

# Cambridge Champs Junior Sculling Head

## Saturday 18 March 2023

### Competitor Information

#### Numbers

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- Numbers will be available from the CRA boathouse at Logans Way from 08:45.
- Two numbers will be issued per boat for coxed quads - one for the cox and one for the bowman.
- Two numbers will be provided for coxless crews - one for top clothes and one for racing kit.
- Numbers must be clearly displayed throughout the race (use pins at each corner of the number).
- Competitors with long hair must tie it up to prevent obscuring the race number.
- Please ensure that competitors are wearing sufficient layers for marshalling in cold weather.

#### Race Regulations

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##### Junior Classification – British Rowing Rules of Racing

1. A junior is a competitor who had not attained eighteen years of age before the first day of September preceding the event (1st September 2019)
2. Coxswains of junior crews must be juniors.
3. J13, J14, J15, J16, J17 and J18 are competitors who have not attained 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 or 18 years of age respectively before the first day of September preceding the event (i.e. 1st September 2019).
4. Juniors in J14, WJ14 or younger age groups are not permitted to race in events that are more than one age group category above their own age category (coxswains excepted).

Where there are insufficient entries, you will be entered in the next highest age category unless you state otherwise with your entry – please specify an alternative event, if possible.

#### Boating

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We recommend that boating takes place from 09:15 for Division 1, from 11:00 for Division 2 and from 12:45 for Division 3. All boats must be afloat by the times given below. Please note that if your boat is not beyond the Green Dragon Footbridge 20 minutes before the race start, you may be turned back and unable to race.

- 09:15 Division 1 – Begin boating
- 09:50 Division 1 – All boats must be afloat
- **10:10 Division 1 – All boats must be beyond Green Dragon Footbridge**
- 10:30 Division 1 – Race starts
  
- 11:00 Division 2 – Begin boating (there may be crews from Div 1 returning – prioritise their landing if boat sharing)
- 11:35 Division 2 – All boats must be afloat
- **11:55 Division 2 – All boats must be beyond Green Dragon Footbridge**
- 12:15 Division 2 – Race starts

- 12:45 Division 3 – Begin boating There may be crews from Div 2 returning – prioritise their landing if boat sharing)
- 13:20 Division 3 – All boats must be afloat
- **13:40 Division 3 – All boats must be beyond the Green Dragon Footbridge**
- 14:00 Division 3 – Race starts

### Start

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- The race will commence with a rolling start on Plough Reach (near The Plough pub lawns, The Plough, Green End, Fen Ditton, Cambridge CB5 8SX).
- Crews will be started at approximately 30 second intervals.
- The start umpire will call go as the crew approaches the start line.
- Timing will commence as the bow ball passes the feather flag approximately 40 metres upstream.

### The Course

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- The course runs upstream from the Plough Reach, around the bend at Ditton Corner, up Long Reach, under the railway bridge and finishes at Peters Post.
- There are footbridges that cross the river at the bottom of Manhattan Drive (Cutter Ferry Bridge), at Water Lane (Green Dragon Bridge), and the new bridge at the level crossing on Fen Road, which allow bank party visibility from both sides of the river.
- The only section with no towpath is from the Green Dragon Bridge to the Penny Ferry pub. These sections are connected by access along Water Street (approx. 300 metres). The bridge nearest to the finish line is the Green Dragon Bridge.

### Finish

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The finish is at Peters Post. All crews must keep rowing after the finish, until they have passed under the Green Dragon Bridge, to prevent the river becoming blocked for following crews.

### Marshalling

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- There is restricted access to the river, and a number of moored houseboats, between Jesus Lock and the edge of Stourbridge Common (adjacent to Riverside – there is a high concrete wall abutting the roadside). Please take extra care when rowing through this section (approximately 300 metres) until clear of the Green Dragon Bridge.
- Crews should have passed the Green Dragon Bridge 20 minutes before their division is due to start. If you are late, you risk being turned back.
- All competitors must proceed directly to the start, and not spin to practice.
- The designated point to spin is near Bovis Bridge (A14).
- Please follow marshal instructions.
- Crews should then pull in along the bank on the towpath side of the river (between the Gut and Bovis Bridge). There will be marshalling numbers sequentially posted along the bank.
- Please be considerate and be aware of other river users at all times but particularly at the crossover points. Competitors and bank parties are reminded of the need for courtesy to other river users, including walkers and anglers.

### Overtaking

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- Crews must overtake on the outside (i.e. the side farthest from the towpath).

- If being overtaken, it is your responsibility to move out of the racing line and keep sufficiently to one side to ensure that you do not hinder or impede the progress of the overtaking boat.
- If you are the overtaking boat, make sure that the boat in front is aware in good time that you are coming up behind them by calling to them. Pass carefully and safely.

## **Results**

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- There will be other judged special prizes for style and cornering at Ditton.
- Please do not interrupt the results coordinators, as this will only delay the results!
- Results will be made available via [www.rowclock.com](http://www.rowclock.com). They will also be emailed to all clubs in the days following the race.
- Prize giving ceremony will take place at 15:30 at the compound of the Combined Colleges Boat House.
- Uncollected medals will be posted on to clubs.
- Results will be available via rowclock so we will not be posting print-outs. They can be checked on your smartphone or other internet-enabled device.

Thank you for your entry.