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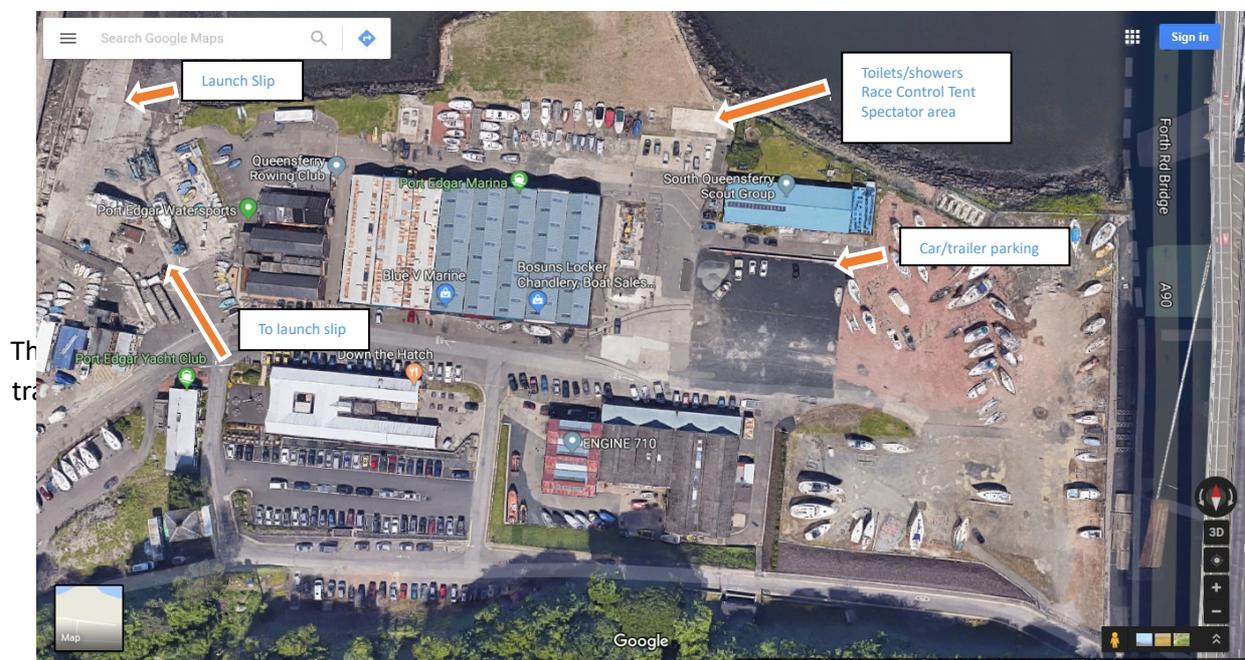
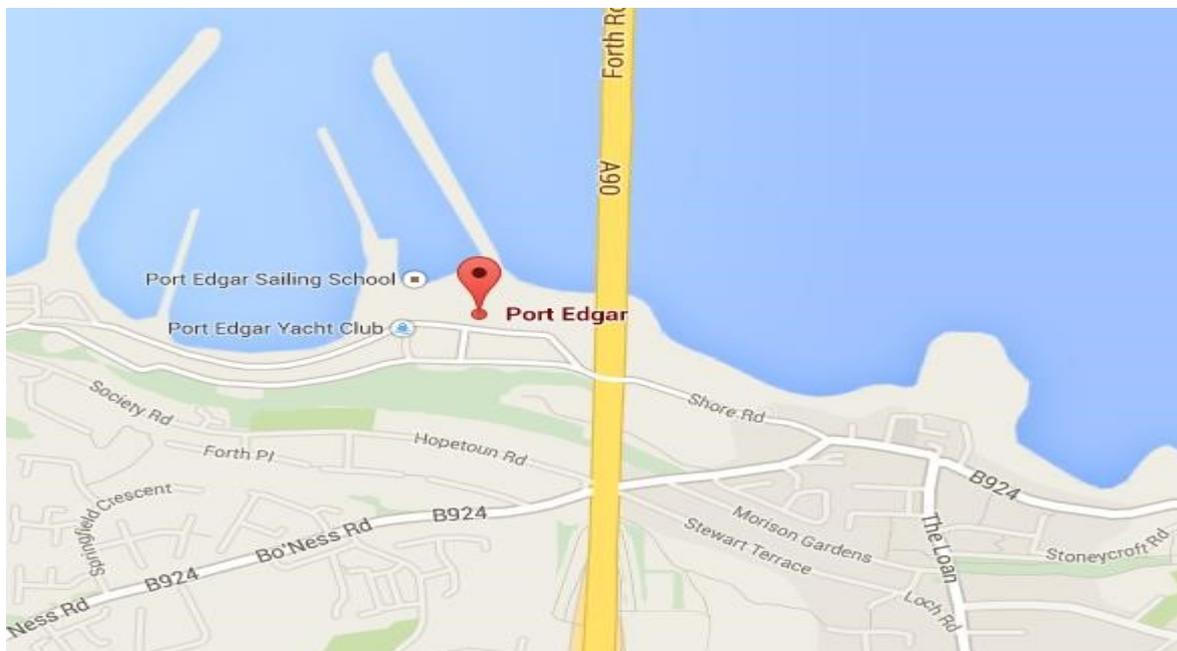
Queensferry Rowing Club Regatta 26 May 2018: Information for clubs attending

The following should represent all the information you require to attend and have fun at the Queensferry Regatta 2018. If there are any further queries then please do not hesitate to contact Peter Locke (secretary@queensferryrowing.org) who will be happy to help.

How to find us

South Queensferry is located on the river Forth, next to the world renowned Forth Bridges and only a short drive from the City of Edinburgh.

The regatta will be held out of **Port Edgar**, where QRC is based: Port Edgar Marina, Shore Rd, Queensferry EH30 9SQ. 55.99101 N, - 3.41115 E





Rules

All races will be fully compliant with all of the Scottish Coastal Rowing Association rules. Visiting clubs are responsible for ensuring that all participants are fully aware of the current rules.

However, we would draw your attention to the following:

- All boats will display a flag or equivalent which clearly shows their boats number within the fleet as designated on the SCRA craft register.
- Queensferry Rowing Club reserves the right to disqualify any club, in an individual race or as a whole, which is not fully equipped with adequate safety equipment at all times. The removal of safety equipment, for example anchors, is strictly prohibited. All teams shall wear life jackets or SCRA approved equivalents. All boats should be equipped with a VHF radio. If these requirements represent a problem, please contact QRC.
- All boats are subject to inspection to ensure that they are in compliance with the rules.

Categories

There will be eight races in total. The following categories will be used:

- Ladies 60+
- Mixed 50+
- Men's 200+
- Mixed Novice
- Mixed Decades
- Women's Open
- Men's Open, Andy's Race

We actively encourage the borrowing or lending of rowers when it allows a skiff to take part in a race when it would otherwise be unable to do so. If there are any categories for which you require additional rowers, please get in touch at the race control tent.

Andy's Race

This race is intended to be a bit of fun and a chance to use other boats and row with members of other clubs. It is in memory of the late Andy Jarvis.

Each club will be responsible for providing a suitably experienced cox to take charge of their own boat.

During registration, clubs should provide a list of eligible names. Rowers will be randomly assigned to each boat on the basis of one name from each hat per boat.



Launching Fee

As Port Edgar charges a launching fee, we ask that each club pays this fee at registration. The fee will be £10.

Arrival

Upon your skiff's arrival at Port Edgar you will be directed towards the slipway for launching your boat and towards the trailer parking area by members of QRC. Please launch your skiff as quickly as possible as space at the slipway is at a premium. It is a shared slip so please be respectful of other users. Details of all areas are indicated on the map on page 1.

There should be sufficient parking on site at Port Edgar and there will be members of QRC to help direct you to the parking area. There are a number of alternate places for parking to which you will be directed if necessary.

Registration

Please send a representative to the race control tent to register your team. This representative should bring the following:

- Club registration form
- A list of all members wishing to be in Andy's Race
- A copy of your insurance details.
- The launching fee (£10).

Cox's briefing

A full Cox's briefing will be conducted at 9am. All members of your club who may cox throughout the day must attend.

All clubs must ensure that their cox is sufficiently experienced for the role. If any club is uncertain about their ability to provide a sufficiently experienced cox they should contact QRC immediately and we will be happy to make a cox available.



Race schedule

The intention is that the day should run to the schedule below with races starting at 10am and approximately 45mins thereafter. The races will be started in two waves with a gap of about 5 minutes between waves:

- Ladies 60+
- Mixed 50+
- Men's 200+
- Mixed Novice
- Mixed Decades
- Women's Open
- Men's Open, Andy's Race

All clubs are responsible for ensuring that they get their team onto the water in time for the start of the race. All clubs should be on the line and ready with time to spare.

Launching

Upon arrival all skiffs will be launched from the slipway and rowed to the reserved pontoon area. Clubs are required to have all necessary equipment for being tied to a pontoon or for being rafted to another boat tied to a pontoon. Please ensure you have:

- Paddles
- Fenders
- Fore and Aft Painters

Facilities

During your time with us you will have full access to the facilities available at Port Edgar. These include:

- Changing rooms/showers. (Code will be given on the day)
- Cafe
- Home baking, teas & coffee

Camping & Accommodation

Camping facilities will be available on request; please let us know as soon as possible if this is a requirement. We will endeavour to provide camping facilities for all those who require them, but please try to let us know at least one week prior to the Regatta . We hope to extend a warm welcome to any club wishing to stay the night. Alternatively there are several options for accommodation



close by including Orocco Pier & The Hawes Inn. Do drop our Secretary a note if you require any other information.

Spectating

A spectator's area with a full view of the course is marked on the Port Edgar map (above). We welcome all spectators. Please note that there is a slight walk between the spectator area and the pontoons – so please allow sufficient time to get to the pontoons if you are in the subsequent race.

Soup and Sandwiches, Home Baking, Tea and Coffee

Will all be available from the QRC shed which is near to the race control tent and spectator area.

Hot food

If you are wishing for hot food there are several cafes on site.

The Course

A diagram of the course is attached. Skiffs will be set off in two waves with approximately 5 minutes between. Please ensure that you arrive behind the start line in good time to start the race. The start line is behind the East Breakwater of Port Edgar and close to the Forth Road Bridge. Skiffs race eastwards to a buoy which is past a line off the Old Harbour. This is a starboard turn racing south to the next buoy. Another starboard turn to race westwards back towards the start. **N.B.** The finish line is close to but further south (nearer the shore) than the start line. The course is subject to change depending on conditions on the day and will be fully explained in the Coxes Brief.