

STRATHCLYDE PARK REGATTA AND SCOTTISH UNIVERSITIES' CHAMPIONSHIPS 2006



16 April 2006

Dear Entries Secretary

Please find enclosed the provisional draw for the above regatta, which will take place this coming Saturday and Sunday. To assist in the smooth running of the Championships, please

- **Check the draw published on the day:** the enclosed draw is **PROVISIONAL**. The draw can change, and the race draw followed will be the one available on the day.
- **Roadworks:** On-going at junction at west end of Strathclyde Park – often resulting in long tailbacks for several miles on the motorway on both approaches to the Park. Please allow for possible delay in your travel plans.
- **The Course:** Please note that Lane 1 is on the Motherwell (Amusement Park) side with Lane 8 on the Hamilton (Motorway) side.
- **Read the programme:** The programme will also include maps of the regatta venue, facilities, circulation pattern, etc. Copies available from the Control Portacabin and the Catering Tent.
- **Trailer parking** is on the boat park on the water side of the centre building, with overspill available in the fenced enclosure immediately north of the National Rowing Academy and in the coned off area of the car park adjacent to the National Rowing Academy entrance. Trailers are **NOT** to be parked in any other areas. Please note in particular that the road access around the National Rowing Academy is a Fire Lane and must not be obstructed at any time.
- **Toilets:** the nearest toilets to the boat park are upstairs in the Watersports Centre. The nearest toilets to the refreshment tent are in the toilet block immediately to its rear. The toilets in the National Rowing Academy are **CLOSED** to regatta competitors, officials and spectators.
- **Check in on time:** Competitors **must** check in at the Regatta Office in the boat park **at least 1 hour** before their first race in each event to collect their boating slips. Lightweights must present themselves **as a crew** to weigh in between 1 and 2 hours before the first race in **each event** in which they are entered.
- **Boat in good time:** collect your bow number from the Control Commission yellow hut 30 mins before your race time. Get afloat in good time, and stay within easy hailing distance of the starter from 10 mins before your scheduled race time.
- **The Start:** Ensure your crews, especially inexperienced competitors, have received appropriate training in attaching and staying attached to stake-boats. In a cross wind, approach stake boat from windward side and, once attached, keep bows pointing into the wind until The Starter advises otherwise.
- **Obey the circulation pattern:** failure to obey the circulation pattern (in the programme and displayed at Regatta Control and Control Commission) constitutes a safety hazard and is likely to result in racing penalties.
- **Carry your racing licence when afloat:** you will not be able to claim your medal at the presentation pontoon without showing your racing licence. For junior clubs, an adult coach may present the licences en bloc as the crew approaches the pontoon for presentation. "Punched" licences will be available for collection from the Ceremonial Marquee 20 minutes after each medal ceremony.
- **Club Uniform:** ensure your crews comply with Rule C7 by wearing the uniform your club has registered with the SARA: umpires at Control Commission will be checking this point (in addition to their other duties) as confusion caused by crews not properly attired can seriously disrupt the regatta.

Finally **listen to announcements** and enjoy the regatta!

Yours faithfully

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