**Location**

• The Race is being held in the Bedford Channel, Fort Langley (see venue on regatta central)

• Trailers need to be parked on Kwantlen island, and in the day use area of Brae Island/Fort

Camping day use. There are washrooms and picnic tables on shore there, directly across from the boat

house. Access is via the bridge and turn left at Fort Campground and left into the day-use parking. Right for Kwantlen parking.

• There is lots of parking in Fort Langley, with no cost involved. Fort Camping day use area will have room

For some vehicles, Marina Park off Church and Mavis St. has parking (east side of Glover Road). Bedford

Landing adjacent to the boathouse has lots of little streets down closer to the channel, as well

. Check out things to do at <http://www.fortlangleyvillage.com/>

**Event Categories**

• Juniors: Under 19, Under 17

• Senior: Under 23, Open, Novice

• Masters: AA (aged 21 to 27) and the usual A through J, Novice

-AA - B average age: 21 - 44 years

-C - J average age: 45 - 90 years

* Para Athletes

**Launch**

• Coach/coxswain’s meeting @ 7:30am.

7:45 am: 8+ and 4 launch and all boats from island.

8:00 am: Small boats can launch

8:35am: Launching closed from dock

8:35am – 8:40am: prestart Line-up begins on the east side of the bridge.

8:45am – FIRST RACE BEGINS, running start, going off every 20-40 seconds

Break.

11:00 am: 8+ and 4+ launch plus all boat from island.

11:20 am: small boats launch

11:50am: Launching dock closes

11:50- 11:55am: Pre-start line-up begins.

12:00 pm: Second race begins, with a running start, going off every 20-40 seconds

**Race**

• 4.4 km head race info -Crews will race west, keeping to the starboard shore, slower crews moving off to starboard to allow faster boats to pass. Keep the red buoys to your port side.

• There will be a large yellow buoy as the turnaround buoy. There will be a red buoys to mark the turning buoy, to be rounded In and out of the turn this is a no passing zone. A 1min penalty will be applied to any boat that cuts a corner by not correctly rounding these bright yellow buoys, not yielding to the right of way for a faster crew.

• The overtaking crew has right of way in passing sections and the overtaken crew must yield water away from the overtaking crew. No crew may compromise the safety of another during passing. Especially in tight water safety is the responsibility of both crews. Listen to officials if they ask you to delay passing. Disqualification will result for failing to heed an official’s warning or compromising the safety of another crew.

• Once again, crews will keep closer to the starboard shore, red buoys on your port side, taking caution with the end of the island

• The Finish Line is at the south-west end of the channel, at the pier (the longer observation deck, after the little red pump-house – south side), and marked by orange buoy. Start line adjacent to pub dock beside boathouse dock..

• Crews can move into the cool-down area, keeping the same course in that area as the race course.

• You will be called to dock, by the warm-up/cool-down area Safety boat.

**Boats not Finishing**

• If you retire or choose not to complete the course for any reason, please advise the nearest safety boat.

**Risk**

• Competitors and crews participate in the race entirely at their own risk. The decision to race is that of the competing crew alone. The organizers will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, or during or after the event.

**Amenities**

• Fort Langley has a great deal to offer with regards to amenities. Wendel’s coffee shop, restaurants, Village Coffee & Tea Shop and the Fort Pub are popular places to check out.

* Rail and River Bistro will provide Drinks and Food for purchase during the event, located at the plaza at the top of the Ramp to the boathouse (Breakfast Parfaits, sandwiches, burgers, etc.)

**Awards**

There will be awards for 1stplace

Handicap fastest boat overall, awards for Top/Fastest Female and Men Junior, Novice Crew, singles ,doubles and Para

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