

Welcome to the Royal Canadian Henley Masters Regatta - 2011

On behalf of this year's Henley Commission, we would like to thank you for participating in this year's Royal Canadian Henley Masters Regatta. This is the third year that the Henley Masters races have occupied their own day in the schedule and as a result we are seeing increased interest in the regatta with 525 participants and 334 entries.

Training and Racing Schedule

This table summarizes the key activities related to the Henley Masters event:

| Day | Date | Start Time | Finish Time | Activity |
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| Saturday | July 30 | 8:00am | | Access to trailer parking area opens - security coverage begins |
| | | 6:00am | 4:00pm | Course available for local club training only |
| | | 4:00pm | 6:00pm | Course closed - start pontoons being installed |
| | | 6:00pm | 8:00pm | Course available for Masters training only |
| Sunday | July 31 | 6:00am | 7:00am | Course available for Masters training only |
| | | 7:00am | 7:15am | Coaches Meeting at Control Commission |
| | | 8:00am | 4:00pm | Henley Masters Racing Schedule - Heats and Finals |
| | | 3:00pm | 6:00pm | Henley Masters Barbecue - open to rowers and volunteers |
| | | 5:00pm | 8:00pm | Course available for local club training only |

Please take special note of the training times where the Henley course is restricted to local club or Masters training only. The course will only be open to out of town crews competing in the regular open Henley events after 6:00am, Monday, August 1st.

Please pick up a copy of the course training map when you arrive on Henley Island. For the safety of all competitors, it is important to be aware of and observe all course traffic rules during training sessions and in the warm up period prior to racing.

Wristband Access to Henley Island

There will be no wristbands issued to Masters competitors, nor will there be any admission charged for access to Henley Island or the Henley Grandstand from Saturday, July 30 to Tuesday, August 2. Normal admission charges will apply from Wednesday, August 3 to Sunday, August 7.

Masters Coxie Weighings

There will be no weighing in of Masters coxies this year.

Changes to Henley Masters

This year we will be introducing two new events; AA Men's and Woman's Single. Both the AA Singles and the Mixed events are exhibition events for this year (a different medal is awarded) and their permanent status will be evaluated after the regatta. We also, by request, removed the adaptive events from this year's Masters portion of the regatta and have integrated adaptive events into the following Sunday schedule.

Masters Office

We will be setting up a dedicated Masters office, located in the north end of the regatta office/boat house. Access will be by the stairway to the traditional weigh-in room. Office hours for masters' issues (name changes, scratches, and late entries) only will be Saturday, July 31, 12:00pm to 5:00pm, and Sunday, July 31, 8:00am to 10:00am. Please note: late entries will only be accepted during Saturday's Office Hours.

Masters and Volunteer Barbeque

We would like to invite all Masters Competitors, Coaches, and Regatta Volunteers, to join us for a celebratory barbeque at the conclusion of racing on **Sunday, 3:00pm to ~6:00pm**. We will provide a free drink and food ticket to each participant and additional food and beverages will be available for purchase. The location of the barbecue is the St. Catharines Rowing Alumni Club House, situated at the top of Henley Island and commanding a beautiful view of Martindale Pond

Thank you for making the Royal Canadian Henley Masters an important stop on your regatta circuit this year.

Peter Scott

Chair – Royal Canadian Henley Masters Regatta- 2011