



## NOTICE OF COMPETITION

Pairs Head of the River Race, organised by Barnes Bridge Ladies RC  
Saturday 2nd October 14:00, 2021

River Thames, Chiswick Bridge to Harrods Wall approx. 4.5km

Entries will open on BROE2 on Saturday 28th August at 18:00

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Boat types: 2x & 2-

Categories offered:

- Junior J16, 2x; J18; 2x & 2-
- Senior: Open, Women; 2x & 2-
- Masters B-K: Open, Women; 2x & 2-
- Mixed and Mixed Masters B-K; 2x
- <sup>1</sup>Lightweight Open and Women; 2x
- <sup>2</sup>Adaptive; 2x & 2-

<sup>1</sup>The maximum weight for these events is in line with British Rowing rules for the winter period. For men max weight is 75kg, and for women max weight is 61.5kg. All lightweight competitors must meet this limit; there is no additional average crew weight restriction.

Any crew that entering lightweight that fails to weigh in successfully will be moved into the equivalent Open weight category. Weigh in arrangements will be emailed out to entrants.

<sup>2</sup>Please contact us to discuss your requirements.

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### 2021 marks 50 years since the first Pairs Head of the River Race

To celebrate this milestone, we will be awarding a number of additional prizes - including one for the crew placed 50th overall.

As part of the celebrations all Open and Women's crews entered in Masters Category D and above will make up the first section of the race and will be placed first in the start order.

Note - there will be a gap in racing after the first section to allow a clear run for subsequent crews.



The number of Pennant winning categories will be entirely dependent on the entries received.

Pennant categories will be awarded:

- Championship
- Intermediate
- Club
- Freshers

Once entries are closed we will create the draw applying the following principles:

- Banding by CRI for any category (Senior or Masters) with 10 entries or more, up to a maximum of four pennants awarded per category
- Pennants for categories with five or more entries (at the discretion of the Committee)
- Where there are Masters categories with insufficient entries, age groups will be combined up to a maximum of three age groups to create a pennant winning category, eg Mas G/H/I; these combined masters categories will have handicaps applied and will not be banded by CRI

The point distribution for each band will be available once the draw has been published.

## Entry Information

- Entries close at Saturday 18th September 2021 at 18:00, or when 350 entries have been received
- Entries via the BROE system only
- All entry fees must be paid at the time of entries close
- Entry fee - £40 per crew

For general enquiries please email: [enquiries-pairshead@bblrc.co.uk](mailto:enquiries-pairshead@bblrc.co.uk)

## COVID Safe

This event will run in accordance with current Government restrictions relating to the spread of COVID-19, and as set out in the latest British Rowing Guidelines and subject to our COVID-19 Risk Assessment being reviewed by British Rowing.

All participants must adhere to the Competitors Instructions, and must observe Government advice and BR Guidelines, as well as strictly following their Club's COVID-19 measures whilst participating in the event, both on and off the water.



## Event Information and Rules

1. The Pairs Head of the River Race is conducted under the Rules of British Rowing and the British Rowing Rules of Racing and are open to Clubs affiliated to British Rowing
2. All competitors must comply with Row Safe: A Guide to Good Practice in Rowing and the Regatta Safety Instructions. Crews must comply with the marshalling plan
3. In the event that the race is cancelled for reasons beyond the race organisers control entry fees will not be returned
4. All entries via the BROE System by the time and date shown on the poster. The appropriate entry fee must also be paid by the time and date shown on the poster
5. A crew that withdraws from an event after entries have closed will still be liable for the entry fee
6. Where more than five entries are received pennants will be awarded
7. The Organising Committee does reserve the right to alter the order of categories if necessary
8. Where Masters categories are combined the Masters Handicap System will be used in accordance with the Rules of Racing
9. Competitor Information will be published on the [Pairs Head website](#) by Tuesday 28th September
10. The decision of the Chief Umpire any aspect of the race operation will be final  
FAILURE OF COMPETITORS TO COMPLY WITH THESE RULES MAY LEAD TO THEIR DISQUALIFICATION
11. INSURANCE: Note that your BR membership insurance is only valid for permanent UK residents

## Photography

1. Competitors and those responsible for them should be aware that other, nonofficial photographers might operate at 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
2. Coaches and competitors agree that by entering crews they have made the crew members and their parents/guardians (where in loco parentis) aware that non-official photographs may operation at sporting events