

SCOTTISH ROWING CHAMPIONSHIPS

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To: Club Contacts/Entries Secretaries

20 May 2009

Dear Sir or Madam:

Please find enclosed information and entry forms for Scottish Rowing Championships and Scottish Schools Rowing Championships 2009. The purpose of this letter is to ask for your co-operation with a number of items that will make the event run more smoothly.

Entries can be made on-line from a link at the Scottish Rowing website www.scottish-rowing.org.uk and we would encourage you to make use of this. Please note that if this is your first time using the system you must first register. Please allow enough time for this process which will take place during normal office hours. In the meantime please note the following:

- Racing Licences:** Competitors who are members of Scottish clubs must have a valid SARA Racing Licence, and that the Licence number must be quoted on the entry form. Any competitor who does not have a Racing Licence at close of entries (5pm Tuesday 4th June) must purchase an Scottish Rowing Day Ticket. This can be done by applying to Sandy Walker (Convenor, Race Control Committee) – e-mail awalker609@btinternet.com, tel 01389 841782. Competitors who are not members of a Scottish club must quote a current racing licence issued by their home nation's governing body of rowing or apply as above for a day licence.
- Racing Uniform:** Clubs are reminded that (under Rule C7) "Every competitor shall wear the colours of the Club that he/[she] represents". Failure to wear club uniform can lead to racing penalties being applied.
- Double Entries:** The Regatta Committee will timetable double entries where these are clearly marked on the entry forms for both events. More complicated multiple entries are at the competitors' own risk. No Junior may enter more than 3 events.
- Under-subscribed Events:** Note that the Committee reserves the right not to run any event with less than 3 entries, or where all the competitors are from the same Club.
- 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 Scottish Rowing. **See Conditions of Entry.**
- Eligibility:** Please ensure that your crews are eligible for the entries you are making. **See Conditions of Entry and Categories of Events.**
- The Racing Environment:** Clubs should ensure that all their crews are sufficiently trained to back on to stakeboats and keep their boats heading into the wind until they come under starter's orders. It is common for there to be an adverse crosswind and crews which are unable to get themselves into position for the race within a reasonable time period are likely to be excluded from their race, in order that the regatta can keep to its time schedule.
- Completion of Entry Forms: For manual entries only:** In addition to those enclosed, forms are available in Word format on the Scottish Rowing web site at www.scottish-rowing.org.uk. To aid legibility, clubs are strongly encouraged to download and complete the entry forms in Word before printing off. Please ensure that your entries and the summary sheets are properly completed (note separate entry forms and summary sheets for Saturday and Sunday entries), and enclose one cheque covering the club's total entry to the regatta made payable to 'Scottish Rowing'. A few minutes extra spent by each Club to make a full (and legible) entry reduces the risk of your entry being misinterpreted or rejected.
- On-line entries:** On-line Payments *should be* available but if you opt not to - on completion of entry (at check-out) please print out invoice, which will detail all crews entered, check all is correct and send invoice along with cheque to the Entries Secretary, to arrive before Entries Close at 5pm, 2nd June.
- Please include an evening contact telephone/mobile phone number for the person responsible for completing the entries. This person should keep a copy of the entry for reference and should be available for contact from the close of entries through to, and including, the day of the Draw (Saturday 6th June 2009).

Incomplete entries and entries without payment will not be accepted. Telephone/fax/e-mail entries will not be accepted. Entries received after the closing deadline will not be accepted.

Finally, please note that **Entries Close at 5.00pm on Tuesday 2nd June 2009**. Early posting is advised; Royal Mail Special Delivery or Recorded Delivery may be sound investments (proof of posting is not proof of receipt).

Yours faithfully

Katy Cameron (Entries Secretary)

07961 800900 *Evenings only (please do not phone during day!)* or kmccameron3@hotmail.co.uk

Enclosed: Regatta Notice, Conditions of Entry, Categories of Events, Events List, Entry Forms (1 each for Sat & Sun; please download and complete e-form from web-site, or photocopy forms), Summary Sheets (Sat & Sun)

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