General Notes

Arrangement of Divisions and Suspension of Entries

All categories of boat can be accommodated in each long division. It is possible to double up between all three long divisions although timings will be tight and crews will not be allowed to launch late. We will assume you have chosen your divisions so that doubling up is not a problem for crews or boats.

If, when you go into BROE, the division you wish to enter appears to be closed, this means it has been suspended as it is full or nearly so. Please do not then put your entry into another division and write in the notes that you really wanted to compete in the suspended division, as your entry cannot be accommodated there. If you want to make an entry into a suspended division, please mail philippa.sondheimer@gmail.com with your request including full details of the crews. Such requests will be accommodated if possible.

For the last three years, entries have had to be suspended earlier than the published closing time, while we considered whether any more entries could safely be accommodated.

Division Start Times

Division 1 - short course start 09:45

Division 2 - long course start 10:00

Division 3 - short course start - 12:30

Division 4 - long course start - 12:45

Division 5 - short course start - 15:15

Division 6 - long course start - 15:30

Please make sure you allow plenty of time for travel so you arrive with us in time for your crews to boat on schedule.

Coxes

Please note that coxes will be weighed and should provide their own deadweights.

Events set up are:

In long divisions 2,4 and 6

- Open, women's and mixed senior eights, coxed fours, coxless fours, coxless quads, pairs, doubles and Open and Women's singles.
- Open and women's U 23 eights
- Open, women's and mixed coxed quads and coxed fours for Low CRI crews.
- Open and women's J16 coxed quads for Low CRI crews.
- Open, Women's and Mixed Masters A to H eights, coxed fours, coxless fours, coxless quads, pairs, doubles and Open and Women's singles.
- Open and women's junior eights, coxed fours, coxless fours, coxless quads, pairs, doubles and singles, as appropriate, for J15 and above.

In short divisions 1,3 and 5

- Open, women's and mixed coxed quads, coxed fours and doubles -Low CRI crews
- Open, Women's and Mixed Masters coxed quads, coxed fours and doubles for Low CRI crews (set up as MasA please put your masters category in the notes)
- Beginner J15 singles, doubles and coxed quads. This is for less experienced crews and a low ranking index is expected. Crews with too high a ranking (compared to the other crews) will be moved to the long course.
- J14 octuples and J14, J13, J12 and J11 coxed quads, doubles and singles, open and women's. A J14 crew wanting to do the long course must be eligible to enter as J15 and octuples will be not be allowed in the long course.

For J11, J12 and J13 events

 Please note that if we get competition in OJ13, WJ13, OJ12, WJ12, OJ11 and WJ11 we will separate out the events, otherwise we will make them respectively OJ13, OJ12 and OJ11.

Medals and categories 2022

- Senior, Masters and Junior Crews may be divided into bands within their age band and boat category, according to the numbers of crews entered and the spread of ranking points.
- Medals are awarded across the whole Head Race, not by division.
- Medal for the Head of the River (on non-handicapped times).
- Medals for any contested category or band (2 to race) e.g. OJ 16 1x, women's eights (band X), Masters C 2x etc
- Medals for masters: Masters' handicaps will be applied by boat type, using the
 time of the winning senior boat of the appropriate type in the Head as the basis
 for the handicaps. Where different age categories are competing in the same
 boat type, the fastest masters' boat in each boat type after handicap will get a
 medal, unless it won a contested race within its own masters' category.

Notes on medals and categories

"Boat type" means eight, coxed four, coxless four, coxed quad, coxless quad, pair, double, single and is applied separately for men, women and mixed.

To maximise the number of contested categories, crews with no opposition will be bumped up one category without consultation.

If scratches on the day mean that a category becomes uncontested, the remaining boat in that category will also be bumped up one category without consultation.

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