

Netley Regatta and Carnival

Regatta Guidance Notes - 2014



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Boat Eligibility

Any traditional boat, or traditional-style replica, powered by oars or paddles, may enter. The freeboard of individual entries will be examined carefully by the Race scrutineers and the Safety Marshals who may exclude any entry on safety grounds before, or during, the event.

Every boat must be covered by public liability insurance up to £2 million any one claim and for any loss, injury or damage to property or persons (including all persons aboard the craft) and it is recommended that all crew wear buoyancy aids. Any towing will be undertaken only at the boat owner's risk.

Crew Eligibility

In addition to the rowers, or paddlers, each boat must, at all times, carry a cox (who need not steer but must not row/paddle while coxing). Crew may freely change positions during the Race (see exceptions under 'Classes'), but outside substitution or assistance is not permitted. Any crew member going ashore during the race will render their crew liable to immediate disqualification and withdrawal from safety cover.

It is the responsibility of the passenger to clearly display the Race number to Marshals at the Start and Finish of the Race and to confirm this vocally if requested. Failure to do so will result in disqualification. This rule will be enforced.

The minimum age for any person aboard is ten years. Any person aboard who is under 16 years of age and all coxes / passengers are required to wear a buoyancy aid at all times. Under 14 and Under 16 crews must be registered by the obligatory adult (over 18) responsible for the boat (see details of age-based classes). All Scout crew must be able to swim 50m as per Scout POR rule 9.42 *Members taking part in any water activity (those which take place on or in the water) must be able to demonstrate to a suitable person their ability to swim 50 metres in clothing and equipment appropriate to the activity (where a buoyancy aid or life jacket is worn for the activity this may be used for the demonstration) and keep afloat for five minutes.*

Safety

Regular safety reviews can result in rule amendments. Please read the Guidance Notes, (distributed on Regatta Day) and all other communications carefully. Every crew **MUST** confirm its final, accurate crew complement to Registration to collect its Race number.

When competing International Regulations For Preventing Collisions At Sea, 1972 as amended apply. All rules apply but please note Rule 8 Risk of collision, Rule 9 action to avoid collision and Rule 13 Overtaking.

Overtaking boat keeps clear. Any collision caused by an overtaking boat will be penalised.

No competitor will act in an intimidating way to other competitors or other Port users.

Competitors will keep clear of other vessels travelling upon Southampton Water.

All boats must declare their finish upon return to Beach Lane / Castle Field at race Head Quarters.

All boats are requested to carry an anchor and sufficient warp to enable themselves to anchor safely, should they be required to do so.

Race Briefing

There will be a race briefing at 1030, prior to the first race, together with printed race instructions.

Race Programme – Start times are provisional, may change on day

Race	Start Time	Distance	Categories	
1. Sprint	1100	0.25 mile	18+	No of Oars Optional
			14+	
			10.5+	
2. 1 mile dash and Ladies Race	1130	1.0 mile	18+	No of Oars Optional
			14+	
			12+	
Trophy for the first all female crewed boat.				
3. Fun Run propulsion other than oars or r	1230	0.25 mile	18+	Any means of
propulsion other than oars or r	Hechanical		14+	
			10.5+	
			10.51	
4. Netley Cup	1300	4.0 mile*	18+	No of Oars Optional
			14+	
			12+	
* Distance may be shortened, depending on weather conditions and timings.				
5. Crichton Shield	1430	1.0 mile	18+	4 Oars + 1 Cox
			14+	
			12+	
6. Egg and Spoon Race 1530 0.25 Open 2 Oars 1 Person with egg and spoon standing on midship thwart.				

Notes

Consideration has been made about handicapping with regard to the differing type of oars used, as with the Hamble River Raid no handicapping will occur. It is thought that rowing style, technique, stamina and trimming, play a greater role in the overall performance.

No limit has been put on the numbers of oars for each race apart from race three, where any means of propulsion is required other than oars or mechanical means, the egg and spoon race, and race 5 (four oars and one cox). For safety the race committee recommends the use of a coxswain in all races.

It has decided to restrict the racing to no more than 30 boats. This might be a staggered start based on the number of boats entering. In any case the starting / finish line length will be adjusted.

Prizes are being given to the winning boat in each race and age group.

Age Based Classes

The age groups are for 10.5 and above, 12 and above, 14 and above and 18 and above. The age group will be decided by the eldest person in the crew.

Declaration

The extract below is from the declaration on the race entry form.

Please enter the boat for the race(s) specified. I understand that gig racing can be dangerous. I agree that the Regatta Organisers, the 4th Itchen South (Netley) Sea Scout Group, the Scout Association, the participating clubs and their officers, members and servants shall bear no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience to property or persons arising directly or indirectly from instructions, policy or rulings during the race or related activities, and I undertake to indemnify the said organisers, clubs, officers, members and servants against all costs, claims or demands arising from or relating to my entry and participation in any or all races in this Regatta. I have read the Responsibility Sections of the Regatta Racing Instructions and related regulations and confirm I accept and agree to their provisions and that my boat and crew will conform to their requirements throughout the Regatta. Before racing I will (i) effect adequate and suitable insurance with third party liability of not less that £2,000,000 and (ii) ensure my crew is made aware of the undertaking in this Declaration.

Entry Fee

The entry fee for this event is £20. Please note that the Regatta is a fund raising event for 4th Itchen South (Netley) Sea Scout Group, donations of more than the entry fee will be gratefully received.

The completed entry form together with entry fee can be sent to:

Mr. Kevin Earl, Netley Regatta and Carnival Organising Committee, c/o Laren, High Street, Hamble, SOUTHAMPTON, SO31 4JF

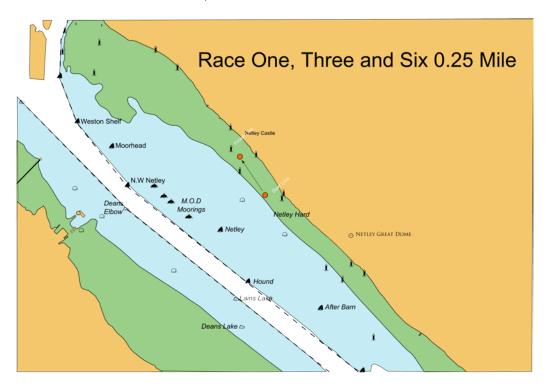
Launching

Boats can be launched from Beach Lane slipway. A road closure will be in place on 14th June, to allow competitors trailing boats to have free access to the slipway. There will be limited parking for boats and boat owners only in Beach Lane.

Courses

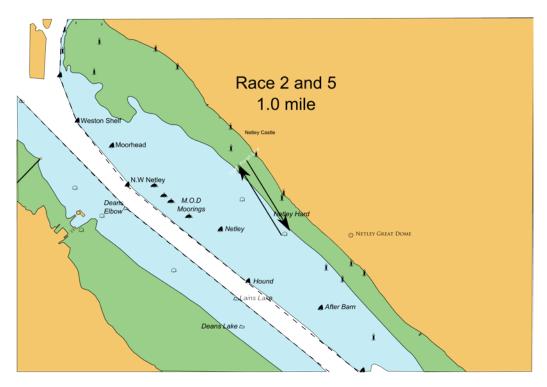
Race One, Three and Six

These races are 0.25 miles approximately. These Races will start from the hard, and will be a straight course to the finish line off Beach Lane, Castle Field.



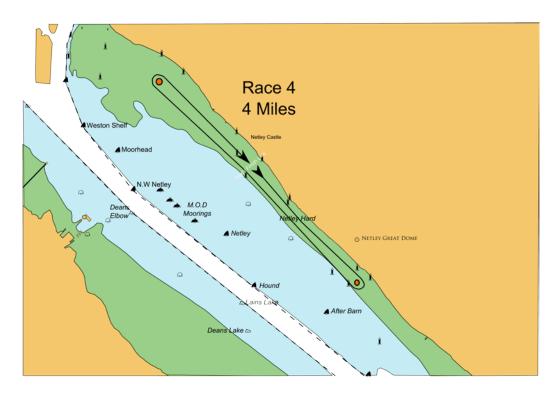
Race Two and Five

Intention is to start from a transit off Beach Lane / Castle Field to a turning mark abeam of the entrance to RVCP and back to Beach Lane / Castle Field.



Race 4

Is of four miles duration, starting from Beach Lane, down to a turning mark off the SW end of RVCP back up to a turning mark off the slipway at Weston Shore, finishing off Beach Lane slipway



Netley Abbey Map

