



AVON BLUEFRIARS SMALL BOATS HEAD 2026

ENTRY NOTES

Arrangement of Divisions

The categories of boat which can be raced in each division are shown on the poster.

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.

Waiting List

If, when you go into BROE, the division or event you wish to enter appears to be suspended before close of entries, this means it is already full. However a waiting list will be set up and if spaces become available, if other crews withdraw, we will try to accommodate requests. If you want to be put on the waiting list, please contact Kathy Derrick, Events Secretary, Email: katherine20.derrick@gmail.com with your request including full details of the crews. Please put 'Waiting List' and your club name in the subject box.

- If your crew has been accepted we will notify you and add you to BROE
- If your crew has not been accepted you will not be in BROE at close of entries.

Payment will be required to secure your place when your place has been accepted. All entry fees must be paid before the day of the race.

Start Times – please note (times are provisional – they might change depending on entry numbers)

Division 1 – short course - 10:00 hrs

Division 2 – long course - 10:15 hrs

Division 3 – short course – 12:30 hrs

Division 4 – long course – 12:45 hrs

Division 5 – short course – 14:45 hrs

Division 6 – long course – 15:00 hrs

First boating from 08:30 hrs.

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

Please note that coxes will be weighed at the Registration Desk and should provide their own dead weights.

Categories

Crews with no opposition in their category at close of entries may race unopposed, however we will attempt to provide opposition where possible.

Ideally, a low CRI four or quad should have 10 or fewer ranking points. But as coaches look for flexibility in entering their crews and want to give everyone a race, if we find that there is a spread of points in any low CRI category, we will band crews, if appropriate.

If we get competition in OJ13, WJ13, OJ12, and WJ12, we will retain these events, otherwise we will combine them into OJ13 and OJ12.

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.

If there are several masters scullers wishing to race more than once in a single, OMas 1x and WMas 1x may be offered in more than one division. In this case, the race reserves the right to allocate to a particular division the masters categories of a sculler who is doubling up, to try to organise fair and complete races in each division.

Prizes

Prizes are awarded by boat category.

There are no prizes for unopposed crews.

Prize for the Head of the River (on non-handicapped times).

Prizes are awarded for any contested category or band (at least 2 to race) e.g. OJ16 1x, women's fours (band X), Open Masters CDE 2x etc

Prizes 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.

Masters' entries will be grouped by boat type and age category; the spread of ages will not normally exceed three where entries allow. "Boat type" means coxed four, coxless four, coxed quad, coxless quad, pair, double, single and is applied separately for open, women and mixed.