



This is the first of a series of Electronic Bulletins regarding the 2025 South Coast Championship Rowing Regatta hosted by the West of England Amateur Rowing Association on Friday 5th & Saturday 6th September 2025.

This Information Bulletin has been sent to you because you were included in the mailing list for previous Championships, or because we believe that you may be interested/requested information about the event. If you would like to continue receiving Information about the Championships, it would be beneficial to add: SCC2025@Plymoutharc.org

This will assist in ensuring we won't be classed as spam. Likewise, should you not wish to receive further Emails please contact and we'll remove you. This way you should not be included in future Championship Information.

As a tidal estuary we have limitations in September requiring the Championships to be held over 2 days. This format was successful when we last held the Championships in 2008 and are hoping to emulate the same level of support for the multi day events from visiting clubs. We acknowledge that many Juniors will potentially be returning to school in the first week of September. Sport and team events are an important part of the curriculum and junior development. We hope your junior's school will support any request to attend these championships and we can help with providing a headed letter about the Championships if this will help.

Friday 5th SEPT - Junior and Invitation Races – 1000m

Junior Championship
1000m

GIRLS J14 4x+
BOYS J14 4x+
GIRLS J16 4x+
BOYS J16 4x+
GIRLS J18 4+
BOYS J18 4+

Invitation 1000m

GIRLS J14 1X
BOYS J14 1X
GIRLS J16 1X
BOYS J16 1X
GIRLS J18 1X
BOYS J18 1X
LADIES NOV 1X
MENS NOV 1X
LADIES OPEN 1X
MENS OPEN 1X
LADIES MAST 40+ 1X
MENS MAST 40+ 1X
LADIES OPEN 2-
MENS OPEN 2-
MIXED OPEN 4+

Please note the events listed are invitation events.

As such Championship rowers due to race on Saturday are also welcome to take part in these Friday events.

Prizegiving for Fridays events to be 1 hr after last race.

Reception and draw for the Championships will be held at the Marquee near the clubhouse on Friday 5th.
Start time TBD. (Just after the Junior and Invitation Prizegiving with a small-time gap to prepare)
Entry will be by Invitation only; however, we are hoping to livestream to a TV within the upstairs of the Clubhouse with all welcome.

Saturday 6th SEPT - Championship (1500m – Agreed by SCC Committee) and Open 1000m

Championship 1500m

LADIES JUNIOR 4+
MENS JUNIOR 4+
MENS JUNIOR/SENIOR 4+
LADIES SENIOR 4+
MENS SENIORS 4+
MENS MASTERS 40+
LADIES MASTERS 40+

This year we are welcoming a new addition, the LADIES MASTERS 40+ Championship Race.

Open 1000m

LADIES NOVICE 4+
MENS NOVICE 4+
LADIES JUNIOR 4+
MENS JUNIOR 4+
MENS JUNIOR/SENIOR 4+
LADIES SENIOR 4+
MENS SENIOR 4+
LADIES MASTERS 40+
MENS MASTERS 40+
LADIES MASTERS 50+
MENS MASTERS 50+

All Championship races will be conducted within a 1hr window either side of HIGH TIDE.

The MENS SENIOR 4+ Race for the 'Bideford Bowl' will be held at HIGH TIDE.

Prizegiving at Marquee near to Clubhouse 1hr after last race

BOATS TO BE USED FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIPS

In line with Championship Rule 9, this regatta will be raced in 'Fine' boats. However, the SCC Committee has agreed that should the advance weather forecast be such that Fine boats will not be suitable for the anticipated conditions within the estuary, then a switch to Coastal boats will be made. The decision on this will be made by the Championship Organising Committee at 12 o'clock (Midday) on Tuesday 2nd September, with immediate notification to the SCC WhatsApp group either way. Should the switch to Coastal boats be decided, all Single and Paired events for the Friday will be cancelled. This will also make transportation of coastal boats more practical for travelling clubs. Please be prepared for this possible outcome both for transportation and borrowing of boats.

To make the event viable with the tide and light it is important we endeavour to maintain a strict time schedule. Therefore, we draw your attention to the following adapted Championship start rule to ensure everyone gets to race over the 2 days without events later in the regatta program having to be cancelled due to previous start issues impacting on available time.

ALL CREWS WILL BE SUBJECT TO A “FIRST WARNING” WITH NO RECALL FOR FALSE STARTING

Any crew or crews failing to obey instructions by the starter to get back behind the starting line or starting over the line or starting to row before the dropping of the yellow flag will be DISQUALIFIED WITHOUT APPEAL. They will be notified of their disqualification AT THE FINISH.

All Captains to be fully briefed on the day.

Start Instructions will be sent out well in advance prior to the Championships. This way ALL Rowers and Coxswains will be fully prepared for these start conditions.

The Championship Organising Committee want everyone attending to have a fantastic time racing, to enjoy the weekend and return home smiling. Please follow these necessary start conditions to let this happen 😊.

CHAMPIONSHIP ORGANISING COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN	-	ROB KINGDON
REGATTA SECRETARY	-	DAVE REEBY
TREASURER	-	COLIN SANDERSON
SAFETY ADVISOR	-	CARL THOMAS

(WITH THANKS TO OUR WEARA ASSOCIATES AND SCC COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR THEIR HELP AND INPUT TOWARDS THESE CHAMPIONSHIPS)

CHAMPIONSHIP INFORMATION DELIVERY

WhatsApp – “SCC 2025 Captains”

Instant messaging platform for all South Coast Championship Information.

Please request to join if you are responsible for your clubs’ entries to these Championships or hold a position within your club that requires you to have access.

Facebook – “South Coast Rowing Championships 2025”

Newly created Facebook Group for general information about the Championships.

Still in early stages of development.

Webpage – <https://plymoutharc.org/scc-2025>

All E.Bulletins to be available through the Website

E.Bulletin No2 – Information on Plymouth as a city and Local Accommodation to follow shortly

For all enquiries about the Championships, Adverts for the Regatta Programme or to Sponsor a Race, contact the SCC Organising Committee via SCC2025@Plymoutharc.org

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On behalf of Organising Committee & WEARA