



47th Head Of The Charles Regatta

Three miles against the clock • Individuals, Schools, Colleges, Clubs • Individually computer-timed
Separate Men's & Women's divisions in each Event • Medals awarded in each event-division

ORDER OF EVENTS (Men's/Women's)

Saturday, October 22, 2011 **Sunday, October 23, 2011**

Grand-Master Singles (50+)
Senior-Master Singles (40+)
Senior-Master Eights (50+)
Senior-Master Fours (50+)
Senior-Master Doubles (50+)
Alumni Eights
Club Singles
Club Fours
Club Eights
Master Doubles (40+)
Master Fours (40+)
Master Eights (40+)
Championship Doubles
Collegiate Fours
Championship Singles
Directors' Parent/Child Double
Directors' Mixed Double

LTA Mixed Fours
TA Mixed Doubles
Senior-Veteran Singles* (70+)
Veteran Singles** (60+)
Directors' Challenge Quads Women
Youth Fours
Master Singles
Youth Doubles
Lightweight Singles
Directors' Challenge Quads Men
Youth Eights
Championship Fours
Championship Eights
Directors' Challenge Quads Mix
Collegiate Eights
Lightweight Fours
Lightweight Eights

Veteran Handicaps: * 12 seconds/yr over 70, ** 8 seconds/yr over 60

The Directors' Challenge Quad and Double are special event supporting the Head Of The Charles Regatta endowment and require separate application forms.

MEDALS

First Place Medals shall be awarded to all competitors in entries that post the fastest time in the event-division in which they competed. **Special Medals** engraved VETERAN, GRAND-MASTER, or COLLEGE-CHAMPIONSHIP, shall be awarded respectively to the fastest **Veteran** crew in each event-division of the Senior Master 2x, 4+, and 8+; and the fastest **Grand-Master** crew in each event-division of the Senior-Master 2x, 4+ and 8+, and the fastest crew representing accredited/chartered **Colleges or Universities** in each event-division of the Championship 4+ and Championship 8+. Institutions planning to compete for the **College-Championship (CC), Veteran, (V) or Grand Master (GM)** Special Medals should elect to do so when submitting athlete line-ups. Winners of special medals will not be awarded subordinate medals should they qualify. No special medal will be awarded if the first place medal winner also qualifies for a special medal. **Subordinate Medals** are awarded as follows: 2nd PLACE in event-divisions comprising at least ten entries, 3rd PLACE in those comprising at least twenty entries, 4th PLACE in those comprising at least thirty entries, and 5th PLACE in those comprising forty or more entries.

With the exception of the Directors' Challenge Quad race, no one, including coxswains, may compete more than once in the Regatta, and all competitors must race in traditional (sliding seat, fixed-rigger) racing shells.

SPECIFICATIONS OF CREW EVENTS:

(Note: ages stipulated are as of race day, in number of whole years lived; sculling events may have separate specifications)

Alumni: Persons who attended the same academic institution (named at the time of entry application) who are not currently enrolled at the institution in question.*

Lightweight: Men: **New for 2011** rowers' weights not over 165 lbs.; Women: rowers' weights not over 133 lbs., no averaging. No person (coxswain included) enrolled in high school.

Championship: No person (coxswain included) enrolled in high school.

Men's divisions: Male rowers only.

Women's divisions: Female rowers only.

Coxswains: May be of either sex, but must carry sufficient weight so as to weigh at least 100 lbs. over the entire racecourse.

CREW ENTRIES (Fours, Eights)

CLOSING DATE: September 1st (Any received thereafter will be returned.)

Order of receipt prior to the deadline is immaterial. Crew Entry applications shall be accepted only from institutions from which a completed Institutional Registration Card has been received.

While the names of competitors in sweep-oared entries do not need to be revealed until registration, only bona fide members of an institution shall be eligible to compete in a sweep-oared entry representing that institution. Because of liability in the event of an accident on the race course, any institution which knowingly allows any of its members to assume a spurious affiliation with another institution in order to enable a particular crew to gain entry to the Regatta, or any institution which knowingly allows its name to be used by any individuals who are not bona fide members of that institution in order to enable a particular crew to gain entry to the Regatta, will be subject to sanctions by the Committee.

Acceptance: On the basis of winning a Special Medal or finishing within the top half (based on entries) of the sweep-oared event-division in which they competed the preceding year, institutions are guaranteed entry acceptance into those **same event-divisions**, provided all conditions of eligibility, deadlines, fees, etc., are met. If a guarantee was earned in a Club event-division, such guarantee may be transferred, at the time of entry application, to the same division (Men's/Women's) and boat type (Fours/Eights) in another sweep-oared event. Institutions planning to compete for the **College Championship (CC), Grand Master (GM), or Veteran (V)** Special Medals should do so when submitting athlete line-ups. Final eligibility will be determined at registration.

In addition to such 'guaranteed' entries, an institution may apply for up to four additional sweep-oared entries in men's event-divisions and up to four additional sweep-oared entries in women's divisions with the following restrictions: A. Institutions may submit

SPECIFICATIONS OF CREW EVENTS (cont'd)

Club: Persons (coxswains included) not currently enrolled in high school*, who, in any sculling or sweep-oared competition ("master/veteran" competition excepted), **DID NOT: A. in the current or preceding eight calendar years**, finish among the top three places at the FISA World Championships or Olympic Games; **B. in the current or preceding five calendar years**, compete at the FISA World Championships or Olympic games; **C. in the preceding five calendar years**, finish in first-place in a Championship or Lightweight event-division at the Head Of The Charles Regatta; **D. in the preceding calendar year**, earn a medal in any event-division at the Head Of The Charles Regatta; or finish among the top three places in an eight at the Canadian University Rowing Championship; **E. in the current calendar year**, compete in the quarter-finals when there are at least 17 entries, semi-finals, or finals of the Henley Royal Regatta or Henley Women's Regatta; **F. in the current calendar year**, finish among the top 6 places at USRowing Elite National Championships in any event-division in which there are at least 12 entries or in the top four in any event-division in which there are at least 6 entries; **G. in the current calendar year**, finish among the **top six places** in any national team trials (juniors excepted), national or international championships (USRowing Elite National Championships, FISA World Cup, Pan-Am Games, FISA Junior Worlds, World Under 23 Regatta, Head Of The River Race, etc.), Copley or Jessop-Whittier events at the San Diego Crew Classic, first varsity eight event at EARC Sprints, EAWRC Sprints, South/Central Sprints, NCAA (Division I events only), PAC-10, IRA; **H. in the current calendar year**, finish among the **top three places** in a 2000 meter event at the Royal Canadian Henley Regatta (junior events excepted); **I. in the current calendar year** finish in **first-place** in a varsity-eight event at the Dad Vail Regatta, the ECAC National Invitational Collegiate Championships, the American Collegiate Rowing Championships, or NCAA Finals (all divisions). **NB: The Regatta reserves the right to rule on any competition situation not specifically addressed above and to grant exceptions on the rules above based on competitive standards. * Students enrolled in High School are permitted to enter the Club Single Event. ** Any athlete competing as a Senior or U23 national team member under the name of their nation's governing body in national or international competition in the current calendar year is ineligible for the Club event-division. Juniors who have competed as a junior national team member under the name of their nation's governing body in international competition are also ineligible for the Club event-divisions.**

Men's Collegiate Fours/Eights*: Eligible men's rowing programs are those whose crews did not: **A.** in the current calendar year, compete in Copley event at the San Diego CC; **B.** in the current calendar year, compete in finals (grand or petite) of a first varsity eight at the EARC or IRA Championships; **C.** in the current calendar year, finish among the top six places at the PAC-10 Championships, or **D.** in the preceding calendar year, finish among the top three places in an eight at the Canadian University Rowing Championships.

Women's Collegiate Fours/Eights*: Restricted to crews whose rowing programs are considered Division II or III under NCAA rules. **A.** in the current calendar year, compete in the Jessop Whittier event at the San Diego Crew Classic; **B.** in the current calendar year, compete in the finals (grand or petite) of a first varsity eight at the EAWRC or South/Central Sprints; or **C.** in the preceding calendar year, finish among the top three places in an eight at the Canadian University Championships.

Applicants made up of bona fide students enrolled at and representing accredited/chartered colleges or universities outside of North America must contact HOCR before applying for Collegiate events in order to assess that they are properly placed in this event. The HOCR will make eligibility determinations for all foreign crews.

Master: Rowers' ages average at least 40 years, none except coxswain under 30 years old.

Senior-Master: Rowers' ages average at least 50 years, none except coxswain under 30 years old.

Grand-Master: (Special Medal) Rowers' ages average at least 60 years, none except coxswain under 30 years old.

Veteran: (Special Medal) Rowers' ages average at least 70 years, none except coxswain under 30 years.

Youth: Persons (coxswain included) enrolled in high school

only one non-guaranteed entry per event-division and these may not be ranked; and B. Including guaranteed entries, an Institution may have no more than three entries in one event-division. Except for Charity Program entries, and except for variances, which only the Managing Directors may grant, a blind draw from among the applications in each event-division shall be used where necessary to determine the final entry acceptances into each sweep-oared event-division. The draw will take place in early September. As compensation for providing operational assistance to the Regatta, the Managing Directors may grant the acceptance of one extra (but "non-point earning") entry to each of a limited number of local institutions into the sweep-oared event-division of the institution's choice.

Entry Withdrawal Deadline and Penalties: The deadline for withdrawing an entry is **October 1st**. No refund will be given for withdrawn entries. Institutions that fail to notify the Regatta of their withdrawal from, or inability to compete in, a sweep-oared Event-division by October 1st shall not be eligible to compete in that particular Event-division in the following year's Regatta. The Regatta will replace withdrawn entries by offering entry to the next applicant or crew on the waiting list (based upon the original blind draw) for the same event-division. **No crew may contain an individual who remained entered in any sculling event after the October 1st withdrawal deadline.**

Seeding/Starting Order: An institution which has an entry accepted into a Crew event-division in which it properly competed the preceding year will start ahead of all new entrants in that event-division and will be seeded according to its finishing position in that event-division the preceding year. The Regatta reserves the right to make exceptions to the seeding policy.

Please Note: All non-guaranteed entries are subject to a random draw in early September.

Crew Entries

