

Cambridge Champs Junior Sculling Head

Saturday 18 March 2023

Dear Competitor,

Thank you for your entry to the Cambridge Champs Junior Sculling Head

Please find accompanying this letter:

- Safety Plan (which includes a map of the course and location maps)
- Competitor Information
- Welfare Statement

Please ensure that your competing crews and coxes read and understand the Safety Plan and Competitor Information.

All non-Cambridge clubs must have previously attained permission to boat so from a local club and have informed Geraint Wyn Story (event secretary) of their host club so our marshals and Umpires know where to expect you to boat from.

Weather Forecast

All juniors racing must be properly dressed to marshal in cold weather, this is particularly true for the younger competitors who will race lower down the divisions. This includes hats, gloves and additional warm layers – bank parties must be prepared to carry these layers as sculls have limited storage space for kit. The organising committee recommend that bank parties carry space blankets for use whilst marshalling. I would like to remind you that inappropriately dressed competitors will be prevented from progressing to the start until they are deemed to be dressed to be able to stay warm during cold weather marshalling.

We are expecting cold and damp weather this year so please ensure that your crews are of sufficient experience to be able to deal with the conditions on the day. The Race Committee will review the weather forecast on Thursday before the event and will communicate with entrants the result of the discussions that may put the event in doubt. In the event of high wind/strong stream forecast, we may cancel events. If an event is still taking place but you would like to scratch your crew as you feel they are insufficiently experienced to cope with the conditions, full refunds will be issued. Please inform the event secretary of your decision before the division start via race control (or by email if you chose not to travel to Cambridge).

Warm showers are available at all boating locations for emergency use in case of capsize.

To find your boating area:

Combined Colleges Boat Houses on the Logans Way Compound will be open to visiting crews from 8:30am and is found at the bottom of Logans Way. [Google Map link](#). Postcode CB41BL. From the Elizabeth Way roundabout, take High Street (Chesterton). Just beyond the bus shelter, turn right onto Church Street and follow this road around a corner past the old Pye factory. Turn left onto Logans Way. The boathouse compound is accessed through the green gate at the end of the road. Trailers can be driven into the compound and parked in the allocated trailer parking with the help of Champs marshals who will guide you. You are then expected to unload your boats and take your trailer out of the compound and park on the nearby streets. There is not space for clubs to leave their trailers in the compound. Similarly, cars must not remain in the compound. There will be a small amount of additional car parking spaces available in the Bowls Club next door on Logans Way. We ask that cars are parked a couple of minute's walk away from the Combined Colleges Boathouse compound and Logans Way so we can prioritise the parking of boat trailers near to the boat house.

Emmanuel College Boat House is found at the bottom of Manhattan Drive. [Google Map link](#). Postcode CB41JR. From the Elizabeth Way roundabout, take Chesterton Road, turn left into DeFreville Avenue and take the fourth left into Aylestone Road. Continue to the end and turn right onto Belvoir Road. Follow this road around

2 sharp corners. Ahead of you will be Cutter Ferry footbridge and to the left of this is the Emmanuel College Boathouse. Please make sure that trailers and cars do not block access to the road behind the boathouses. We encourage cars and trailers to be parked on the streets around the boathouses rather than in the compound as space is limited. Aylestone Road is a popular location for trailer parking. Car parking is free and unrestricted on Sundays. It is assumed that clubs rowing from Emmanuel have made arrangements with the Emmanuel boatman for gate access and any boathouse access on the day.

Race Control and numbers

Race Control will be at the CRA Boathouse, which is also on the Combined Colleges Boat Houses compound on Logans Way (see directions above). A Champs representative can be found throughout the day from 8:30am. Race numbers will be available for collection there from 8:45am.

If you have any queries, please telephone me any evening this week between 18.00 and 22.00, or email me and I will aim to respond by 20.00.

Many thanks,

Geraint Wyn Story

Event Secretary, Champion of the Thames R.C.

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