

Live information

- For live news/updates, follow the event on twitter: @CamSmallBoats
- The website will publish updates and final results: <http://robroyboatclub.net>
- We hope to publish provisional results as they stand after each division; provisional meaning the results will be unreviewed and will not have any masters adjustments or time penalties applied. Links will be posted on twitter and the website.

General Information

- Crews should collect their race numbers any time after 8:30am from Race Control at the Cambridgeshire Rowing Association (CRA) Boathouse (Kimberley Road).
- Please be aware that there are Residents-Parking restrictions on the roads behind the CRA boathouse. Some parking bays allow 2-4h parking. Parking is free before 9am and after 5pm on Saturdays. It is possible to find parking in nearby streets but free spaces are limited and you may have to walk some distance.
- Crews wishing to use facilities at any other boathouse along the river should secure permission from the host club.
- The races will be processional, following the code set out in British Rowing's 'Row Safe'.
- The course will be from the A14 road bridge, upstream to the post by the Green Dragon Footbridge, with divisions starting at 10:00, 11:30, 13:00 and 14:30.
- Prizes and final result will be presented at approximately 16:00 at the CRA Boathouse.
- Prizes will be presented to the fastest crew in each event (CRA and/or BR), so long as there are more than 3 crew entered and 2 crews rowing in that event.
- Changes of either status or event will be accommodated (subject to BR rules) if possible. Any changes must be cleared at Race Control before the race. Any crew found racing with the incorrect status or in the wrong event may be disqualified.
- In the event of cancellation of the race, the race committee cannot undertake to refund fees in full.

Rob Roy Boat Club will not be liable for any damage, loss of property or personal injury in connection with this race.

Boating & Timing Information

- All crews must make their own way to the start.
- Guide times and various cut off times for crews making their way to the start are detailed below for each Division.
- The finish marshal may prevent any crew from proceeding to the start after the relevant cut off time.
- The start marshal may prevent any crew from racing or award time penalties if it fails to arrive prior to the relevant cut off time.
- Time penalties will be awarded at the rate of 5 seconds per minute late for the first 5 minutes and then at the rate of 30 seconds thereafter.

Division 1 – Specific Information & Cut Off Times

- PLEASE NOTE DIVISION 1 HAS CUT-OFF TIMES THAT ARE EARLIER THAN OTHER DIVISIONS (to help get the event started on time)
- As a guide, crews should allow 60 minutes to get from the boat houses to the start, i.e. pushing off around 09:00.
- Cut Off 1: All crews must be downstream of the finish at Chesterton Footbridge (at Stourbridge Common) at least 35 minutes before the start, i.e. 09:25.
- Cut Off 2: Boats must muster below the motorway bridge (A14) 15 minutes before the start, i.e. 09:45.

All Other Divisions – Specific Information & Cut Off Times

- As a guide, crews should allow 50 minutes to get from the boat houses to the start.

- Cut Off 1: All crews must be downstream of the finish at Chesterton Footbridge (at Stourbridge Common) at least 25 minutes before the start of their Division.
- Cut Off 2: Boats must muster below the motorway bridge (A14) 10 minutes before the start of their division.

Racing Information

- Marshal's instructions must be followed at all times. Failure to observe any rule or instruction may result in either a time penalty or disqualification.
- All crews **MUST** wear the race number provided, pinned onto the bow person's back, to be visible whilst racing.
- Crews without a race number will not be allowed to start.
- If mutually agreed and approved by a start marshal, crews may swap starting positions between themselves, but crews must keep their allocated race numbers.
- Crews will be started at approximately 20/30 sec intervals. All times will be taken when a crew's bow ball crosses the line.
- Any crew about to be overtaken must give way, allowing the overtaking crew the fastest line, which is normally the towpath side. Regardless of the fastest line, once an overtaking crew has committed to a side to overtake on, the slower crew must move away to allow the faster crew through.
- Less experienced crews are encouraged to provide a bank party to help steer a safe course.
- Any disputes or objections must be lodged with the Umpire at the Finish, within 20 mins of the end of the race. The Umpire's decision will be final in all disputes.

Masters Events Handicapping Information

The event will employ the British Rowing Masters handicapping system where crew's times in each category will be adjusted using the Handicap Table detailed in the British Rowing's Handicap Operating Notes 2010.

Raw (unadjusted) times will be published in provisional results. Adjustments will appear in the final results.

For complete information on Masters rowing age including age categories, please refer to the British Rowing web site. The Rowing Handicap Operating Notes 2010 can be downloaded at: <http://www.britishrowing.org/upload/files/Association/Policies/HandicapOperatingNotes-2010.pdf>

Be safe, good luck, and have a good race!