



***** UPDATED PROSPECTUS AS THE REGATTA IS NOW AN 'INVITATIONAL, AT HOME' REGATTA *****

Dear Captain/Secretary,

St. Michael's Rowing Club would like to invite your Masters' crews to take part in our 4th Masters Regatta, on **Saturday September 4th from 14:00 – 19:00** at our clubhouse in Limerick city centre.

While we are all delighted to be back on the water, we are still operating under Covid restrictions & government guidelines. A Safety Plan, including Covid measures, will be published in advance of the Regatta. Several changes are necessary to enable us to run a compliant & safe regatta. Your full support is appreciated & expected in equal measure.

Regatta Details:

- The Regatta is an invitational 'at home' regatta & is **not run under Rowing Ireland**.
- Please note that crews taking part in the event **are not covered by RI Insurances**.
- Entries must be made via email to brianrichardson77@gmail.com by 7pm on Friday, August 27th. Info needed to enter the crew:
 - **Event Name – please use the event codes listed in the draft timetable.**
 - **Full Crew List – first & last names**
 - **Masters Category – average age of the crew determines the category**
- The draw will be published on Monday, August 30th via an excel doc.
- **Regatta Course:**
 - Up to 6 Crews per race, 1km from the pier towards the city & finish line 100m before Shannon Bridge. Racing will be on an incoming tide on the Shannon.
 - The course will have start, 500m & finish markers but will not be buoyed.
 - All races will start from flying starts with time handicaps being applied with exception being the Open category races.
- Please review the Race Schedule in the event page. We are working on a tidal river, so we have done our best to create a balanced schedule. Please only enter races where you will have enough time to compete in.
- Multiple races will occur to allow the same category to group crews together for the best racing. Example - 1x events will be run as 1x Cat A, 1x Cat B, 1x Cat C etc. or can be groups into 1x Cat A + B, 1x Cat C + D etc. but all dependant on the number of entries.
- Race categories: Eights, Fours, Quads, Doubles, Pairs & Sculls using master category handicapping. Additional Open Eights race with no handicapping.
- Entry Cost is set at 8+ is €80, 4x+/4- are €40, 2x-/2- are €20 & 1x- is €10.
- Some local clubs can make their boats available on the day for a fee. Please contact local club captains directly for the use of their boats.
- Weather: A decision to either cancel or race on Sunday, Sept 5th will be made by **Thursday, September 2nd at 18:00.**

We will provide additional information on catering, covid procedures, parking & club facilities etc. prior to the event via email & social media including the Master's Facebook Group.

All queries can be sent to brianrichardson77@gmail.com or call 086 2554304 **after 6pm**.

We look forward to welcoming you all to our 4th Masters Regatta & city centre racing returning to Limerick once again.

Yours in Rowing,
Brian Richardson
St Michael's R.C.