

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- 1) The regatta will be held under the Rules of the Scottish Amateur Rowing Association (www.scottish-rowing.org.uk/applets/November_05_Rules_w6_rev1.doc)
- 2) All events will be rowed over a straight multi-lane course and where possible from a stake-boat start.
- 3) The organisers reserve the right not to run any event with less than three entries or any event where all the competitors are members of the same Club. If this happens the crews or scullers will be moved to the category above unless otherwise indicated on the entry form.
- 4) **Double entries will be accepted and timetabled if clearly marked on the entry form. More complicated multiple entries are not encouraged, and are at your own risk. Consideration should be given when a large boat breaks down into smaller boats with individuals entering different events. e.g. if an eight broke down into a coxed four, a coxless four, a pair and a junior pair, this is actually five entries! These restrictions apply to the main regatta only, and not to multiple entries covering a combination of main regatta and Scottish Universities Championship (SUC) events. (To allow us to timetable the regatta it is still essential for multiple entries involving SUC events and main regatta events to be clearly marked). Note that double entries need only be considered for the same day's racing.**
- 5) Competitors are expected to provide sufficient boats to meet their racing commitments.
- 6) **Buoyancy**; It is the responsibility of clubs to ensure that all boats they use at the regatta comply with the buoyancy clause now incorporated within the Water Safety Code adopted by the SARA. This clause reads: -
 - "Boats constructed or delivered after 1st January 2007 shall meet the FISA Guidelines for Minimum Flotation:
 - A boat when full of water with a crew of average weight equal to the design weight stated on the boat's production plaque, seated in the rowing position, should float such that the top of the seat is a maximum of 5cm below the static waterline.
 - Clubs shall take reasonable measures to ensure all other shells shall have similar buoyancy"Control Commission may apply checks at the regatta.
- 7) **Entry Fees** (per competitor, including coxes)
 - a) Senior, Veteran and Scottish Universities Events: **£7** per person
 - b) Scottish Universities competitors rowing for their University in SPR events: **£5** per person (**Note** that restrictions apply to this concession – see item 9 below)
 - c) Junior Events: **£5** per person
- 8) **Veteran Events**: Those entering Veteran Events should state clearly the age category in which they wish to race. (Any crew giving incomplete or unclear information will be assumed to be Veteran A.) The organisers' objective is to create races consisting of a single Veteran category, but will apply the handicapping system where this is not feasible.
- 9) **Scottish Universities Championships**
 - a) **The Scottish Universities Championships is a separate regatta held within Strathclyde Park Regatta; competitors who row for their University in University Championship events may row for either their Club or their University in Strathclyde Park Regatta but not for both.**
 - b) For all eligible Clubs, Scottish Universities Championships information is enclosed.
 - c) The entry fee for the Scottish Universities Championships is £7 per head. An entry in the Scottish Universities Championships qualifies the club for a reduced entry in the main regatta at a fee of £5 per person. **Please note that this is on a seat-for-seat basis ie one reduced SPR seat for each SUC seat entered (eg an Eight [9 seats] entered in SUC qualifies an Eight OR a Coxed and Coxless Four OR boat combinations up to 9 seats for reduced fees). For additional SPR entries the full entry fee must be paid.**
- 10) **Competition Licences**: every competitor must hold a valid Competition Licence *which includes insurance cover* issued by his/her national governing body, and have it available for inspection to confirm eligibility for events entered. Competitors will be required to present licences for punching to record points won in qualifying races. Any competitor who does not have a Competition Licence at time of entry must purchase a Day Ticket costing £12 seniors and £6 for juniors. *Juniors who are under 13 years and have an ARA Licence will be required to purchase a Day Ticket unless they can produce proof of insurance for competing at regattas.* Application should be made to Sandy Walker (Tel 01389 841782 email walkes@sculler.fsnet.co.uk) and payment will be collected at the regatta.
- 11) On both days of the regatta catering will be available all day with a licensed bar from 11 am.

12) How to Enter

- a) Complete an individual entry form for every crew or sculler. (**Note** that Saturday and Sunday entry forms are different; Sunday forms have a broad black band on the left hand side.)
 - b) Complete a summary sheet **for each day**, signed by a Club official and retain a photocopy before posting.
 - c) Enclose **ONE** cheque for the entry fees made payable to “Scottish Amateur Rowing Association”.
 - d) Post your entry to Graeme Cunningham, SPR Entries Secretary, National Rowing Academy, Strathclyde Country Park, Motherwell ML1 3ED, marked “to be opened by addressee only”. **All completed entry forms and summary sheets, together with the entry fees, must be received by 12 noon on Wednesday 11th April ***. Proof of posting will not be accepted as proof of receipt. Please ensure that the correct postage is paid. We strongly recommend the use of Royal Mail Special Delivery. (***Note this follows Easter Week-end when postal services will be restricted!!!**)
- 13) The Draw will be held at 10.00am on Saturday 14th April in the National Rowing Academy at Strathclyde Park.