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## INTENDED USE

- Can tow dinghies and safety boats up the slipway
- Can be used by Club members over 18 for their boats
- Safety boats should use the ball hitch and raise the jockey wheel (see next slide)
- Dinghies with jockey wheels should use painter or rope strop attached to the tow ball
- New attachment for dinghies without a jockey wheel is coming shortly
- Cannot be used by visitors
- Cannot enter the water

## RISKS

- Weight - Tow weighs 375Kg – keep toes and hands clear of wheels
- Collision – Speed of tow is controllable but can tow at fast walking pace
- Electric shock – Unit is powered by lead acid batteries, but fully enclosed

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## Hand controls

- The red button on the front of the tiller bar is the anti-crush button which will stop the tow immediately on contact
- It is recommended to stand to left or right of the tow whilst in use to avoid contact with the anti-crush button (see slide 8)
- The tow requires the keys to operate it
- The red emergency stop button is mounted on the front of the body of the tow

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## Hand controls

- Tow is steered by a tiller bar which is articulated
- It is recommended to tow rather than push as double articulation is difficult to master
- Yellow twist throttle can be used left or right handed and controls forward or reverse
- To the left is a button for fast (hare) or slow speed (tortoise)
- Fast speed (hare) is controllable with the twist throttle and can be up to a fast walking pace
- Slow speed (tortoise) is probably too slow for most Club applications
- Slow speed should be used to put the tow away in the Boatshed (where it lives)
- The red button on the tiller bar is anti-crush device that will stop the tow immediately
- Releasing the throttle will also stop the tow immediately, but there may be momentum
- Once stopped the tow will not roll backwards
- Stand to left or right of the tiller bar (as per next photo)

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## Correct way to operate tow





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## Do's and Don't's

- Please don't fool around with the electric tow
- Remember it's an expensive piece of Club equipment
- DON'T SIT ON IT
- DON'T ATTEMPT TO RIDE ON IT
- DON'T PLACE EQUIPMENT ON IT
- DON'T LET ANYONE UNDER 18 USE IT
- DON'T LET A NON CLUB MEMBER USE IT
- DO REPORT ANY MALFUNCTION TO THE BOSUN (POWER)
- DO PUT IT AWAY SAFELY IN THE BOATSHED AFTER USE
- PLUG IN AFTER USE AS INSTRUCTED
- ANY SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT TO BOSUN (POWER)



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Putting the tow away in the boatshed

