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Shing Mun River Regatta III

Race Notice

Organized by	: Hong Kong, China Rowing Association (HKCRA)
Subvented by	: Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Date	: 31st July 2016 (Sunday)
Time	: 9:00 a.m. – 16:00 p.m.
Venue	: Sha Tin Rowing Centre / Jockey Club Shek Mun Rowing Centre
Centre User Application Deadline	: Friday, 15 th July 2016 (12:00 noon, Hong Kong Time)
Entry Deadline	: Monday, 18 th July 2016 (12:00 noon, Hong Kong Time)

1. Events

Categories	Group	Events	
Open Events (2000m)	A	Men's 4+	✓
	A	Men's 4-	✓
	A	Men's 1x	✓
	A	Women's 8+	✓
	A	Women's 2x	✓
	B	Men's 8+	✓
	B	Men's 2x	✓
	B	Women's 4+	✓
	B	Women's 4-	✓
	B	Women's 1x	✓
Masters Events (1000m)	A	Men's 1x	✓
	A	Women's 2x	✓
	B	Men's 4x	✓
	B	Women's 4-	✓

1.1 Masters events are restricted to rowers who have attained the age of 27 years (Born on or before 31st Dec 1989).

2. Rules of Racing

2.1 The races shall be rowed in accordance with the Rules of Racing of the HKCRA.

(Please refer to http://www.rowing.org.hk/web/en/HKCRA_RULE_NEW.pdf)

3. Eligibility

3.1 Each participant may enter a maximum of **1 event from Group A and 1 event from Group B**.

3.2 **It is NOT accepted the entries of 2 events from the same Group.** e.g. Double entries in M8+ and M2x will not be accepted.

3.3 Competitors must be registered with HKCRA as a Registered Rowers to be eligible to compete in HKCRA regattas. (Note: "Rowing Centre Users" are automatically registered.) Each competitor (including coxswains) must carry their valid HKCRA card and be able to present it for inspection on the day of the regatta. **Application and collection for the HKCRA Rowing Centre User or Registered Rower card will not be entertained on the day of the regatta.** Competitors who are Rowing Centre Users / Registered Rowers but are not able to present a valid HKCRA Centre User Card will be charged HK\$20 for administration fee. **Non-Registered Rowers will not be entertained and no exceptions will be made under any circumstances.**

- 3.4 Please submit valid Centre User's names (Center Users or Registered Rower) on the **Regatta Central** which Centre Users status **MUST valid on the racing day**, otherwise the HKCRA will charge **HKD100 administrative fee per head**.
- 3.5 All invalid Centre User's must renew the Centre Users' status **by Friday, 15th July 2016** (12:00 noon, Hong Kong Time), otherwise, he/ she will not able to submit online application nor to race.
- 3.6 Every crew must enter and compete under the name of a Club registered with the HKCRA. No rower may compete for two different Clubs at the same Regatta.
- 3.7 Each competitor shall be responsible for his/ her own health and fitness and able to swim 50 meters in light clothing.
- 3.8 Participants (except coxswains) must compete in events of their own sex origin.
- 3.9 The minimum weight for a coxswain (wearing racing uniform) is 50 kg for Men's events and 40 kg for Women's events. (To make up this weight, a coxswain may carry additional deadweight as close as practicable to his/ her person in the boat. No article of racing equipment shall be considered as part of this deadweight.)
- 3.10 A Novice rower is one who has not yet won any Status Event. A rower shall no longer be a Novice after the expiry of 12 calendar months from the date of his/ her first competition.

4. Entry Procedures

- 4.1 Clubs wishing to take part in this regatta should complete the registry through Regatta Central (<https://www.regattacentral.com/>) on **or before 18th July 2016 (12:00 noon)**.
- 4.2 **NO late entry will be accepted as the Online System will reject any late entry automatically.**
- 4.3 **The HKCRA will NOT accept any hard copy or e-mail application.**

5. Withdrawals (Refer to rule-45)

- 5.1 If a crew withdraws from an Event for which it has been entered, it shall give notice on the designated form to the HKCRA as early as possible; at the latest, it shall give notice of withdrawal no later than one hour before the first heat of the Event concerned. For any withdrawals received after this time, including any withdrawals after the heats, except when accompanied by a medical certificate, the club/ crew shall pay a penalty equal to the entry fee.

In the case of a withdrawal the HKCRA may conduct a new draw if required. A withdrawal once made is irrevocable. There shall be no refund of entry fee.

6. Boats and Oars

- 6.1 All competitors must use their private boats and oars for competition. HKCRA boats will only be allocated to Clubs who do not have boats or do not have sufficient boats to compete in an event.

7. Medals

- 7.1 Medals will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed crews in each event.
- 7.2 Letters of congratulation will also be sent to their schools, informing them of their respective students' success.
- 7.3 A trophy of "Champion Club" will be awarded to the Club at the end of the year, which gains the highest points of summation from all open events in the Shing Mun Rivers through the year as well as Hong Kong Rowing Championships.

Details of the point scoring system are set out as follows:-

Division	Place					
	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th
OPEN	14	10	8	6	4	2

- 7.4 Medals will be presented after each Final immediately.

8. Entry Fees

- 8.1 Entry fee: All events, **HKD70/ entry, except HKD60/ entry for Novice events.**

8.2 Entry Fee should be **paid to Regatta Central through Paypal** which is an online payment platform (<https://www.paypal.com/hk>).

8.3 Arrangements for Entry Fee upon Postponement/ Cancellation:

- a) **If the event is rescheduled to be held within one month** – the Association will not refund any entry fees but will apply those entry fees to the rescheduled event. Entry fees will not be refunded even where some entered crews do not compete at the rescheduled event.
- b) **The event cannot be rescheduled and is therefore cancelled** – In view of the need of the Association to bear the set-up costs, only 50% of the paid entry fee will be refunded. The Association will ask Clubs by-email to confirm whether the balance of the entry fee should be refunded or if it should be retained by the Association and credited against future entry fees. If a Club does not give any instruction within 1 month, the balance of entry fee will be held by the Association against future entry fees and the Club will be advised accordingly.

9. Enquiries and Correspondence

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