**Newnham Short Course**

**Saturday 4th February 2017**

**RACE REGULATIONS**

1. **Rules**
	1. All entrants shall comply with any applicable rules, regulations and byelaws, including:
		1. the CUCBC rules;
		2. the ARA rules;
		3. the ARA Water Safety Code; and
		4. Bylaws of the Conservators of the Cam.
	2. In the event that any regulation of Newnham Short Course Regatta is contrary to a mandatory rule of the CUCBC or the ARA, the latter shall take precedence.
2. **Control**

Newnham Short Course Regatta shall remain under the control of Newnham College Boat Club (NCBC) and its appointed race organisers.

1. **Eligibility**

Any member of the University qualified to row in CUCBC-run races according to CUCBC Regulations for Racing shall be qualified to compete.

1. **Date and time**

The races shall take place on Saturday 4th February 2016 from 11:00 to approximately 16:00.

1. **Entry fee**
	1. The entry fee shall be £45 per VIII entered;
	2. All fees shall be paid to Newnham College Boat Club prior to the race.
2. **Course**
	1. All crews shall begin with a rolling start. Crews shall start three boat lengths downstream of the Motorway Bridge and timing shall start when the bowball passes the Motorway Bridge.
	2. The race shall finish at the Railway Bridge.
	3. Timing will be to the nearest second.
	4. Motorway Bridge and Railway Bridge shall be deemed to be where the marshals indicate them to be.
3. **Start order**
	1. The start order shall be arranged by the organisers prior to the race, at the discretion of NCBC.
	2. The organisers will take reasonable endeavours to comply with the following guidelines:
		1. Where boat sharing is required and the organisers are informed in advance, any crews sharing the boats shall, where possible, be placed in different divisions.
		2. Any other extenuating circumstances shall receive due consideration.
4. **Marshalling**
	1. Divisions 2-5 should marshal at Chesterton and division 1 should row straight up to the railway bridge and marshal there.
	2. All boats must follow marshals’ instructions on spinning and parking.
	3. All boats must have marshalled before the time stated on the event timetable.
5. **Safety**
	1. In accordance with the relevant CUCBC regulations:

**i)** All coxes must wear a serviceable lifejacket when on the river and must be able to demonstrate how to inflate it.

**ii)** All boats must be correctly fitted with a bow-ball.

**iii)** All boats must be fitted with heel restraints, which comply with BR regulations. Concept II type footplates must be modified in accordance with BR guidelines.

**iv)** All boats must have covers correctly fitted to all hatches, and canvasses must be watertight .

* 1. The emergency stop signal will be a sustained blast on a siren. Upon hearing this signal all crews must stop
1. **Disqualification**
	1. Any boat being overtaken must give way to the overtaking boat. Failure to do so shall at the organisers’ discretion result in disqualification or another appropriate penalty.
	2. The coxswain of a boat seeking to overtake shall make the slower boat’s coxswain aware of his/her intention in good time.
	3. Any boat which fails to marshal at its designated time shall at the organisers’ discretion be turned back and disqualified.
2. **Prizes**

Prizes will be awarded for:

* 1. Fastest women’s first VIII;
	2. Fastest men’s first VIII;
	3. Fastest women’s 2nd VIII;
	4. Fastest men’s 2nd VIII;
	5. Fastest women’s lower VIII;
	6. Fastest men’s lower VIII.
1. **Cancellation and scratching**
	1. Cancellation
		1. Should a club seek to cancel its entry or entries, it shall inform the organisers in reasonable time before the race. Any cancellations less than 24 hours before the race will not receive refunded entry fees.
		2. The organisers may at their reasonable discretion cancel a race or races, or subject to rule 4 (“Date and time”) postpone a race or races, for safety reasons. In the event of a cancellation, full reimbursement of entry fees cannot be guaranteed, as a result of expenses incurred prior to Race Day. Every attempt will be made to inform affected crews directly or via the CUCBC Contacts list as soon as the decision is made.
2. **Disclaimer**

The organisers of Newnham Short Course, NCBC, or its members accept no responsibility for any loss or damage howsoever caused in relation to Newnham Short Course Regatta.

1. **Interpretation**
	* 1. Any queries as to the interpretation of these rules should be directed to Isabella Bentley (ncbc.regattasec@gmail.com)
		2. In the event of disputes regarding rules on the day of the event, the decision of any authorised marshal shall be conclusive.