

2018 British Rowing Sculling Festival

Notice of Regatta

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The British Rowing Sculling Festival is an “Omnium of Events” run over two days with points from individual events contributing to the overall ranking of each sculler.

Date & Venue

The 2018 British Rowing Sculling Festival will be held on Saturday 18 and Sunday 19 August 2018 at: National Water Sports Centre, Adbolton Lane, Holme Pierrepont, Nottingham NG12 2LU.

Events Offered & Prizes

1. Entries will be taken in single sculls ONLY.
2. Competitors may enter only one of the following events:

Main Event: Open	Main Event: Women	Beginner Event: Open *	Beginner Event: Women *
Senior	Senior	Club	Club
U23	U23	University	University
Junior 18	Junior 18	Junior 18	Junior 18
Junior 16	Junior 16	Junior 16	Junior 16

*Offered to those genuinely in their first year of the sport.

3. Individual gold, silver or bronze medals will be awarded to the highest placed three scullers, based on the overall results, in the following categories:
 - a. Main Event Open: Senior, U23, J18 and J16
 - b. Main Event Women’s: Senior, U23, J18 and J16
 - c. Beginners’ Event Open: Club, University, J18 and J16
 - d. Beginners’ Event Women’s: Club, University, J18 and J16

A competitor is only eligible to win the category he/she has entered.

4. The event will attract Personal Ranking Index (RPI) points based on the overall results at the end of the competition.

General Rules

1. There will be no separate lightweight categories offered. All competitors will race as “openweight”.
2. U23s are those competitors who are born on or after 1 January 1996.
3. For this event J18s are those competitors who are born on or after 1 September 1999 and before 1 September 2001, and J16s are those competitors who are born on or after 1 September 2002.

4. The event will be run under the British Rowing Rules of Racing with the addition of specific local rules.

Racing Format

- I. All entries will be expected to compete in all events on both days. The provisional order of events is as follows:

a. Saturday 18 August

Open Event	Beginners' Event
3800m (2 x 1900m) Time Trial	2000m (2 x 1000m) Time Trial
Manoeuvrability Test	Manoeuvrability Test
Skills Testing	Skills Testing
250m Time Trial	250m Time Trial
250m Side by Side	250m Side by Side

b. Sunday 19 August

Open Event	Beginners' Event
2000m Semi Finals	1000m Semi Finals
2000m Finals	1000m Finals

2. **250m Side by Side:** after the 250m time trials, all boats will be ranked. Boats ranked 1-6 will be seeded into Final A, boats ranked 7-12 will be seeded into Final B etc.
3. **1000m/2000m Semi-Finals:** at the end of the first day, all boats will be ranked according to their overall points to determine the seedings for the 1000m/2000m semi-finals. Boats ranked 1-12 will be seeded in to A/B Semi-Finals, boats ranked 13-24 will be seeded into C/D Semi-Finals etc.
4. **1000m/2000m Finals:** the first 3 boats from each of the Semi-Finals A/B will progress to Final A, positions 4, 5, 6 from Semi-Finals A/B will progress to Final B. Similarly from Semi-Finals C/D to Finals C and D respectively.
5. **Manoeuvrability Testing:** this will be run three abreast and each individual sculler will be timed.
6. **Skills Testing:** each sculler will be assessed on a number of skills and be awarded pass, intermediate or fail on each skill assessed. Details of the skills to be assessed will be available on the Sculling Festival Website (www.britishrowing.org/scullingfestivalskills/)

Overall Points Scoring

- I. Scullers will be allocated "overall points" based on their rankings/scores in individual events.
 - a. **Racing events:** points allocated will be equivalent to the scullers ranking position i.e. the top ranked sculler will receive one point, the second placed sculler will receive two points etc. For the purposes of side by side racing, the ranking will be determined by a scullers race finishing position (not time) as shown below.

Race	Finishing Position	Overall Awarded	Points
Final A	1	1	
	2	2	
	3	3	
	4	4	
	5	5	
	6	6	
Final B	1	7	
	2	8	
	3	9	
	4	10	
	5	11	
	6	12	
Final C	1	13	
	2	14	
	3	15	
	4	16	
	5	17	
	6	18	

b. Manoeuvrability testing: points will be allocated equivalent to a scullers overall ranking based on time. Points will be awarded in increments of 0.5 i.e. the fastest sculler will be awarded 0.5, the second fastest sculler will be awarded 1.0 etc.

c. Skills testing: zero points will be awarded for a pass, two points will be awarded for intermediate (where applicable), four points will be awarded for a fail.

2. Scoring events: “overall points” will be awarded in the following events:

Open Event	Beginners' Event
3800m (2 x 1900m) Time Trial	2000m (2 x 1000m) Time Trial
Manoeuvrability Test	Manoeuvrability Test
Skills Testing	Skills Testing
250m Side by Side	250m Side by Side
2000m Finals	1000m Finals

3. The overall winner of each category will be determined by a sculler’s cumulative overall points. The sculler with the fewest overall points will be declared the winner.

Entry Fees

The entry fee is £35 per sculler which must be paid in advance. The entry fee covers the two days of competition, a barbecue on Saturday evening and an event t-shirt.

Conditions of Entry

- The Sculling Festival is open to all scullers that are registered members of a club affiliated to any Great Britain Rowing Body. Entries will only be accepted from scullers whose membership will be valid for the period of the Sculling Festival.
- The Sculling Festival is a national event. Foreign entries are specifically excluded.

3. Any junior sculler entered shall have a named coach or responsible adult, who must be over the age of 18, and must be named on the entry together with a current mobile telephone number. If a substitute coach comes to the Sculling Festival he/she must contact Registration and register his/her mobile telephone number.
4. **To enable a safe and efficient event to happen coaches are kindly requested to assist in marshalling, timing and safety roles. Each club that makes an entry will be required to provide at least one coach to assist in the roles listed.** A jobs list will be published and made available at registration and these will be confirmed at the briefing each morning. Coaches and any supporters should not expect to accompany their rowers during the Festival.

Regulations for Racing

1. The Sculling Festival is held under the Rules of British Rowing and the British Rowing Rules of Racing shall apply with the addition of some local rules.
2. When it is not possible, for whatever reason, to complete the Sculling Festival or an event, rankings from those events which have been completed may be used to determine overall finishing positions.
3. Entry fees will not be refundable if it should become necessary, for any reasons, to abandon the Sculling Festival.
4. Entrants who fail to register by the deadline may not be permitted to compete. Those who have registered, but fail to appear for any of the individual events, will be deemed to have the lowest ranking in that event for the purposes of allocating overall points and for seeding of later events where necessary.
5. Entrants who wish to withdraw from the Sculling Festival at any point after they have registered must do so officially by reporting to Race Control.
6. It is the competitor's responsibility to keep him/herself informed of any changes to the event programme.

Entry Information

1. Entries must be submitted through BROE2 by 17:00 on Wednesday 8 August when the system will be closed. All possible contact details should be complete. We may need to contact you before or during the Sculling Festival so it is in your interests to ensure that your contact details are accurate and up to date.
2. A copy of the timetable and other information, including registration details, will be emailed to submitting BROE2 administrators on Monday 13 August. You should ensure that this email address is monitored and up to date.
3. Payment for entries should be made:
 - a. Online via BROE2 or
 - b. by cheque, payable to "British Rowing Ltd" and sent with the details of the club, the contact person and a list of entries. This should be sent to: Entries

Secretary, British Rowing Sculling Festival, 6 Lower Mall, Hammersmith, W6 9DJ

4. Entries may be rejected if payment is not received by midday Friday 10 August.

Competitors' Information

1. Competitors who decide to scratch before the Sculling Festival should inform Nicola Durrant, Entries Secretary, by e-mail (scullingfestival@britishrowing.org).
2. All competitors must register by the deadline. A club representative may register on behalf of all scullers from their club providing they are able to provide all requested information for each entrant.
3. Racing Licences must be presented when registering. Failure to do so may result in a sculler being unable to compete in the Sculling Festival.
4. At registration, each sculler will receive a racing number and corresponding boat number which will remain with them for the duration of the Sculling Festival. The boat number must be returned at the conclusion of the Sculling Festival.
5. There will be an entry charge of £5 to the National Water Sports Centre for all trailers entering the venue. Cash payment must be made at point of entry to gain access to the venue.
6. There will be an entry charge of £5 per day to the National Water Sports Centre for all competitors and spectators entering the venue. Cash payment must be made at point of entry to gain access to the venue.

Photography

1. There are official photographers and videographers at the Sculling Festival. These photographs and videos may be used on the website and social media sites of the Sculling Festival or by British Rowing. Official photographs may also be available for sale from the photographer's website following the event. By entering the Regatta, competitors and those responsible for them consent to this.
2. Competitors and those responsible for them should be aware that other, nonofficial photographers might operate at national sporting events and the subsequent photographs or videos may be freely used in print, digital media or elsewhere, over which the Organising Committee has no control.
3. Coaches and competitors agree that by entering crews they have made the crew members and their parents/guardians (where in loco parentis) aware of the above two paragraphs.

Clean Sport Statement

1. The British Rowing Sculling Festival is committed to Clean Sport. All athletes, athlete support personnel and clubs are bound and must abide by the World Anti-Doping Agency Code. Athletes competing at the British Rowing Sculling Festival could be tested at any time, and by entering this event it will be deemed that consent to be tested has been given.

2. To understand more about anti-doping, the rules and your responsibilities, go to www.britishrowing.org/antidoping or email antidoping@britishrowing.org.

Table of Key Dates

Activity	Date
Notice of Regatta Published	Monday 21 May 2018
Entries Open on BROE	Wednesday 6 June 2018 10:00hrs
Entries Close on BROE	Wednesday 8 August 2018 17:00hrs
Deadline for Entries Payment	Friday 10 August 2018
Timetable Published	Monday 13 August 2018

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