

Arrangements for practice 2016

Practice will be held from two sites in Wargrave and Shiplake again this year, from Monday 18^h July to Wednesday 3rd August inclusive.

The following conditions will apply:

- Only those persons/crews from whom an Entry Form has been received – completed, signed and agreeing to abide by the rules and Conditions of Entry to Wargrave & Shiplake Regatta (W&SR) – will be allowed to use Regatta boats to practice.
- For safety reasons, practising crews **MUST** remain on the Regatta reach – in sight of both Wargrave Boat Club and the General Start on the Shiplake bank – at all times. Failure to do so may disqualify competitors from further practice sessions, and ultimately from racing at the regatta. **For the avoidance of doubt boats must neither go upstream of the mouth of the Loddon nor downstream of the Ferry Steps.**
- This year W&SR will operate a strict policy observing the River Rules, where boats will be required to practice on the right going down stream (Berkshire Bank) and back upstream on the right (Oxfordshire Bank). We ask all competitors to please abide by this rule of the river for safety reasons.
- A nominal charge per boat half hour will be made. All boats must be cleaned and bailed, and any damage must be reported and may be charged for. Practice Supervisors will report any misuse of the practice boats and facilities, which could lead to refusal of entry to all Regatta events.

As an important safety precaution Wargrave and Shiplake Regatta operate under the same Rules and Safety Regulations as Wargrave Boat Club during Practice and Training Days, these can be read in the Blue Practice Books kept by the Practice Supervisor on Duty, the main points are summarised below:

- **All juniors** – Those under 17 on Saturday 6^h August – **must be accompanied by an adult at all times during practice.** This applies to Visitors, Supporters as well as those Practicing.
- **No adult, no practice!**
- **Juniors under 12** (on Saturday 6th August) **must wear a buoyancy aid during practice,** regardless of what event they are practising for.
- **No Buoyancy Aid, no practice!**
- **All Competitors practicing in a Canoe** will be required to wear a **Buoyancy Aid.** Competitors are requested to provide their own, however a small number will be available at each site.
- As a courtesy to other users, anyone who fails to turn up for a booking on time (or at all) will be required to meet the charges for that booking before they are allowed to race at the Regatta.
- All bookings starting after 6pm will be charged at full rate, regardless of users except for the under 12 Dongola with an adult Steerer.

WARGRAVE
& SHIPLAKE
REGATTA

Wargrave Practice

07795 442460

WARGRAVE BOAT CLUB
Station Road
Wargrave
Berkshire

Available boats

2 Skiffs
2 2ft. Punts
1 Dinghy
2 Dongolas
2 Canoes

Please park in Station Road ONLY

- Bookings: 07795 442460
- Bookings open: 16.00 Thursday 14th July.
- Bookings taken 16.00 – 20.00 from Thursday 14th until Saturday 23rd July and then 14.00 – 20.00 from Sunday 24th July until Wednesday 5th August.
- Practice Hours: 16.00 – 20.00 from Monday 18th until Saturday 23rd July, then 14.00 – 21.00 from Sunday 24th until Saturday 30th July and then 14.00 – 21.00 from Sunday 31st July until Wednesday 3rd August.
- **To smooth boat changeovers and avoid congestion, the Canoes, Punts and Dinghy will go out on quarter / three-quarter hours. Dongolas and Skiffs will go out on half-hours / hours.**

Visitors and those practising at Wargrave are reminded that facilities are made available through the kind permission of Wargrave Boat Club. Please respect the byelaws of the club, and remember **it is not a picnic area!!**

Moorings for visiting craft (powered or unpowered) are not available at WBC.

Shiplake Practice

07795 442461

REGATTA FIELD
Mill Lane
Shiplake
Henley-on-Thames

Available boats

2 Skiffs
2 Dinghies
2 Dongolas
2 Canoes

- Bookings: 07795 442461
- Bookings open: 17.00 on Thursday 14th July.
- Bookings taken 17.00 – 19.00 from Thursday 14th until Saturday 23rd July, thereafter during Practice Hours (see below).
- Practice Hours: 17.00 – 19.00 from Monday 18th until Saturday 23rd July, then 16.00 – 20.00 from Sunday 24th until Saturday 30th July and then 14.00 – 21.00 from Sunday 31st July until Wednesday 3rd August.

Those practising at Shiplake may take their cars into the regatta field. Please park adjacent to the General Start please do not use the private section of Mill lane but follow the marked diversion along the farm track.

Mooring of non-regatta boats is not permitted on the Rafts.

Please keep dogs on a lead at all times.

Please note: transport across the river will not be available during practice.

The Regatta's Marshal Boat may not be used as an informal bank-to-bank taxi service.

Official programmes, giving details of all races, will be on sale in Wargrave, Shiplake & both practices venues, from Thursday 28th July.