**Entry and Bumping Policy Avon Head Races**

**Entries Timetable**

Entries will close on 9th November at Noon.

Coaches will be informed that no change requests will be accepted unless the Organising Committee has made mistakes.

The start order will be issued by 14th November and be reissued if necessary on 16th November to take account of scratches and any mistakes by the Organising Committee.

After this, no more changes (except scratches) will be accepted.

**Bumps**

If we get competition in OJ13, WJ13, OJ12 and WJ12 we will separate out the events, otherwise we will make them respectively OJ13 and OJ12.

Unless instructed otherwise in the entry notes bumps will happen as follows, in this order:

Unopposed J12 and J13 will be bumped up one age group if eligible.

Unopposed J14 in the short course will be bumped to J15 (if eligible and with few ranking points) in the short course – if you prefer them to be bumped into J15 in the long course, please say so in the entry notes.

Unopposed J15 in the short course will not be bumped.

Unopposed J15 in the long course will be bumped to J16

Unopposed J16 crews will be bumped to J17

Unopposed J17 crews will be bumped to J18

Unopposed J18 crews will be bumped to Sch Junior

Unopposed Sch Jun eights will be bumped to Under 23, any other unopposed Sch Jun crews will be bumped to senior

Unopposed masters crews (with no masters handicap race) will be bumped to senior.

Unopposed mixed senior crews will be bumped to senior open.

Unopposed mixed masters crews will be bumped to mixed senior.

Any banding will be decided after these bumps. 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.