

CLARE NOVICES' REGATTA 2013

NOTICE OF REGATTA

Dear Cambridge College Boat Clubs,

Entries are now open for this year's Clare Novices' Regatta. The Regatta will be held from Thursday 28th to Saturday 30th November.

All the information about the Regatta, including the full rules and the online entry system, can be found at http://www.clareboatclub.org.uk/cnr. Please take the time to read through the rules.

The Regatta is the usual format of side-by-side racing over an 800m course. There are four events: Men's Cup, Women's Cup, Men's Plate and Women's Plate. The top crew of each gender should be entered into the Cup and other crews into the Plate, unless you are entering 4 or more boats of one gender. In this case, the top 2 crews enter the Cup. The defining feature of the Regatta is that no rower may have rowed or sculled in a race before 1st September 2013 and no cox may have coxed in a race before the same date. Please see the website for full details. If you are unsure as to whether or not a rower or cox satisfies the novice criteria then please don't hesitate to contact me at <u>claregatta@gmail.com</u>.

To enter crews, please visit the Online Entry page of the Regatta website. The first individual to log in via Raven for each college will be able to enter crews and grant another CRSid the ability to do the same. Entries are £55 per crew and close at midnight ending Sunday 18th November. Entries submitted after this time may be refused and will be subject to an increased fee of £60. If you have any problems with the system, please contact me. Payment is preferably made by direct transfer (account details available on the website) but cheques are also acceptable. Please make them out to "Clare Novices' Regatta" and deliver them to Clare Boat Club, Clare College Old Court by the entry deadline.

There will be a meeting for coaches and coxes on Sunday 24th November at 20:30 in the Great Hall, Clare College Old Court, the Sunday before the Regatta. Safety and marshaling procedures will be explained and the draw and order of racing will be distributed. All competing coxes must attend, together with a senior representative from their college (such as a Lower Boats Captain).

If you have any problems or questions please email me at this address, claregatta@gmail.com.

Kind regards,

Edward Mills, Clare Novices' Regatta Senior Umpire.







