

Saturday 14 September 2024 – Bradford Sprint Regatta

Welfare Statement

'BRADFORD AMATEUR ROWING CLUB as organisers of the Bradford Spring Regatta are committed to the welfare and well-being of all children and young people under 18 as well as vulnerable adults at the event. All persons, regardless of age, gender, sexual orientation, ethnicity, religion or ability have equal rights to safety and protection. All allegations, suggestions of harm and suspicions will be taken seriously and responded to swiftly and appropriately.

A welfare officer will be available at all times during the event to respond to any suspicions/allegations and will be contactable via race officials. The welfare officer will be wearing high viz tabard. The event welfare officer will decide a response at the time and whether to contact the British Rowing safeguarding officer nationally or the police, where appropriate. The club welfare officer is Clare Connolly available at clareconnolly4@gmail.com.

The crew contact details entered on the BRITISH ROWING entry will be used to contact the adult responsible for any young person or vulnerable adult where an incident is reported. (No individual junior contact numbers will be held by the race committee). It is therefore crucial that there is a an up-to-date number for the responsible adult enclosed with the British Rowing entry.

Adults with responsibility for children entered in the event are expected to ensure that boating conditions are suitable for the skills and experience levels of those young people. Adults – coaches and parents – are also reminded of the need for suitable clothing for the event, sun protection included. Crew coaches are further reminded that in rough conditions it is they who must make decisions as to whether their crews can boat or race, particularly where there is a junior cox.

In the event that a participant goes missing for a period exceeding 20 minutes, the Welfare Officer should be contacted and they will contact the police if this has not already been done.

All competitors in the event may be photographed by amateurs, or professionals who sell their photographs, and these photographs may be used for identification or publicity purposes. The Regatta cannot prevent this, as the banks and area surrounding the course are open to the public.

Clare Connolly/ Helen Liddell Club Welfare Officers

All event details can be found on events page of www.bradfordrowing.co.uk.