

Request for Tenders for Catering and Bar facilities

Strathclyde Park Regatta 25/26th April 2009

Scottish Rowing Championships 13/14th June 2009

Clubs are invited to tender for running the catering and/or the bar at the above regattas. Over the past few years the standards set by the clubs running these services have been high, and it is expected that these high standards will be met or indeed bettered by this year's providers.

Catering will be expected to provide a similar (or improved) service to that of past years in terms of quality and range of food, and should ensure that there are sufficient personnel to keep queuing to a minimum. It is difficult to predict demand for each type of food, but there should be flexibility in the system to allow the club to respond to demand, e.g. if the weather is particularly cold & wet, then provision should be made to get more hot food and soup from a local shop if necessary. (There is a large ASDA in Hamilton, about 1 mile away)

The Catering will be expected to be able to provide a limited service (minimum of tea/coffee & bacon rolls) at least 1 hour before the start of the first race. This is to allow Umpires, Stakeboat personnel etc. to have some form of breakfast before the start of their shift. Full service should be available by the start of the first race. Catering shall remain open until at least 30 minutes after the finish of the last race, and must ensure that there is sufficient provision for Umpires, Stakeboat personnel etc. coming off the water at end of shift. In the event of inclement weather, it is vital that sufficient hot food is available throughout the opening times.

The bar should stock a good range of bottled ales and lagers. There should be provision for keeping these beers & lagers cold either using a fridge or ice/water. Spirits are not usually a big seller, but there should be some provision made. Again, there should be the flexibility to allow for unexpected demand, especially in the event of hot weather. The last thing a regatta wants is for the bar to run out of beer. For some of the umpires on the last shift, the thought of a cold beer is the only thing that keeps them going!

The licence for the Bar will be obtained by the ROC, but the Club running the Bar will be expected to pay the cost of the licence (approximately £10). The licence will run from 11.00am until 8.00pm each day. The bar shall remain open until at least 60 minutes after the finish of the last race, and must ensure that there is sufficient provision for Umpires, Stakeboat personnel etc. coming off the water at end of shift.

The application should include:

- prices for the following core items : tea, coffee, soup, bacon roll, cold filled roll.
- prices for bottled beers/lagers 500ml and 330ml, price and measure for spirits.
- the donation that you would pay to SARA to go towards the costs of the marquee and electricity.

The Clubs providing the catering and/or Bar facilities will be responsible for ensuring that all relevant Health & Hygiene regulations are met.

Any Club wishing to run either the Catering and/or the Bar facilities at the above regattas should apply in writing (hard copy or e-mail) to the address below.

Applications must be received by Friday 13th March 2009

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