Cambridge Autumn Regatta

Cambridge '99 Rowing Club, The Boat House, Kimberley Road, Cambridge, CB4 1HJ
Website: https://www.cambridge99.org/events/autumn
Facebook:https://www.facebook.com/Cambridge99RC

Welfare Statement and Policy Including Photography

The organisers of the Cambridge Autumn Regatta, Cambridge '99 Rowing Club, believe that the welfare and wellbeing of all children is paramount.All competitors, regardless of age, gender, ethnicity, religion or ability, have equal rights to safety and protection. All suspicions, concerns or allegations of harm will be taken seriously and responded to swiftly and appropriately.

A welfare officer for the competition will be appointed annually and will act as the point of contact for any concerns or allegations. The Welfare Officer for the 2026 Regatta is Alex Penkul. They can be contacted on the day by radio via any Race Official stationed at race control, around the course, or in boating areas. They can also be contacted via Mobile on 07919 211339. They will determine appropriate action to be taken. Should any incident warrant such action, Alex Penkul will be responsible for reporting to the police and the British Rowing Child Protection Officer.

The crew contact details entered on the British Rowing Entry will be used to contact the adult responsible for any junior reportedly involved in an incident. It is therefore incumbent upon the entry secretary entering the crew to ensure that a usable contact number is included each entry. These can be updated on the day. No individual contact details for juniors are held by the committee.

Adults with responsibility for children entered in an event are expected to ensure that boating conditions are suitable. Adults (both coaches and parents) are also reminded that suitable clothing is required for the event, given that there is the possibility of a wait before the start. Crew coaches are further reminded that in rough conditions, it is them who must make the assessment of whether their crew can safely boat and race in the conditions - particularly when a crew has a junior cox. British Rowing Row Safe Section 4 provides helpful guidance.

Competitors are responsible for proceeding safely at all times prior to coming under marshalling control.

Competitors and their supporters are reminded to be courteous to other river users including walkers and cyclists, river-boat users and anglers.

All club members attending (coaches, boatmen, captains, coxswains and crews) should ensure that crews abide by the British Rowing Row Safe guidelines, have read the safety plan, and have been instructed in a capsize drill. All crews must have adequate third-party insurance.

In the event that a participant goes missing for a period exceeding 20 minutes, the Welfare Officer should be contacted. They will activate the Regatta's Search plan and will contact the police if this has not already been done.

Competitors must report any incident to the first-aid tent found in the corner of the Marquee.

Photography and Video Recording

All competitors should be aware of the PHOTOGRAPHY GUIDANCE. The Regatta cannot prevent the public taking photographs, as the banks and area surrounding the course are open to the public. The River Cam towpath is a public right of way and there will be bystanders and passers-by. As such, it is not practicable for Cambridge '99 Rowing Club as the organisers of the Cambridge Autumn Regatta to control all photography that happens along the length of the course.

If you wish to take photographs during the regatta, please be aware of the rights to privacy of all participants, and particularly those of junior competitors.

If you wish to take photographs for publication or for any commercial purpose you must seek written consent from the Regatta Committee. Part of that approval process will require you to seek consent for the use of any images from which any athlete can be identified. **Should you wish to NOT have official pictures taken** or posted or video recorded, please contact race control (with crew ID) who will relay that to any photographer who applies as above.

If you are concerned that any of these guidelines have been broken, then please contact the Regatta Welfare Officer or any member of the Regatta Committee.

- **The Regatta Welfare Officer is:**

  Alex Penkuk

  Contact via any marshal / umpire with a radio who will call on your behalf.

  Alternative call on **07919 211339**

- **The Chair of the Regatta Committee is:**

  Keith Garrett

  Contact via any marshal / umpire with a radio who will call on your behalf.
  Alternatively call **07976 696407**