

HEXHAM REGATTA

Main Sponsor: Northern Rail

TYNE GREEN, HEXHAM

Saturday 6th June 2009

**700m downstream, two-abreast course, with a stern-on stakecanoe start
(held under ARA Rules of Racing & adhering to the ARA Guide to Safe Practice in Rowing)
First race to commence no later than 9.00 a.m.**

The Regatta will be run strictly in three divisions this year –

Division 1 between approx. 9.00 a.m. – 12.00 p.m.

Division 2 between approx. 12.00 p.m. – 3.00 p.m.

Division 3 between approx. 3.00 p.m. – 6.00 p.m.

Please see table overleaf for details of which events are in each division

Any competitor, boat, blade or cox may enter only ONE event within each division

Events are offered for the following boat types:

Single & Double Sculls, Coxless Pairs, Quadruple Sculls, Fours & Eights

and the following statuses (for both Open & Women):

**Elite, Senior, Intermediate 1, Intermediate 2, Intermediate 3, Novice,
J18, J17, J16, J15, J14 & J13**

Junior events are offered in both A & B categories if sufficient entries received

**Veteran events, *including veteran novice*, offered subject to entries received
(the ARA handicapping system will be used if required & will be applied at the START)**

ENTRY FEES [to be paid in full with entry]:

Seniors & Veteran events £8.00 per seat, Junior events £6.00 per seat, coxes free

(entry fee includes £1 refundable deposit per race number – Hexham Regatta uses “Empacher” type bow-slot numbers - please ensure your boat has the necessary fixture on the bows)

Unique Hexham Regatta pewter medals to all event winners

Notes

1. All events are to be held in Fine or Best boats except **Novice Single Sculls** which may be offered in either Fine or Tracer boats, if sufficient entries received (please state boat type CLEARLY WITH ENTRY – or FINE boat will be assumed).
2. **Doubling-up** (*i.e. entering one event in each division) welcomed, but there must be **NO** doubling-up within a division! *N.B.* doubling-up includes competitors, boats, blades AND coxes! Please do not over commit your equipment and/or competitors as **NO** changes will be made to the racing programme AFTER the draw because of multiple entries which violate the above rules.*
3. **O.A.R.A. ENTRIES ONLY.**
ALL entries to be received by 11.59 p.m. on Thursday 28th May 2009.
FULL PAYMENT, to be received by the entry deadline above, should either be made via O.A.R.A. or by cheque, payable to “Hexham Regatta”, which should be sent to:
Barney Hawkins, Regatta Treasurer, Stonecroft, Great Whittington, Northumberland, NE19 2HA
Please include a copy of the O.A.R.A. summary form, clearly indicating which crew(s) the cheque is for, if not paying for the whole club's entry!
Late, incomplete, undecipherable, e-mail or telephone entries will **NOT** be accepted!
Payment for all entries in full must be received by the entries deadline of 11.59 p.m. on Thursday 28th May or they will **not** be entered into the draw.
Entries will also **NOT** be accepted for single sculls without the correct scullers name.

4. The Regatta will be divided into three divisions for entry purposes – please check the grid below and ensure you enter your crews into the correct events.
5. The Regatta reserves the right to limit, for either safety and practical reasons, the number of crews in any particular event or to cancel any event with insufficient entries or comprising entries from only one club, at the Secretary's discretion.
6. Please indicate an alternative event with your entry – if not, and your original event does not run, we will scratch your crew from the draw – we will NOT be contacting clubs with entry queries except in exceptional circumstances at the Secretary's discretion. This is to speed up the draw process and making it available as quickly as possible to competing clubs.
7. Please note that all fees are ENTRY fees and NOT racing fees – there will be no refund of entry fees after the time of the draw except in the event of an error on our part or your crew having no event in which to compete and also in the following situation - in the event of a total cancellation of the regatta, we will endeavour to refund any remaining entry fees pro rata once our unavoidable costs have been covered. In the event of a partial cancellation or cancellation of specific events on the day, no refunds will be made.
8. Prizegiving – will be at the end of the day's racing and **no** prizes will be awarded earlier than this **under any circumstances** – the final prizegiving last year was spoilt by several clubs who's crews had all collected their prizes early, some of which involved named trophies presented by our major sponsors. The prizegiving will not **start** earlier than 7.00pm, so please book transport accordingly!
9. The Hexham Regatta draw is computerised and will be made at 2 p.m. on Sunday 31st May 2009 at the Regatta Secretary's home address: Dr. Peter Hoare, 21, Heugh Edge, Sacriston, DURHAM. DH7 6AU.
10. Telephone or e-mail **ENQUIRIES ONLY (NO ENTRIES)** and status changes to 0191 371 2816 or hexhamregatta@yahoo.com

Boat type	Division 1 (9.00 – 12.00 p.m. approx.)	Division 2 (12.00 – 3.00 p.m. approx.)	Division 3 (3.00 – 6.00 p.m. approx.)
8o	WNV, OE, OS, OIM1, OJ18, OJ17, OJ16, OJ15	OIM2, OIM3, OVET, WE, WS, WIM1, WVET	ONV, WIM2, WIM3, WJ18, WJ17, WJ16, WJ15
4+	ONV, WE, WS, WIM1, WJ18, WJ17, WJ16, WJ15, WVET	OE, OS, OIM1, WIM2, WIM3, Mxd E, IM2, NV	WNV, OIM2, OIM3, OJ18, OJ17, OJ16, OJ15, OVET
4x-	WIM2, WIM3, WJ18, WJ17, WJ16	OIM2, OIM3, WE, WS, WIM1, WVET	OE, OS, OIM1, OJ18, OJ17, OJ16, OVET, Mxd IM2, VET
4x+	WNV, OIM3, OJ17, OJ15, OJ13	OJ18, OJ16, OJ14, WJ17, WJ15, WJ13, Mxd IM3 & NV	ONV, WIM3, WJ18, WJ16, WJ14
2-	ALL Open & OVET	ALL Junior	ALL Womens & WVET
2x	WNV, OIM2, OIM3, OJ18, OJ16, OJ14, OJ13, Mxd E, IM2, NV	ONV, WE, WS, WIM1, WJ18, WJ16, WJ14, WJ13, WVET	OE, OS, OIM1, OVET, WIM2, WIM3, OJ17, OJ15, WJ17, WJ15
1x	ONV, WE, WS, WIM1, WJ18, WJ16, WJ14, WJ13, WVET	OE, OS, OIM1, OVET, WIM2, WIM3, OJ17, OJ15, WJ17, WJ15	WNV, OIM2, OIM3, OJ18, OJ16, OJ14, OJ13

REMEMBER! Any competitor, boat, blade or cox may enter only ONE event in each division!
 We hope these division allocations will still permit most competitors who wish to do so to enter up to 3 events over the course of the day, limited to only 1 in each division.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

PLEASE respect the division rules above and **do not** try to circumvent them by entering a different competitor into a crew in the same division in advance so it doesn't show as a multiple entry on O.A.R.A. and then attempting to substitute with the doubling-up competitor on the day. This is breaking the Local Rules of the regatta, which form part of the Rules of Racing, and render

offenders crews liable to disqualification and/or their Club(s) liable to a fine at the discretion of the Chairman of the Race Committee.

Finally, a polite reminder for some of the Durham Colleges (and anyone else who also does this.....) – you **CANNOT** have two crews sharing a boat or blades or a cox in the **SAME** event! [at ours or any other regatta! ☺] – in any case, this year you'll be contravening the above entry rules if you do!