

Inverness Rowing Club

Inverness Fours/Quads and Small Boats Head

Saturday 11th November 2017

Sunday 12th November 2017

Held on the Historic Caledonian Canal

Racing will take place on both Saturday and Sunday in two divisions
over a 4500m course¹

(Held in accordance with the Rules of Scottish Rowing)

FEES for SENIOR Crews: (£8.00 per seat)

FEES for JUNIOR Crews: (£6.50 per seat)

FEES for Mixed JUNIOR/SENIOR Crews: (£8.00 per seat)

Complete Crews of JUNIOR Entrants will be charged at £6.50 per seat if entering SENIOR Events.
MIXED age crews containing Seniors & Juniors will be charged at the SENIOR Crew rate for all seats in the crew.

There will be no charge for Coxes

**ALL ENTRIES & PAYMENTS to be received by THURSDAY 2nd
NOVEMBER 2017 AT 18:00hrs**

No late entries will be accepted

Email entries: fours2017@invernessrowing.club using the spreadsheet available at
<http://www.invernessrowing.club/Fours2017/EntryForm.xlsx>

¹ Please see "Possible Event Control Options" section

Events Offered

Division 1 - Start time 11:30 am			
Mens' Events		Womens' Events	
Event No	Event	Event No	Event
1	Open 4+	3	W Open 4-
2	J18 4+	4	W Nov 4+
		5	W J18 4-
6	R1 4x	10	W R2 4x+
7	Nov 4x+	11	W Vet 4x
8	Mixed R2 4x+	12	W J15 4x+
9	J16 4x		
13	R1 2x	17	W Nov 2x
14	Vet 2x		
15	Vet Nov 2x		
16	J14 2x		
18	R1 2-	20	W Vet 2-
19	R2 2-		
21	Nov 1x	22	W R1 1x
		23	W J14 1x

Division 2 - Start time 14:00 pm			
Mens' Events		Womens' Events	
Event No	Event	Event No	Event
24	Open 4-	27	W Open 4+
25	Nov 4+	28	W J18 4+
26	J18 4-		
29	R2 4x+	32	W R1 4x
30	Vet 4x	33	W Nov 4x+
31	J15 4x+	34	W J16 4x
35	Nov 2x	36	W R1 2x
		37	W Vet 2x
		38	W Vet Nov 2x
		39	W J14 2x
40	Vet 2-	41	W R1 2-
		42	W R2 2-
43	R1 1x	45	W Nov 1x
44	J14 1x		

SUNDAY 12 NOVEMBER

Division 1 - Start time 11:00 am			
Mens' Events		Womens' Events	
Event No	Event	Event No	Event
46	R1 4+	49	W R1 4-
47	Nov 4+	50	W R2 4+
48	J16 4+	51	W Vet 4+
52	Open 4x	56	W Nov 4x+
53	Vet Nov 4x+		
54	J18 4x		
55	J14 4x+		
57	Open 2x	60	W J18 2x
58	R2 2x	61	W J15 2x
59	J16 2x		
62	Open 2-	63	W J18 2-
64	Vet 1 x	67	W Open 1x
65	J18 1x	68	W R2 1x
66	J15 1x	69	W J16 1x

Division 2 - Start time 13:30 pm			
Mens' Events		Womens' Events	
Event No	Event	Event No	Event
70	R1 4-	73	W R1 4+
71	R2 4+	74	W Nov 4+
72	Vet 4+	75	W J16 4+
76	Nov 4x+	78	W Open 4x
77	Mixed Vet 4x	79	W Vet Nov 4x+
		80	W J18 4x
		81	W J14 4x+
82	J18 2x	84	W Open 2x
83	J15 2x	85	W R2 2x
		86	W J16 2x
87	J18 2-	88	W Open 2-
89	Open 1x	92	W Vet 1x
90	R2 1x	93	W J18 1x
91	J16 1x	94	W J15 1x

General information –
All entries and payment to be received by Thursday 2nd November 2017 at 1800hrs

Entries fees / Registration

- **Senior crews** £8.00/seat and **Junior crews** £6.50/seat, **Mixed Junior/Senior Crews** £8.00/seat, this includes Scottish Rowing levy and charges levied by Scottish Canals. **Note: coxes are free.**
- All entry fees must be paid **before** the DRAW takes place.
There will be no payment for entries on the day.
Cheques (one per club, please) made payable to Inverness Rowing Club should be sent to Hazel Geddes 7 Dores Avenue Inverness IV2 4RR, together with a signed paper copy of your Summary Page from the Entry spreadsheet.
- Payment can also be made using BACS, E-mail fours2017@invernessrowing.club for details.
- Registration will open at 09:30 to allow a Club Representative to collect Registration Pack, 1 pack will be issued per Club. This Pack will contain
 - Essential Information for Competitors including Bow & Back Numbers;
 - a Course Map;
 - Circulation pattern at start;
 - and any other information which should be read prior to participation
- There will be a deposit payable at the time of collection of £5 per Bow Number eg if there were 5 Bow Numbers then a deposit of £25 would be required – this of course will be returned when the complete pack is returned at the end of racing.
- Clubs are reminded of their responsibility to ensure that all entrants have a valid racing licence. **Clubs must provide a summary of the racing licence information for all competitors entered** (e.g. a download of the information provided on the Scottish Rowing membership system) – this should include Name & Licence Number plus Date of Birth (for Junior and Veteran entries) and be submitted when collecting their Registration Pack.
- Registration of Club Entries must be made by one Club official
- Crew Changes and Scratched Entries on the day to be notified on form included in Registration Pack.
- Refunds to Clubs will only be made if Organisers are advised prior to the Draw being made.
- **ENTRY ONLY VIA EMAIL USING THE SPREADSHEET at**
<http://www.invernessrowing.club/Fours2017/EntryForm.xlsx>
- **E-mail –** fours2017@invernessrowing.club **for entries and any queries**

Racing

- The event will be run in accordance with the Scottish Rowing Rules of Racing and Scottish Rowing Water Safety Code
- The course will be run over a 4500 metre distance from Dochgarroch to the Inverness Rowing Club Boathouse – but please see “Possible Event Control Options” section below

- On Saturday, the first division will commence at 11:30 and the second division will commence at 14:00.
- On Sunday, the first division will commence at 11:00 and the second at 13:30.

Possible Event Control Options

Entry numbers have been steadily increasing over the past few years and the organisers are aware that this has resulted in some crews having to wait over an hour at the start. We are reviewing options to optimise the launching of boats and marshalling at the start to improve matters but the final decision will depend on the number of entries we receive. Options under consideration include:-

- Running the event in the reverse direction from the boathouse to Dochgarroch (crews would be marshalled in the straight below the swing bridge);
- Launching all fours/quads early, i.e. before the small boats;
- Shortening the course for the Novice Fours/Quads and J14/J15 events, who would start after the first corner at a point on the "Beeches Straight".

These changes may result in a slight amendment to the start time of the divisions but there will be no change to the usual launching times, i.e. in any event all crews wanting to row in Division 1 must be available to launch from 9:45 on Saturday and 9:15 on Sunday.

Punctuality

- All boats must have passed the finishing line on their way to the start no later than 30 minutes before the start time.
- Late departures will be turned back, in fairness to crews waiting at the start.
- Crews must be in position at the start 10 minutes before the start of racing.
- Crews arriving late at the start will receive time penalties.

General

- Prizes shall be awarded for the fastest in each category, provided more than 2 crews are competing. There are also trophies for a number of events.
- Veteran events will be raced as one category. Final placings will be awarded following handicapping using the Scottish Rowing approved handicap calculation.
- Mixed events shall comprise an equal number of men and women.

Facilities

- Hot drinks and refreshments will be available all day at the Boathouse.
- Although we do not have Showers at our Boathouse the nearby Sports Centre is open to all Members of the Public, an entry fee would be Payable.
- Toilet facilities available at the Boathouse and at various locations beside Boat Trailer parking
- Parking of Boat Trailers will be advised on publication of the Draw
- The Highland Rugby Club car park may not be available for parking Mini Buses and Cars this year – alternative parking arrangements will be advised on publication of the Draw.
- The closest accommodation to the club is the new Premier Inn which opened in 2012 on the site of the old Loch Ness House hotel.

THE ONLY METHOD OF ENTRY IS E-MAILED SPREADSHEET
<http://www.invernessrowing.club/Fours2017/EntryForm.xlsx>

E-mail – fours2017@invernessrowing.club

- Please send payment and a print out of the summary page spreadsheet to :

H Geddes, 7 Dores Avenue, Inverness, IV2 4RR
Cheques to be made payable to Inverness Rowing Club.

Inverness Rowing Club