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Subject: ROWONTARIO Championships Update

Good evening,

You are receiving this email because your email address is connected to a RegattaCentral account that submitted entries for the 50th annual ROWONTARIO Championships regatta in London this weekend.

Please read this email to the end, as there is a lot of important information!

RACE DRAW

We are working on the draw and expect to have it posted later this evening or first thing tomorrow morning. Thank you for your patience. We are excited about the number of entries, but RegattaMaster is not set up for an entry-based progression system so it takes a little more manual blood, sweat and tears to get it just right! We do have two full days of racing ahead of us, though, which is very exciting. I will post the preliminary draw on RegattaCentral and all of ROWONTARIO's social media platforms when it is ready, and email it to you as well for you to share with your group.

MAPS

Maps are now posted on RegattaCentral. Please review the warm-up, time trial and racing traffic patterns with your athletes, as well as the traffic pattern in the trailer area. We will review all maps at the coaches meeting, so if you have questions please ask!

NOTES FOR SPECTATORS

Please share the venue maps with any spectators and supporters who will be traveling with you, as the trailer area will be restricted to competitors, coaches, officials, volunteers and staff only. With 33 clubs attending the regatta this year, there will be no space for parent tents, barbecues or other set-ups in the trailer area. If you wish to have a tent at your trailer site, please keep it contained within your designated area and be careful not to obstruct the traffic pattern for crews launching and returning from the docks. There is a limited area for tents near the grandstands, and the grandstands themselves will be a great spot to watch races.

PARKING – PARTICIPANTS

Please note that parking will be strictly enforced. Please refer to the site map posted on RegattaCentral for reference based on these notes:

- The parking lot closest to the boathouse is for volunteers and staff ONLY.
- The next closest parking lot has limited spaces and parking will be available for \$10/day for those who wish to park that close.
- Free parking will be available across the dam. A free shuttle bus will run from 15 minutes before weigh-ins open until 15 minutes after racing is complete, with stops at the boathouse and grandstands.

- Participants or spectators with accessibility requirements can speak to a parking attendant and will be given permission to drive to the grandstand or boathouse if appropriate.

PARKING – TRAILERS

Trailers are welcome to start arriving on Thursday or Friday. Please email me if you know your approximate arrival time so I can keep our local organizing committee in the loop. Someone will be there to direct you depending on the size of your trailer.

Car top singles, etc. will be able to drive in to drop off their boats on the racks provided, but then must remove their vehicle to one of the parking lots. Cars will only be allowed to do this drop-off on Thursday, Friday, and before 7am / 30 minutes after racing on the weekend. Other times may be restricted depending on how busy the trailer area is to ensure everyone's safety.

COACHES MEETING

As a reminder, 1 representative from each club is required to sign in at the Coaches Meeting on Friday at 7pm. The coaches meeting will be held in the boat house in the large room, which will also be the Regatta Office. You can't miss it. There will be no coaches meeting on Saturday or Sunday morning before racing.

PRACTICE TIMES, OFFICE HOURS, ETC.

Please review the Regatta Package for information about the Regatta Office and practice times. As a reminder, changes for Saturday can only be made on Friday, and changes for Sunday can only be made on Saturday. The only exception is for the Mixed 2x and Regional 4x events, which will accept entries up until 2 hours before the posted race time.

Crews will not be permitted to launch for practice without signing up in the regatta office first, and there must be adequate safety boat coverage on the water. Coaches are responsible for acting as safety boats for these practices and must sign up in the regatta office as well. When you show your PCOC, you will be assigned to an area for safety. Don't forget to sign in when you get off the water, too. Practice will only run at the discretion of the Chief Umpire, weather and water permitting.

WAIVERS

Just a reminder that all international participants need to submit a signed waiver. You can find it on RegattaCentral as well!

50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Tickets are still available for the 50th Anniversary Celebration at Joe Kool's in London. You can purchase tickets for \$25 or 5 for \$100 on RegattaCentral under Register → Banquet. The cost of the ticket covers food, and drink tickets will also be available. The event is scheduled for 6-10pm and the venue will be all-ages until 9:30, after which point those of us who are 19+ can stay to continue celebrating if we so wish. PLEASE share this information with your athletes, coaches and supporters. There are only a limited number of tickets available, and we would love to see you there.

I THINK THAT'S IT...

On behalf of all the staff at ROWONTARIO, we wish you and your athletes the best of luck this weekend. All of our staff will be on site this weekend, so please come say hello!

Please also continue to check RegattaCentral for updates.

See you this weekend!

Thank you,

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