

Port of Dartmouth Royal Regatta

Established 1834

Patron: HRH The Duke of York

LOCAL ROWING DIRECTIONS 2019

Entry details

It is a condition of entry that **CREW NAMES** are attached to the Entry Form and that the Local Rowing Directions are read. All entries to be completed on an **OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM** supplied by the Local Rowing Entries Secretary or downloaded from the Regatta web site www.dartmouthregatta.co.uk

ALL ENTRIES TO BE RETURNED BY FRIDAY 26TH JULY 2019, WITH THE APPROPRIATE ENTRY FEE AND A LIST OF CREW NAMES TO: Angie Raeburn, 18 Lower Street, Dartmouth Devon TQ6 9AN. Please make cheques payable to: Port of Dartmouth Royal Regatta.
LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED EXCEPT AS INDICATED IN ENTRY CONDITION 1 (h).

The draw for positions and boats to be held at the Dartmouth Rowing Club on Sunday 28th July 2019 commencing at 5.00 pm

Entry Fees

The entry fee for:

- The open local rowing events if £3.00 per seat and applies to all adult entries (rowers over the age of 16).
- Long Distance Race entries £24.00
- Whaler entries £12.00
- Paired-Oared and Double Sculls entries £6.00
- Championship entries £3.00

Entry conditions

1. Entry Qualifications

(a) Entry for the Licensed Victuallers' Association races is restricted to Public Houses and Hotels eligible for membership of the LVA within the following Parishes: Dartmouth, Blackawton, Dittisham, Kingswear, Stoke Fleming, Strete and Tuckenhay. Crews must be residents of the above mentioned Parishes or have resided in one of these Parishes previously for a period of at least 10 years. Entries for the Licensed Victuallers' Association races are restricted to no more than two crews per establishment.

(b) The Invitation Whaler Race will be by invitation only and no rower contesting a final in any of the Friday Whaler Races will be eligible.

(c) Entry to the Double Sculls Race is restricted to Sports Clubs within the Parishes listed in Rule 1 (a). Crews must be members of the Sports Club for which they are entered. Entries from Public Houses will not be permitted.

(d) Crew members in the Open Whaler Races, the Double Sculls Race and Licensed Victuallers' Association Whaler Races are not permitted to row for more than one crew in each of these events.

(e) The Junior Pair-Oared race offers three options of entry: All Male – All Female – Or Mixed crews. Mixed crews will be included in the male section of the race.

(f) The Long Distance Races are non-LVA events for which points will not be awarded. These will be two straight races – Men's and Ladies' with no heats. The first seven crews to enter each race will be accepted and vetted as genuine.

(g) The Happy Families Race is for Husband/Wife crews with one of the crew being the parent of the coxswain who has to be 6 years or over on the day of the race.

(h) In the Happy Families Race, Ladies Championship of the Dart, Double Sculls and Ladies over 55 Whaler Race entries will be accepted after the closing date providing there are sufficient berths available.

(i) Entrants for the Youths Whaler Race must be over 15 but no more than 18 years of age on the day of the race.

(j) The race formerly entitled the Scouts and Guides Race has been re-named the Uniformed Youth Groups Pair-Oared Race and will be open to all uniformed youth Groups for rowers aged 11 and no more than 16 years of age on the day of the race.

2. Coxswains:

(a) In all Whaler races coxswains must be over the age of 15 years.

(b) In all 'Blue' Boat races coxswains must be over the age of 11 years on the day of the race with the exception of the Happy Families Race for which coxswains must be 6 years or over on the day; and the Uniformed Youth Groups Pair-Oared Race, and the Junior Pair-Oared Race, which will be organised to run with the tide on timing this event, where coxswains for these crews must be 16 years or over.

(c) All under 16 years, rowers and coxswains, must wear a life jacket. Regatta Life jackets will be available from the Crew Marshal. Failure to do so will result in disqualification.

3. (a) Two craft to start or no race; three craft to start or no second prize; four craft to start or no third prize. Under no circumstances will prizes be exchanged.

(b) The Uniformed Youth Groups Pair-Oared Race and the Junior Pair-Oared Race will be organised to run with the tide. Coxswains for these crews must be 16 years or over.

4. The Rowing Officials will decide, following the Finals on the Friday, who are the winners of the Best Coxswain, the Best Rower and the Best Race

Rowing Programme

Practice Week - Monday, 19th – Friday, 23th August inclusive from 6.30 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. All whalers and blue boats must be moored securely on the North Embankment Jetty by 8.30 p.m. No mooring of any boat at any time during training other than on the designated pontoon. The practice area is between Noss and Warfleet only. Junior training only under adult supervision. All under 16 to wear a lifejacket at all times. All practice rowing will be at competitor's own risk. Any other requests will be at the discretion of Yorkie Lomas.

Heats	Sunday, 25th August
Semi-finals and Long Distance Whaler Race finals	Monday, 26th August
Finals	Friday, 30th August

Racing Rules

1. Signing-in:

- (a) Any crew failing to report to the Crew Marshal at the pontoons off Coronation Park at least **30 minutes** before the scheduled start of the first heat of any event on Sunday and Monday will be disqualified.
- (b) Any crew failing to report to the Crew Marshal at the pontoons off Coronation Park at least **30 minutes** before the scheduled start of any final on Friday will be disqualified.
- (c) Crews are asked to respect the assistance given by Pontoon Marshals and abide by their instructions. Failure to do so will result in disqualification.

2. Substitutes:

- (a) No substitutes are permitted in the Championships of the Dart.
- (b) In all Long Distance Races four crew members may be substituted; in Whaler Races two crew members may be substituted; and in all Pair-Oared races one member of a pair only may be substituted between the closing date for entry and the heat in which they are drawn. Entries such as A. Rower; A.N. Other Rower; and similar classifications will be treated as a named rower.
- (c) No substitution will be permitted in any race after the relevant heat has been rowed other than exceptional circumstances such as injury or bereavement.
- (d) Substitute coxswains are only permitted after heats due to work commitments, illness, bereavement or other unforeseen circumstance. Crews signing-in must inform the Crew Marshal and Clerk of the Course who will inform other crews at the start.

3. Positions commence from Dartmouth shore.

4. Boats and positions as drawn must be adhered to.

5. Any competitor not taking the position allotted, receiving assistance during a race, or using oars other than those supplied with the boat, or of the specification laid down by the Regatta Committee, will be disqualified.

6. Each boat shall maintain its position drawn throughout the course and finish on that station, or be disqualified.

7. Every boat shall abide by its accidents, but if during a race a boat, whilst still in its own water, shall be interfered with by any outside boat or person, the Clerk of the Course has the discretion to re-start the race.

8. There will be a centre buoy positioned between Dartmouth Yacht Club pontoon and the yellow mainstream buoy. From Dartmouth, crews in positions 1, 2 and 3 stay Dartmouth side of the marker buoy and crews in positions 4, 5 and 6 stay Kingswear side of the marker buoy.

9. Races will finish between Dartmouth Yacht Club (Dartmouth shore) and the yellow mainstream buoy.

10. Any boat passing the yellow mainstream buoy on the Kingswear side will be disqualified as this is deemed to be off course.

11. Modifications to the whalers and/or the 'blue' boats will not be permitted at any time but cushions will be allowed. Anyone breaking this rule will be excluded from all further local rowing races during the Regatta.

12. All protests are to be lodged with the Recorders at the Finish Tent. Protests will be settled by the Official Starter/Clerk of the Course and Finish Judges. Their decision will be final.

13. These local rowing directions and rules encompass the local rowing event at the Port of Dartmouth Royal Regatta. In the event of ambiguity and/or doubt the local rowing committee and its representatives will make a decision in the SPIRIT OF THESE RULES and the ROYAL REGATTA.

The Boats

WHALERS

The Whalers have been drawn and will take the same position in each race as follows:

Position 1	Yellow	Clifton
Position 2	Green	Townstal
Position 3	Orange	Hardness
Position 4	Red	Friend of Bayards
Position 5	White	Dartmouth
Position 6	Blue	Wayward Castle
Position 7	Grey	Britannia (Spare boat)

'BLUE' BOATS

The 'Blue' Boats have been drawn and will take the same position in each race as follows:

Position 1	Yellow	Kingswear
Position 2	Green	Castaway
Position 3	Orange	Cats Pillar
Position 4	Red	Percy Williams
Position 5	White	The Dart
Position 6	Blue	Ken Armstrong
Position 7	Grey	Harbour Bookmen (Spare Boat)