







Rutherford Head of the River

Saturday 25 November 2017

Scotswood to Newburn over 4500 m - the BUCS Head 2018 course Supported by the Reece Group

Division 1 - 10:30 (HT 07:49 4.25m)	Division 2 – 13:45 (LT 13:44 2.01m)
Open: Senior 8+, J18 8+ Women Masters: 8+	Women: Senior 8+, J18 8+ Open Masters: 8+
Open Masters: 4x-, 4x+-, 4-, 4+ Women:	Women Masters: 4x-, 4x+, 4-, 4+ Open:
Senior 4x-, J18 4x-, J16 4x-	Senior 4x-, J18 4x-, J16 4x-
Senior 4x+	Senior 4x+
Senior 4-	Senior 4-
Senior 4+, J18 4+, J16 4+	Senior 4+, J18 4+, J16 4+

Clubs entering crews into coxless fours and quads should be confident of their experience and their ability to steer in a competitive race in possibly challenging conditions – not novice in old parlance.

Crews in senior events may be banded based on crew RIs if numbers allow. Clubs are invited to tell us if crews are in their view under-pointed and should row in a higher band than the RI indicates.

Open eights will race for the David Barron Swan Cup
Women's eights will race for the Rutherford Governors' Cup
Pennants awarded to the fastest Open and Women's Durham College crews in 8+, 4+ and 4x+

Entries and payments online on BROE only Limit of 130 per division Entries close no later than 5.00pm on Friday 17 November 2017 (but see overleaf) Race fee payable once entry accepted, no later than 6.00pm Wednesday 22 November 2017 Race fee per seat: £9 seniors & masters, £8 juniors (coxes free)

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Held under Rules of British Rowing, Rules of Racing and RowSafe: a Guide to Good Practice in Rowing

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NOTES

LIMIT ON NUMBER OF BOATS: The maximum number of boats per division for safety reasons will be 130. This limit will be enforced even if more than 130 entries have been made on BROE. We will endeavour to suspend entries at about 140, so we will have a reserve should any crews withdraw before the official close of entries. **GET YOUR ENTRIES IN EARLY!**

TIME AND PLACE OF THE DRAW: The draw will be finalised at Tyne Amateur Rowing Club at 8.00pm on Monday 20 November 2017.

ENTRY FEES: All entries accepted by Tyne ARC via BROE are liable for the appropriate race fee, which must be paid by 6.00pm on Wednesday 22 November 2017. Any refund in the case of scratching after acceptance is solely at the discretion of Tyne ARC. In the event of partial or total cancellation due to weather etc Tyne ARC will make a refund, but retaining a proportion of race fees so as to cover its unavoidable costs.

NUMBERS: Plastic Empacher slot numbers will be issued. Boats should be equipped with the appropriate fixture. Please return the numbers afterwards. Those not doing so will be named!

BANDING, PRIZES & UPGRADING: There will be prizes in categories or masters age groups with three or more entries in the final draw and at least two starting. Depending on numbers we may band any senior category based on crew Ranking Index. We reserve the right to say that junior crews will 'row up' or, for masters, to row in a combined age group (handicaps will apply) so as to give as many crews as possible the chance of a prize.

WEATHER CONDITIONS: Coaches must ensure all crews, but especially juniors and beginners, are capable of coping with conditions that might be expected in late November on a large tidal river and are dressed appropriately. Marshals may require crews to return to the steps at any time after boating if it appears that they are not capable of managing the conditions. Refunds of race fees will not be made in these circumstances.

RACE SCHEDULE: Owing to the tidal conditions and limited light at the end of the day, we must stick to the published boating and start times if at all possible. Detailed boating schedules will be issued and will be strictly enforced. Crews not ready to boat at the scheduled time may receive a time penalty (see instructions to crews for details). Any crew not at the start and under the control of the marshals by 10 minutes before the scheduled start time may not be allowed to participate.

ALTERATIONS: Tyne ARC reserves the right to make any alterations to these arrangements and instructions which it deems necessary for the safe and efficient promotion of the event.

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