

## Isis Sculls – Saturday 26th September 2009 - Notes for Marshals

*The primary duty of race officials is to care for the safety of competitors, other officials, other water users and the public at large. Consideration of safety should override all other concerns.*

The circulation pattern and arrangements for marshalling are outlined on the Course Map. It is not permissible to close the river, but it is reasonable to politely *ask* craft navigating the Isis to wait in a safe place while racing is in progress. Salter Bros' scheduled service **will** operate. The EA Inspector (**1 radio**) will supervise the conduct and safety of the event from the EA launch. S/he will be in radio contact with Umpires and Marshals, and will listen in on radio communications. This duty will be handed over to the duty Lock Keeper at Iffley Lock (**1 radio**) should the launch be needed elsewhere. The Lock Keeper will hold craft navigating the Isis at the Lock from 10-minutes before each race.

**Marshal 1: Just above Desborough Bridge (radio, loudhailer, throw line).** Marshal crews coming downstream in start order instructing to turn around the buoy keeping to the start order. Move crews up to Start. Ask craft navigating upstream to wait clear below the Isis Tavern from 10 minutes before the scheduled start. (N.B. There shouldn't be any as the Lock Keeper should keep them back, but you never know!) Release waiting craft once racing crews have safely passed through the Gut.

**Starter: Umpire at Start (radio, loudhailer, throw line).** Help marshal crews into assembly area around buoy and onto start. Check with Umpire at Finish, Marshal at OUBC, Umpire in Gut and Marshal at Haystacks Corner that the course is clear before setting off the first crew. Give the division a 2 minutes warning before the race is due to start. Monitor scullers off the start and warn as necessary.

**Marshal 2: Towpath, outside Oxford Academicals BC (radio, loudhailer, throw line)** Marshal crews into start order with Marshal 3 along towpath side. Push crews down towards the next marshal keeping in start order.

**Marshal 3: Towpath, on corner above Haystacks Corner (radio, loudhailer).** Marshal crews in start order along towpath side. Push crews down towards the next marshal keeping in start order. Observe racing crews.

**Umpire at CORC (radio loudhailer ,throw line)** Act as Control Commission while scullers are boating. Then move upstream of Donnington Bridge on the CORC side when the division commences to monitor racing from upstream of the start to the gut. Warn scullers as necessary

**Marshal 4: Towpath starting at under Donnington Bridge (radio, loudhailer).** Follow last competitor down to the start passing the scullers down beyond the start. Crews may warm up upstream of the Gut using the normal navigation pattern. During racing warn crews if necessary of buoys ahead. After racing halt crews approaching downstream to disembark at Donnington Bridge; instruct them to turn upstream on to the landing stages when safe to do so.

**Gut Stone Umpire (radio, loudhailer, throw line).** Assist with Control Commission at CORC before the start of the division. Monitor crews from upstream of Donnington Bridge to the Green Bank. Warn scullers as necessary.

**Marshal 5: Longbridges (radio, loudhailer).** Check course is clear. Observe crews whilst racing warning if necessary. Marshal craft approaching Gut just before or during a race into the bay just below the landing stages. (N.B. There shouldn't be any, but you never know!) If necessary, immediately notify the Start Umpire to delay the start, or Umpire at CORC to stop the race

**Umpire at Christ Church Landing Stage (opposite OUBC) (radio, loudhailer throw line).** Check course is clear. Marshal Cherwell River and monitor racing from the Green Bank upstream of Hertford Boat House to just downstream of the finish. Warn scullers as necessary

**Marshal 6: Opposite River Cherwell Cut (radio, loudhailer).** Check Course is clear. Marshal River Cherwell cut (upstream of OURC's)

**Finish Umpire (radio, loudhailer, hooter).** Judge the finish. Warn scullers as necessary.

**Marshal 7: Folly Bridge (radio, loudhailer, throw line).** Ask craft navigating downstream to wait above the finish from 10 minutes before the scheduled start of the race until the last racing boat has crossed the line. Ensure crews stop above the Finish with bows pointing upstream until the last crew racing has crossed the line. Release craft waiting to proceed downstream, followed by crews, in an orderly fashion. Direct punts to the Cherwell. Liase with Salters' passenger boats.

**Raft Marshals (2 at CORC ): (loudhailers)** Ensure safe embarking and disembarking of crews. Crews may warm up upstream of the Gut using the normal navigation pattern.

**Safety Boat 1: 'Pyrate' (radio, loudhailer, first aid kit, throw line)** Moor immediately downstream of Christ Church landing stage, next to Umpire. Await instructions.

**Safety Boat 2: CORC Coaching launch (radio, first aid kit, throw line)** Stay below start, helping with marshalling crews. Await instructions.

**First Aid Post: City Boathouse (radio, first aid kit).** Await instructions.

**Timers: (3 radios)**

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*Thames Valley Police and the Community Officer have been informed that this event is taking place.*