

# Burton Regatta - 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> July 2018

## Competitor Information and Safety Instructions

This regatta complies with the British Rowing Rules of Racing and 'Row Safe, Guide to Safe Practice in Rowing'.

### Arrival and Parking

The Regatta site is on the Trent Washlands, Burton-on-Trent which is accessed via Watson Street (**DE14 3AH**). The car parking area for competitors and spectators is behind the main marquee. Parking for boat trailers is adjacent to the river on the upstream and downstream side of the Ferrybridge (see Course Map). All routes are signposted and parking attendants will direct accordingly. This year there will be a £3 car parking charge which includes a free Event Programme.

### Registration and Facilities

Registration will take place in the Regatta Control Marquee adjacent to the Finish, in front of the main marquee. **Numbers will not be issued to crews whose entry forms and registration numbers have not been received by the Entries Secretary.** It is the responsibility of competitors to collect their numbers from Regatta Control and ensure they are securely affixed on the back of the bow person or sculler corresponding to their numbers in the programme. **All numbers must be collected by 2.30 p.m. on the day.**

Entry fees must be paid before a crew is allowed to race. Entry fees paid on the day incur an additional payment of £2 per seat. A crew which withdraws from an event after inclusion in the draw will still be liable for the entry fee.

Toilets (including disabled) and showers with changing facility are available behind the main marquee. An extensive range of refreshments is available from the refreshment area of the main marquee and hot food from the adjacent smaller marquee.

### Race Details and Administration

The Regatta course is divided into two stations :- No. 1 Station - **Stapenhill Side** and No.2 Station - **Burton(enclosure) Side**. The crew drawn first in each case will take No.1 Station.

The Saturday and Sunday starts will both be free starts.

It is recommended that crews should be ready to boat a minimum of **20 minutes on Saturday** and **15 minutes on Sunday** prior to their race time. Missing crews may be called but ultimately it is their responsibility to be at the Start 2 minutes before race time as per the Rules of Racing.

Burton Regatta wish to minimise race rescheduling. In circumstances where rescheduling cannot be avoided, find your opposition and go to Regatta Control where a new race time can be confirmed.

Weigh in for coxes is situated under the gazebo in the boat marshalling area on the upstream side of the Ferry Bridge. If no Umpire is on duty please approach a member of Control Commission for assistance.

### Boating and Marshalling

All competitors must comply with the Regatta Safety Plan and the Marshalling and Circulation instructions as indicated on the Course Map. No practising is permitted on the course from 20 minutes before the first race. All crews must bring their boats into the boat marshalling area upstream of the Ferry Bridge and confirm their boats conform to the minimum required standards before going afloat. (Please check your boat prior to proceeding to the boating area to avoid unnecessary delays). In addition Control Commission Umpires will carry out random checks. No crew that fails these checks will be permitted to boat.

On leaving the upstream landing stage crews proceed to the start keeping close to the Burton Side and within the marshalling lane where buoyed. Crews should continue up past the start into the marshalling areas, complying with any instructions given by course Umpires and being wary of weed growth. Start Marshals will call crews onto the start in race order and on their allocated station. Crews wishing to practise should proceed up past the start keeping to the Burton Side and only warm up in the downstream direction well away from the start marshalling areas.

## **Racing**

Red buoys placed down the centre of the racing course indicate the limit of the two racing lanes which the crews should not cross and crews on the Burton side must stay well clear of the marshalling lane on their Stroke side.

## **Finish**

The finish is located 70m upstream of the Ferry Bridge and crews are instructed to continue downstream under the Ferry Bridge before turning upstream to disembark onto the downstream landing stage. Crews wishing to warm down should proceed downstream of the Ferry Bridge but be aware there are tight bends in the river in this area. Due to the possible risk from water borne diseases it is requested that coxes and novice winners are not thrown into the river.

## **Prize Presentation**

This year there will be a time slot for formal prize giving at the end of the two divisions each day. Winners are encouraged to present themselves at Regatta Control to complete the formalities prior to the time slot and then collect their prizes as they are called forward during the prize presentation.

## **Reporting of Incidents**

Any incidents including potential and actual injury or damage to individual or equipment must be reported to the WSA and the event organiser. These will be entered into an incident book and logged onto the British Rowing reporting system.

## **First Aid Arrangements**

First Aid cover will be provided by A.B.C. First Aid Services who are located in the Regatta enclosure 100m upstream of the finish marquee.

## **Event Contacts:**

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