

Northern Regional Rowing Council
Long Distance Sculling Series
Autumn 2025

in association with

Tyne United Small Boats Head
Tees Small Boats Head
Wansbeck Small Boats Head
Durham Autumn Small Boats Head

Date	Race	Approx. Distances	Start Time	Entry Limit
Sat 27 th Sept	South Hylton LDS	4750m	11:00	120
Sat 4 th Oct	Tyne LDS*	4500m	10:30 (14:30)	130
Sat 11 th Oct	Tees LDS*	5000m	10:30 (15:00)	200
Sat 18 th Oct	Berwick LDS	5000m	13:00	60
Sat 25 th Oct	Wansbeck LDS*	2000m	9:30, 11:30 (13:45, 15:30)	100
Sat 8 th Nov	Durham LDS*	1800m	9:30 (12:00, 14:30)	100

* There are SBHs with sweep in the afternoons at Tyne United RC, Tees RC, Cambois ARC and Durham ARC – start times in brackets but see host clubs' own web sites for more info.

The distances given are a guide line and subject to change due to conditions on the day.

All competitions held under British Rowing Rules of Racing.
LDS additional local rules are given below.

All profits from the LDS series will support the Region's entry in the Junior Inter-Regional Regatta and contribute to the NRRC training grants fund.

Entries, fees and substitutions will only be accepted via BROE2.
Seniors & Masters £13.00/seat, Juniors (racing as Juniors) £11.00/seat. Coxes free.
(2025 price rise due to BROE2 entry processing fee increase)

Opening of entries: Sunday evening, 3 weeks prior to each LDS competition.
Entries for South Hylton as the first competition, for example will open on 7th September.

Close of entries and fee payment: 15:00 on the Sunday before the competition entered.
Close of online substitutions: 12 noon on the Friday before the competition entered.
Telephone, email and postal entries or fees will not be accepted.

No provision for late entry or fees: no exceptions

Entries Secretary:

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Series web page:
www.nerowing.com/lds2025.html

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The NRRC Autumn LDS Series 2025 comprises six Saturdays of racing spread over seven weeks. The LDS competitions will generally be in the morning in a single division for all ages. They are for singles, doubles and quads only (plus octuples at Tyne).

At Tyne United, Tees, Wansbeck and Durham in the afternoon there is a second, independent head race run as an SBH which will have sweep (fours and pairs) as well as sculling – see host clubs' web sites for details.

SERIES INFORMATION AND LOCAL RULES.

- All categories in 1x, 2x, 4x-, 4x+, 8x+[Tyne only]; Open, Women's & Mixed in Junior, Senior and Masters are offered. Note that Berwick will be limited to competitors J14 or older due to entry limits.
- Clubs should ensure that all competitors have clothing adequate to both the conditions and the length of time to be spent on the water.
- Please be aware particularly on the large tidal rivers that conditions can be dangerous and can change very quickly. Ensure you and those you are responsible for are competent and able to deal with changes to the conditions prior to boating.
- Bow race numbers and paper numbers will be issued, one of each number per boat. All boats must have a bow-mounted slot to display the race number provided. No deposit will be required. However, the cost of replacement numbers will be reflected in future entry fees.
- Individual LDS prizes will be awarded, where 3 or more boats have started a class / category, as follows. Fastest 1x, 2x, 4x/x+, 8x+ (where applicable) in Junior, Senior, Masters; Open, Women and Mixed. Plus medals for J18/J17/J16/J15/J14/J13. The organisers reserve the right to amalgamate any categories as they see fit to provide competition and to award prizes. Senior crews may be banded based on ranking points depending on number of entries.
- Where necessary Masters age entries will be grouped to allow prizes to be awarded based on the British Rowing handicap tables. If entry numbers allow crews will be banded based on ranking points before handicap grouping.
- All entries and payment of fees will be via BROE2 and will close at 15:00 on the Sunday before the competition entered. The draw for each competition will be published by the preceding Wednesday evening.
- All substitutions should be made as far as possible on BROE2 by noon the day before the race. Any further substitutions must be reported on the day to race control, in person. All substitutions must be reported before the start of racing and any crew racing with unreported substitutions is liable to disqualification.
- Coxes must weigh in on each day of racing.

- Competition cancellations will be at the discretion of the Organising Committee as soon as it is evident that the water is not rowable. This could therefore be during the days before or on the day of the race as circumstances dictate. However; every effort will be made to allow the race to run thus making late decisions likely.
- It is important that the pre-competition and race day contact details are given correctly with the entry on BROE2 and that the persons named are available leading up to and on the day of the competition. So please avoid nominating anybody who is either going on holiday or will be driving and therefore can't answer a call.
- In the event of a cancellation; a pro-rata refund will be made once unavoidable costs are covered.
- **INSURANCE:** Note that competitors' individual BR membership insurance is only valid for UK residents who are resident in this country for more than six months in a year. Evidence of insurance cover must be provided by those not covered by BR membership insurance.
- All trophies and medals will be distributed via host clubs on race day.
- Numbers may have to be restricted if too many enter. Accepted entries will be at the sole discretion of the organising committee. We do advise you to enter early to avoid disappointment.
- Individual LDS competitions may have additional local rules relating to circulation, racing, etc. and these will be posted on the series web page as necessary for each competition. Other documents, the draw and the results for each competition will be published there also.