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DURHAM REGATTA

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184th Durham Regatta – Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th June 2017

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find enclosed the prospectus for Durham Regatta 2017. As usual we are offering a wide range of events over 700 and 1800 metres on the River Wear in Durham.

Entries close at 10pm on Thursday 1st June. Please enter early to avoid disappointment.

Key items to note for 2017:

- The regatta is organised as two Divisions per day. No doubling-up *within* a division.
- Senior racing on Saturday 10 June will run under the old status points system as in previous years.
- Senior racing on Sunday 11 June will run under the new Rowing Index (RI) points system. Events will be offered in Championship (roughly IM2, IM1, Senior and Elite) and non-Championship (roughly Novice and IM3) levels. Events will be banded as appropriate with presentation prizes being offered for each band. There will be NO time-trials in 2017. Instead the draw will be seeded based on crew RI points to maximise the chance that the best crews will race each other in the later rounds of an event.
- Junior racing on both days will be run under the same system as previous years.
- The Regatta is offering only a limited range of Masters events due to the clash with the National Masters Championships Regatta.
- Para/Rowability racing is offered on Sunday. Please contact in advance to discuss requirements.
- In order to streamline crew circulation and management we are requiring that all crews boat from Durham ARC this year. We are arranging additional boat storage/rigging areas and this will affect crew circulations plans but otherwise should have minimal impact for non-Durham based clubs.
- Car parking arrangements are changing in 2017 further details will be provided with the draw.
- Please note that a British Rowing racing licence only covers a competitor for public liability insurance if they are resident in the UK for at least 6 months of the year. Any competitor not covered by this scheme must provide evidence of alternate public liability insurance cover.

We expect a large volume of entries. Please enter early.

In addition to the racing events, we continue to provide a wide variety of land based activities, entertainment, displays and trade stands. These include the Classic Car Rally, music from school and community bands, children's entertainment, craft stalls and refreshments.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me. We look forward to welcoming you in June.

Yours faithfully,

Richard Mortimer

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Entries Secretary, Durham Regatta