

TYNE REGATTA 2014

SATURDAY 24 MAY 2014

INSTRUCTIONS TO CREWS AND COXES

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF COACHES AND CAPTAINS TO ENSURE THAT THEIR CREWS ARE CAPABLE OF RACING IN THE PREVAILING CONDITIONS

You should collect the final draw with your numbers in good time on the day from Race Control in the back room at Tyne RC. Ensure numbers are securely fastened to the Empacher bow slot. There are no paper numbers.

BOATING AND CIRCULATION

All boating will be from Tyne RC, except for NUBC who will use their own steps.

Crews must boat with their opposition and must report to the boating marshals with their opposition 25 minutes before their race time. There may be a safety inspection and no allowance will be made at the start for crews late because of being turned back to rectify faults.

Ensure you have your oars on the landing steps before bringing your boat down and get into your boats as quickly as possible, adjusting your feet etc once you have pushed off from the landing. Please move away from the landing area promptly so as not to obstruct following crews.

You are responsible for making your own way down to the start and for taking up position within the marshalling area as shown on the accompanying circulation instructions and map. However you must obey any instructions from marshalls en route - see section overleaf re a major obstruction on Newburn straight.

You must be in position in the marshalling area 10 minutes before the published start time.

At the start, finish, at the steps and at the buoys on Newburn straight, crews must obey the instructions of marshalls, generally following the pattern shown in the circulation instructions, especially when crossing the racing line.

Safety boats will be positioned along the race course. If you do have an accident, stay with your boat until help arrives. Do not attempt to swim to the bank without your boat.

ABANDONMENT OR POSTPONEMENT PLAN

If the event has to be abandoned at any time while crews are marshalling or racing the following procedure will apply. In everyone's interests all crews must comply.

Stop immediately if you hear continuous short blasts on air horns and/or see marshals waving red flags

Wait for a marshal to instruct you when, how and where to proceed.

Keep a lookout for other crews nearby who may not have heard or seen the warnings and are continuing with marshalling or racing. Pass on the information if possible and take any necessary action to avoid a collision.

Don't delay once you have your instruction to move and be sure to follow the directions given.

NAVIGATION ISSUES ON NEWBURN STRAIGHT

Crews and coxes should be aware of two yellow buoys downstream of Newburn Bridge marking the location of debris washed into the river following floods in 2012.

At low tide debris is exposed and this area can be very shallow.

This obstruction lies in the transit lane shown on the circulation map. Crews will be guided around the buoys as necessary so as to avoid impeding racing.



FIRST AID

First Aiders will be located at Tyne RC all afternoon.

PARKING

Vehicle access to Tyne RC club grounds will be for trailers and officials only. Cars **must not** be parked on Grange Rd immediately behind Tyne RC near the houses. Public car parking is available further along Grange Rd north of Newburn Leisure Centre and the Keelman Pub (8 minute walk to Tyne RC along the riverside path).

CATERING

Hot and cold food and drink will be available for purchase all afternoon at the Tyne RC clubhouse. The bar will be open at Tyne RC from 12 noon.

CONTACT INFORMATION

<i>Location:</i>	Tyne Rowing Club Water Row, Newburn Newcastle upon Tyne NE15 8NL On Google Maps at http://goo.gl/maps/mEZDC
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<i>Tel queries before race day:</i>	Colin Percy - 07985 003304
<i>Tel on day:</i>	Race Control - 07986 697262 Clubhouse - 0191 267 3827

We look forward to welcoming you to Tyne and hope that you have an enjoyable day