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**To: All Club Secretaries and Captains**

**Re: Irish Rowing Championships in association with Failte Ireland 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> July 2010 - Prospectus**

You are invited to participate in the 2010 July Championship Regatta (8's & 4's) which has been sponsored by Failte Ireland. The regatta will be held at the National Rowing Centre in Farran Wood and in accordance with the rules of Rowing Ireland it is a Full Status Regatta for all Championship events and for some non-championship events that may count for grade purposes (e.g. Novice).

**Entry:** Entries will only be accepted through the Rowing Ireland Electronic entry system (Tracker). This year the system will contain some enhancements which we hope will assist in the administration of your entry. After the entry deadline has passed, authorised users will be able to

- Read / Print details of your entry.
- Enter crew substitutions (in accordance with the rules).
- Declare crews in advance of the event (see declarations below)
- Separate list for both Declared and Undeclared crews

Please contact the office if you need assistance in using the system.

**Close of Entries:** Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July at 19:00hrs

**Entry Fees:**

Entry fees for the 2010 Championships have been set at €15 per seat for all Championship events (note that Junior Championships will now be awarded a full size tankard), while non Championship events are €10 per seat (incl cox). Payment of entry fees may be made by Cheque (post or hand delivered) or by phone using a valid Credit Card (Master Card / Visa Card), however, please note that your complete entry fee must reach the office of Rowing Ireland, to arrive not later than 19:00hrs on Wednesday 7th July 2010.

**Entry List/Draw:** The draw will take place in the office of Rowing Ireland. Once the tracker system has closed, all entries received will be collated and crews will be drawn for each event. For the regatta proper, all Championship and Junior 16 events will be limited to a maximum of 24 crews. Events that attract a greater number of entrants will be subject to a qualification time trial, with the top 24 crews making it through to the Quarter Finals for that event. Notification of events involving more than 24 crews will be advised within 48 hours of close of entries.

All such time trials will be run on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July. To assist clubs in finalising their travel plans it is intended to publish the full draw, (listing all crews, complete with draw number for each event), on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July.

**Declarations:** Event declarations must be confirmed (by signature) at or before the appropriate Captain's meetings. However, Club representatives are encouraged to make on line declarations in advance of the regatta with the view of reducing the duration of Captain's meetings. During the regatta, declarations will also be accepted at the regatta office which will be entered into tracker on behalf of your club. Once the Captain's meeting has been convened, the status of declarations for all clubs recorded in tracker at that time will be used to complete the draw for each event on the following day. Up to this point, clubs who are in attendance or represented at the meeting can still amend their declaration for the events entered.

For events subject to time trial, On-Line Declarations will close on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July at 2.00pm (crews declaring on line for time trial who do not compete will subject to fine under the rules). At this time all Clubs entered in these events will be contacted to ensure their declaration has been captured. Should the number of declared entries for an event reduce below 24 then a time trial will not be necessary for that event.

Races will be run under Rowing Ireland rules and entries will only be accepted from Clubs Affiliated to Rowing Ireland 4 months before the close of entries.

The Junior 14 &15 events will consist of straight finals. The number of straight finals for these events will be determined by the number of entries in each event. The Junior 16 events will consist of heats and finals. Events that consist of more than six entries will have medals awarded to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

### Summary of Key Dates

Close of registrations	Wed 9 <sup>th</sup> June (July Champs only)
Close of entries	Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> July (19.00 Hrs)
List of entries published	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> July
Close of declarations for Time trial events	Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> July (14.00 Hrs)
Events confirmed for time trials	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> July
Time trial events	Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> July (12.00 Hrs)
Day 1 event declarations	Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> July (time tba)
Day 1 event racing	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> July
Day 2 event declarations	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> July (time tba)
Day 2 event racing	Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> July

## Sequence of Championship Finals

### Friday Morning

Mens Intermediate 8  
Womens Intermediate 8  
Womens Junior 4-

### Friday Afternoon

Mens Senior 4-  
Womens Senior 4-  
Mens Novice 8  
Womens Novice 8  
Mens Junior 4+

### Saturday Morning

Mens Intermediate 4+  
Mens Junior 8  
Womens Intermediate 4+  
Womens Junior 8+

### Saturday Afternoon

Mens Novice 4+  
Womens Novice 4+  
Mens Senior 8  
Womens Senior 8

## Non Championship events

It is intended to run the non Championship events in the slots indicated below. However, depending upon the number of entries, some of these events may have to be run throughout that day. There must be three (3) or more entries in an event before it can be included in the draw. Crews entered in more than one age category, may experience a clash of events.

### Friday (morning)

Womens Junior 15 4X+  
Mens Junior 15 1X  
Mens Junior 16 4X+  
Womens Novice 4X+  
Womens Masters 1X

### Saturday (morning)

Womens Junior 14 1X  
Mens Junior 14 4X+  
Mens Junior 16 1X  
Womens Junior 16 8  
Mens Novice 4X+  
Mens Masters 8+

### Friday (afternoon)

Womens Junior 15 1X  
Mens Junior 15 4X+  
Womens Junior 16 1X  
Womens Masters 4+  
Mens Masters 1x

### Saturday (afternoon)

Womens Junior 14 4X+  
Mens Junior 14 1X  
Womens Junior 16 4X+  
Mens Junior 16 8+  
Mens Masters 4+

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