

# 38<sup>th</sup> Hong Kong Rowing Championships

## 第38屆香港賽艇錦標賽

### Race Bulletin for Overseas Teams

#### 1. Invitation

The Hong Kong, China Rowing Association (HKCRA) is pleased to invite crews to compete at the 38<sup>th</sup> Hong Kong Rowing Championships.

Organized by	: Hong Kong, China Rowing Association (HKCRA)
Subvented by	: Arts and Sport Development Fund (Home Affairs Bureau)
Supported by	: Leisure & Culture Services Department (LCSD)
Competition Dates	: 29 October 2016 (Saturday) & 30 October 2016 (Sunday)
Venue	: Sha Tin Rowing Centre & Jockey Club Shek Mun Rowing Centre
<b>Entry by <u>Number</u></b>	
<b>Deadline</b>	: <b>26 August 2016 (Friday) 12:00 midnight (HK Time)</b>
<b>Entry By <u>Name</u></b>	
<b>Deadline</b>	: <b>21 September 2016 (Wednesday) 12:00 midnight (HK Time)</b>
<b>LIMITED ENTRY</b>	: Due to limited number of boats available, there is a limited quota in each event. The HKCRA will arrange the boats after received all the Entry by Number Forms. The final entries of each team will be confirmed by 14 September 2016 (Wednesday).

*\*\* Please note that crews should ensure they are available to row on both days – the final race schedule will subject to the total number of entries received in each event.*

#### 2. Venue Introduction

The Championships will be held over six lanes on the Shing Mun Regatta Course at Sha Tin, New Territories which was the venue for the 14<sup>th</sup> Asian Junior Rowing Championships, East Asian Games (Rowing Event) and the Asian Rowing Cup II in 2008, 2009 and 2013 respectively. It is a tidal river and the course has been used for the Championships since 1982. Access to Sha Tin from the main urban/ central areas is very convenient by road or electric suburban train to:-

- Fo Tan MTR Station, from where it is a five minutes walk to the Sha Tin Rowing Centre, or
- Sha Tin MTR Station, taking KMB (Bus) Route No. 284 to Ravana Garden, from where it is a ten minutes walk to the Jockey Club Shek Mun Rowing Centre.



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### 3. Race Distance

All events distance will be 2000 meters start from a fixed starting pontoon, except Masters, Corporate Cup, Disciplinary Forces Cup and Para-Rowing events which will be 1000 meters for race distance with floating start.

### 4. Events

The Championships will consist of the following events:-

#### Men's Open Events

Single Sculls	(M1x)	Single Sculls	(W1x)
Double Sculls	(M2x)	Double Sculls	(W2x)
Fours	(M4-)	Fours	(W4-)
Quadruple Sculls	(M4x)	Quadruple Sculls	(W4x)
Eights	(M8+)	Eights	(W8+)

#### Women's Open Events

#### Para-Rowing Events

LTA Men Single Sculls	(LTA-M1x)
LTA Women Single Sculls	(LTA-W1x)
AS Men Single Sculls	(AS-M1x)
AS Women Single Sculls	(AS-W1x)
ID Mixed Coxed Fours	(LTA-IDMix4+)

#### Masters Events

	1x	2x		4-	4x		8+	
	Men's	Men's	Women's	Men's	Men's	Women's	Men's	Women's
Master A	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Master B	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Master C	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Master D	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Master E	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Master F	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√

#### University Challenges - NEW event

Men's	Women's
(UC M8+)	(UC W8+)

#### Notes:

4.1 Club representatives are advised to make their entries with reference to the "**Preliminary Race Schedule**" (**Annex 1**), especially for participants intending to enter for two events. Race Schedule may be changed subject to the total number of entries received in each event.

4.2 The Masters events are held according to the FISA Masters Categories as follows:-

Category A	Minimum age: 27 years
Category B	Average age: 36 years or more
Category C	Average age: 43 years or more
Category D	Average age: 50 years or more
Category E	Average age: 55 years or more
Category F	Average age: 60 years or more

Age categories do not apply to coxswains. Each competitor shall be responsible for his/her own health and fitness. Every Masters rower must be in a position to prove his/her age by presentation of an official document (passport or any identity card).

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- 4.3 Crews of different Masters age categories and gender may be rowed in the same heat if there are less than six entries in any category. Medals will be awarded based on the respective categories.
- 4.4 Coxswains must be weighed with racing uniform on tested scales not less than one hour and not more than two hours before their first race in each Event in which they are competing on each day of competition.
- 4.5 “**University Challenges**” welcome the participation of current or alumni rowers from the **SAME** Local/Overseas University to take part.
- 4.6 Overseas Teams shall be held responsible for paying the charges incurred from repairing any broken boats, parts and oars.
- 4.7 All participants must arrange their own life accident insurance.

### 5. Rules of Racing

The races shall be rowed in accordance with the Rules of Racing of the HKCRA.  
(Please refer to [http://www.rowing.org.hk/web/en/HKCRA\\_RULE\\_NEW.pdf](http://www.rowing.org.hk/web/en/HKCRA_RULE_NEW.pdf))

### 6. Prizes

- 6.1 Medals will be presented for the Champion, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> runner-up of crew(s) in each event.
- 6.2 Champion teams in “University Challenges” events will receive a Trophy while Medals will be awarded to the Champion, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> runner-up of crew(s) in each event.

### 7. Souvenir

Each participating rower will receive a souvenir provided by the Organizing Committee (OC).

### 8. Entry Fees

Entry Fee includes the fees for Celebration Drink Party & HKCRA Rower Registration.

<b>Eights (8+)</b>	HKD2,500.00 /crew/ event
<b>Fours (4x/4-/4+)</b>	HKD1,250.00 /crew/ event
<b>Double (2x)</b>	HKD630.00 /crew/ event
<b>Single (1x)</b>	HKD320.00 /crew/ event

### 9. Entry Procedures

- 9.1 **“Preliminary Entry Form – Entry By Number” (Annex 2):** with the likely number of competitors and probable events to be entered is requested to submit.

**Deadline of Submission: 26 August 2016**

- 9.2 **“Final Entry Form – Entry by Name” and other necessary Information (Annex 3-6):** with Photo of Team & each Rower should reach the OC. Entries can be sent by e-mail to [hkrc\\_o@rowing.org.hk](mailto:hkrc_o@rowing.org.hk).

**Deadline of Submission: 21 September 2016**

- 9.3 ***Double Entry Fee will be charged after the deadline of the final entry. Late entries will only be accepted if there are available spaces and will NOT be accepted after the publication of the draw. Late entries, where accepted, will be required to pay double the normal entry fee. The HKCRA reserves the right to reject any entry.***

### 10. The Draw

The draw will be conducted on **6 October 2016** at HK Time 7:30 p.m. at the Sha Tin Rowing Centre.

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### 11. Arrangement for Entry Fee in the case of Event Cancellation

In view of the need of the HKCRA to bear the logistics and set-up costs, in the event that the Championships have to be cancelled, only 50% of the paid entry fee will be refunded.

### 12. Boats and Oars (NOTE: All rental boats are designed for use by lightweight crews)

The HKCRA will provide boats for rental in each event. The boat rental charges are as follows:-

<b>Eights (8+)</b>	<b>HKD1,250.00 /day/boat</b>
<b>Fours (4x/4-/4+)</b>	<b>HKD730.00 /day/boat</b>
<b>Double (2x)</b>	<b>HKD520.00 /day/boat</b>
<b>Single (1x)</b>	<b>HKD320.00 /day/boat</b>

Please kindly note that for providing a better regatta experience, HKCRA is discussing with boat builder about boat rent solution (A Grade Boats and Oars), interested teams please indicate your intention by completing **“Boat and Oars Rental Form” (Annex 7).**

**Boat checking or rigging will not be charged on or before 26 October 2016. Daily rental fee per boat will be charged from 27 October 2016 onwards.**

Oars and sculls can be provided on “FIRST-COME-FIRST-SERVED basis”, we highly recommended that each team should bring their own oars for participation. Please indicate the request via **“Boat and Oars Rental Form” (Annex 7).**

**Deadline of Submission: 21 September 2016**

### 13. Hire of Bike

Coaching Bike is available for your coaching activities. **HKD150.00 per day** is charged for each bike from 28 October 2016 to 30 October 2016. A deposit of **HKD50.00 per bike** is needed. Please fill in the **“Coaching Bike Hiring Form” (Annex 8)** for the service.

**Deadline of Submission: 21 September 2016**

### 14. Welcoming Dinner

A Welcoming Dinner (Stand-up buffet) will be organized for local and overseas competitors on Friday 28 October 2016, starting from 7:00pm (to be confirmed).

A souvenir will be presented to each participating team during the Welcoming Dinner and it will be a great experience and cultural exchange between local and overseas teams.

All coaches, team managers and competitors are cordially invited to attend (Dress code: casual), and it will be charged HKD40.00 per head. Interested crews please indicate your availability by completing **“Reply Slip of Welcoming Dinner” (Annex 9).** Reservations will be made on “FIRST-COME-FIRST-SERVED basis”.

### 15. Celebration Drink Party

A Celebration Drink Party will be held on 30 October 2016 (Sunday) around 3:25pm (to be confirmed). Details will be announced later. Interested crews please indicate your availability at **“Reply Slip of Celebration Drink Party (Annex 9)”**.

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### 16. Photo for Accreditation Card & Souvenir Programme

All competitors in the Championships will receive an accreditation card for identification. While a Souvenir Programme will also be published and distributed during the Championships with the team photo of each participating team.

To facilitate the production, please provide individual recent photo (passport size) of each rower and a team photo by e-mail to [hkrc\\_o@rowing.org.hk](mailto:hkrc_o@rowing.org.hk).

**Deadline of Submission: 21 September 2016**

### 17. Accommodation, Lunch Box & Transportation Services

#### 17.1 Accommodation

The OC suggests “Regal Riverside Hotel” for the Championships. (Address: 34-36 Tai Chung Kiu Road, Sha Tin, Hong Kong). It is nearby the Shing Mun River and close to the competition venues in walk able distance.

The Hotel is also a few minutes by walk to the Sha Tin Wai MTR station. It is easily accessible from Hong Kong’s major shopping, tourist and business districts by various types of public transportation and free shuttle bus services provided by the Hotel. Booking of shuttle bus would be made through the Hotel. For room reservations and any enquiries, you can visit the hotel website <http://www.regalhotel.com/regal-riverside-hotel/>.

You can take bus no. A41 or shuttle bus of Regal Riverside Hotel in the B14 counter at the Hong Kong International Airport to that Hotel.

If you intend to bring your own oars or sculls, you can book the bus through the following service providers:-

- (I) Sang Kee Tourist Bus Limited  
Telephone: (852) 2741-6868 (852) 2742-9559  
E-mail: [info@skbus.com](mailto:info@skbus.com)
- (II) Kwoon Chung Bus Holdings Limited  
Telephone: (852) 2578-1178  
E-mail: [info@kcbh.com.hk](mailto:info@kcbh.com.hk)
- (III) Sun Fai Transportation Co.  
Telephone: (852) 2568-9554  
E-mail: [sunfaitrans@yahoo.com.hk](mailto:sunfaitrans@yahoo.com.hk)

#### 17.2 Order of Lunch Box at Competition Venue

The OC can assist the team to order lunch box with drink at competition venue at **HKD60.00 each**. For ordering, please fill in the **“Lunch Box Order Form” (Annex 10)** for the service.

**Deadline of Submission: 21 September 2016**

#### 17.3 Transportation Services at Competition Venues

Shuttle bus services (fixed schedule) will be provided between the Sha Tin Rowing Centre and the Jockey Club Shek Mun Rowing Centre from 29 to 30 October 2016.

### 18. Weather

Hong Kong’s climate is sub-tropical. During the time of the Championships, the weather is expected to be dry and temperature generally in the range of 22°C to 28°C.

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### 19. Payment

All payment should be made before use of any of the equipment. Please complete **“Payment Summary” (Annex 11)**.

- 19.1 Account Name & No. : Hong Kong, China Rowing Association (004-002-6-187443)  
 19.2 Bank Name : The Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation Ltd.  
 19.3 Bank SWIFT code HSBCHKHKKH  
 19.4 To be paid net without any deduction of bank charge.  
 19.5 Remitter pays bank charges (Actual bank charge to be paid by remitter)

**Deadline of Submission: 28 September 2016**

### 20. Your Action Deadlines

<b><u>Deadline</u></b>	<b><u>Actions</u></b>	<b><u>Annex</u></b>
N/A	Preliminary Race Schedule	1
26 August 2016	: Preliminary Entry Form – Entry By Number	2
<b>21 September 2016</b>	: (i) Final Entry Forms – Entry By Name (with passport copy of each rower in <u>Masters Event</u> )	3 - 6
<b>(on or before 12:00 midnight, HK Time)</b>	(ii) Boat and Oars Rental Form	7
	(iii) Coaching Bike Hiring Form	8
	(iv) Reply Slip of Welcoming Dinner	9
	(v) Reply Slip of Celebration Drink Party	9
	(vi) Lunch Box Order Form	10
	(vii) Submission of photos of individual rower and team photo	/
	<b>28 September 2016</b>	(viii) Payment Summary

### 21. Enquiries and Correspondence

- All correspondence to : **Mr. CHIU Sin Fu, Thomas /Ms. CHAN Chi Lam, Chilam**  
**Overseas Team Coordinator, Organizing Committee of the**  
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 Fax : (852) 2601-4477  
 E-mail : [hkrc\\_o@rowing.org.hk](mailto:hkrc_o@rowing.org.hk)

All the visitors and supporters are very welcome to take part in the Championships! If you notice that any crews interested in competing but do not receive this Bulletin, please furnish them with this or ask them to contact the OC directly.

***Look forward to seeing you and your team in Hong Kong!***

Organizing Committee  
 38<sup>th</sup> Hong Kong Rowing Championships  
 25 July 2016