Email: (again) : To ensure you've got it right

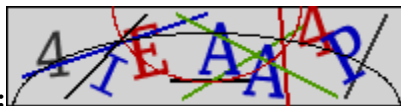
Hide Email: No Yes By checking this option only you and staff members at this forum will be able to see your email address.

Birthday: We (ProBoards, not Potteries Paddlers) require that you enter your birthday as to comply with US law.

Show Age: No Yes Selecting "No" will hide your birthday and age from any non-staff members of this forum.

Gender: Please select your gender from the drop down list.

Hide Gender: Choose if you want to hide your gender or yes if you don't mind.



Security Check: You'll see a unique image here
Please enter the letters and numbers displayed in the box to the left. All letters are capitals. This is a protection against automated registration by spamming software.

There is then the text on rules for using the forum (can summarised as "be nice")

- Click on "I agree" to the rules and then click on "Create Account" (at that point Ant & I will be able to see you've joined, but you won't be able to do much yet)
- If you've missed a step it'll tell you and ask you to fill that bit in too.

- A mail will automatically be sent to your email address with an activation code and instructions to activate your membership ... basically click a link and input the code you were sent where requested ... it's best to highlight the code you get in the mail, copy it and then paste it into the page (to avoid typos).
- That's then it & you are on! You'll be able to see the events calendar and post etc.

For Ant & I the activation emails came back almost instantly. Karen's and Vicky's seemed to take quite a while longer ... this might be dependent on your mail type and servers ...or it might be a time of day thing. Proboards, who we've set this up with for free are based in the States.

Mike.

Potteries Paddlers Web Admin.

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