

The 2024 (67th) South Coast Rowing Championships Regatta and & 18th Under 16 Regatta - hosted by the Hants & Dorset ARA - will take place from the Royal Victoria Country Park, Netley, Southampton - on Saturday, 14th September 2024.

E. Bulletin number 3. General arrangements.

This is the third of a series of Electronic Bulletins regarding the 2024 South Coast Championship Rowing Regatta hosted by the Hants & Dorset Amateur Rowing Association on Saturday, 14th September 2024. This E Mail has been sent to you because you were included in the mailing list for the for recent Hants & Dorset hosted South Coast Rowing Championships - or because we believe that you may be interested in or have requested information on the 2024 South Coast Rowing Championships, to be hosted by the Hants & Dorset ARA at the Royal Victoria Country Park, Netley, Southampton, on Saturday, 14th September, 2024. If you do not wish to receive these E Mails - please respond to - hdarascc@googlemail.com - asking for your name to be removed and accept our apologies for bothering you.

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With racing from around 9.30am to 6.00pm. Subject to entry received.

There will be Championship events - for the selected representatives from the Hants & Dorset ARA, the Coast ARA, and the West of England ARA - in Men's Senior, Junior Senior and Junior Coxed Fours - Ladies Senior and Junior Coxed Fours and Men's Masters Coxed Fours.

There will also be Open and invitation Events for - Men's Senior; Junior Senior, Junior, and Novice Coxed Fours - Ladies Senior, Junior, and Novice Coxed Fours and Mixed and Ladies Masters Coxed Fours and Junior events, over 910m, for - Boys and Girls - Boys J16 Coxed Quad, Girls J16 Coxed Quad, Boys J14 Coxed Quad and Girls J14 Coxed Quad.

There has been a change to rule 23 – agreed by the SCC - Any oars women aged 40+ selected to row in any Championship Event by their association may row in the Ladies Masters Open Event."

All subject to entries received.

The Course – Start, Umpires and Judging.

The course is 1800m but may be shortened to suit conditions – the course for the Junior Racing is 910m. The finish line will be just prior to the Netley Sailing Club. Starting will be afloat from a very suitable boat – with cover and a toilet. The Start line will have permanent marker posts onshore. The start boat will be on the outside of the course so Lane Number 1 will also be on the outside. The outside of the course will be marked by three port authority mooring plus a yellow inflatable buoy will be behind the start line and one beyond the finish line. Regatta start is around 9.30am and is due to finish 5.30-6.00pm subject to entries. The Tide on the 14 Sep 2024 is a Neap Tide. High Water is at 09:32 at 3.90m, Low Water is at 14:34.

The Umpires boats will be two 8m ribs and Umpires will follow each race from start to finish without any changeovers. The officials will go afloat from a small slipway at the Sailing Club but will involve a boat-to-boat transfer.

Safety & Safety Boats

The Regatta will be run in accordance with the SCC and Hants & Dorset ARA Event Safety Requirements (2023) and SCC Rule 12 (100% Boat Inspection).

There should be four safety boats in total – 6m Ribs – and the moment planning to have minimum of two safety boats on the course at any one time.

Contingency arrangements due to poor weather.

If Saturday is forced to be abandoned or be cancelled due to weather, Sunday will be for the six Championship or remaining Championship events only.

The contingency plan for the racing not taking place on the 14th as hoped is as follows - The Six championship or remaining championship races only will be held over the planned course at Netley on the morning of Sunday 15th September starting at 10:00 and completing by 12:00h noon approx. Maximum of 7 boats in each race.'

Unfortunately, the secondary course at Dock Head is not available for 2024.

A Notice to Mariners regarding our event on the 14th (and possibly the 15th) to ensure that any potential users of that stretch of Southampton Water are fully aware of our event so that we can minimise the chances of events overlapping

Trailer arrangements. – on Friday and Saturday – Trailers must use main entrance to Netley Park and Stewards will guide clubs to the trailer park which is near to the start and the boating area where secure parking has been arranged - a map will be issued. They must have hazard warning light on (Council have insisted due to recent accidents) and with someone walking in front in hi-vis jacket.

Athlete/Spectator Parking.

There is ample parking on site for athletes and supporters – a car park is available with room for room for 350 cars – and there are smaller Car Park for 30 to 60 cars nearer to the boat compound. These are Council run Car Parks, with number plate recognition and a charge is made approx. £6/day.

Friday evening reception and Saturday evening prize presentation and Disco.

The Friday Evening Reception will be held in the Chapel at the Royal Victoria Park. Saturdays Prizegiving and after Regatta Party will be held in the chapel and a Marquee erected nearby and we are trying to establish a video link from the Chapel to the marquee so they can view the proceedings – and we can limit the number of people in the Chapel to winning crews.

Saturday morning, captains', coxswains, and officials' meetings.

The Saturday morning, captains' and officials' meetings will be held in one of the three marquees which will be erected, and this meeting will now include coxswains.

General Arrangements.

Netley Sailing Club has been hired with full use of facilities. There will be a PA system from the finish line to the left of Boat Park, about 150m. Catering facilities will be available. There will hopefully be extra catering available from the Sailing Club.

For more details contact: the Regatta secretary, Tim Bull, at 21, Heron close, sway, Lymington, Hants. SO4 6ET. Telephone - 01590 683887. Mobile. 07778 240652. E Mail - timothy.bull@btinternet.com or visit the Web Site at <http://www.hdara.co.uk/scc>

Further information will soon be available on the Championship Regatta Web site – which is hosted by the Hants & Dorset ARA web site at <http://www.hdara.co.uk> – the quick link that will take you directly to the South Coast Championship pages is - <http://www.hdara.co.uk/scc>

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As our plans develop, we will also be using other social media options – Facebook & Twitter to spread the information on the event

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