



WARGRAVE BOATING CLUB
RAG REGATTA – Sunday 6th September 2026 at 9am
CONDITIONS OF ENTRY AND NOTES FOR
COMPETITORS
(Entries close at 12.00 pm on Sunday 30th August 2026)



The Rag Regatta is a family day, run each year for WBC members, consisting of a programme of informal races and fun events. The course runs from a point before Herons Creek downstream from the Club to the island in front of the Club. **The first race will start at 9am prompt (unless the number of entries determines otherwise).** Prize giving will follow the last event of the day.

Food will be on sale during the day and there will be a bar. Please join us and have fun. There will be a variety of scratch events that can be entered on the day - **you are advised to bring a change of clothes and a towel, even if you currently have no intention of competing!**

Safety is a key issue with any activity on the river. Please read the following rules carefully:

RULES

1.	All competitors must be members of Wargrave Boating Club.
2.	Competitors enter at their own risk and must be able to swim at least 50 metres fully clothed (other than for the events for Under 9s).
3.	We will aim to schedule all races so that competitors will have adequate spacing between each race, however this may not be possible if candidates enter more than 3 events not including the Bull Enduro (event 11) or the Anne Reid Enduro (event 12). As the day progresses if competitors have a tight turnaround between races we will try to adapt the racing schedule where possible.
4.	All competitors must be at least 9 years old before the date of the Rag Regatta, with the exception of Events 1, 7, 9 and 17.
5.	The age of junior competitors is calculated on the date of the Rag Regatta (e.g. Under 12 events are open to children whose 12th birthday occurs the day after the Regatta or later).
6.	Experienced coxes are required for all skiffing events and events 1 & 2 - the organizers reserve the right to require crews to change coxes. Coxes for Under 12 events must be under 12. Coxes for Under 9 events may be any age. Where possible, please avoid coxing for others in an event you have entered as a sculler to avoid race scheduling problems later in the day.
7.	Experienced adult steerers are required for all dongola events.
8.	Punting events will be held under local rules (see noticeboard for full details).
9.	All competitors under 16 must have passed the Club's swimming test, otherwise a consent form must have been signed by their parents/guardians.
10.	All competitors must wear buoyancy aids in kayak, Canadian canoe, sit-on-kayak, SUP and Junior Dongola events. U12 competitors who have not passed the Club River Swim test must wear a buoyancy aid in ALL craft.
11.	All competitors must wear plimsolls, trainers or other appropriate footwear.
12.	Competitors will need to report for boating 15 minutes before their scheduled race time. Late arrivals may be disqualified.
13.	It is a condition of entry that competitors agree to return any cups they win in clean and good condition, appropriately engraved.
14.	The organisers reserve the right to alter the details of events as necessary and to cancel any event for which it considers there to be insufficient entries.
15.	Competitors who leave before prize-giving at the end of the day may be disqualified and forfeit their win, at the discretion of the organising committee.
16.	The umpires' decisions are final.

ENTRY GUIDANCE

The programme will be distributed to all members by the end of Friday 4th September 2026.
Completed entry forms should be returned to Johnny Wyld using either email or post:
Johnny Wyld, Wall End, Station Road, Wargrave, Berkshire RG10 8EU. Rag.Entries@wargraveboatingclub.co.uk

Payment will be collected in cash or by card at the Boat Club on the day of the regatta.
Please submit entries as soon as possible and **no later than 12pm on Sunday 30th August 2026.**

Late entries will not be accepted.

Additional entry forms are available at the Clubhouse and WBC website



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No.	EVENT NAME	ENTRY FEE
1	Side By Side Dinghy Race (9 and under) with experienced cox (2 + cox) - one length of reduced length course. Enter as a pair or single. Singles will be paired by the organising committee. Enter with a cox if possible. If not, a cox will be provided.	£4 per crew (£2 for singles)
2	Side By Side Dinghy Race (10 - 11) (2 + cox) - one length of course. Minimum age 10. Enter as a pair or single. Singles will be paired by the organising committee. Enter with a cox if possible. If not, a cox will be provided.	£4 per crew (£2 for singles)
3	Singles Dinghy Race (9 - 11) - one length of course. Minimum age 9.	£2 per person
4	Singles Dinghy Race (12 - 15) - one length of course. Minimum age 12.	£2 per person
5	Traditional Skiff Race (ages 12-17) (2 + cox) - crews must have undergone WBC tuition and will be paired by the organising committee – details available in the programme. Each crew will then be responsible for finding an experienced cox.	£2 per person
6	Traditional Skiff Race (18 and over) (2 + cox) - crews must have undergone WBC tuition and will be paired by the organising committee – details available in the programme. Each crew will then be responsible for finding an experienced cox.	£3 per person
7	Doubles Canadian Canoe - Adult & Child (10 and under)	£4 per crew
8	Doubles Junior Canadian Canoe (10 - 15) - drawn by organizing committee	£2 per person
9	Scratch Junior Dongola Race (Under 18) - crews will be drawn by the organising committee. An adult steerer will be allocated to each team.	£2 per person
10	Scratch Dongola Race (18 and over) - crews will be drawn by the organising committee. Please state on entry form if you are a steerer.	£3 per person
11	The Bull Enduro (18 and over) - kayak to Ferry Lane slipway, run to The Bull, have a drink, return to kayak and paddle back to Club.	£3, entries also taken on the day
12	Anne Reid Enduro (10 - 17) - similar to Bull Enduro. Competitors must have completed a kayak training course.	£2, entries also taken on the day
13	Classified and Drawn Doubles Punting - 1 experienced and 1 novice, to be paired by organizing committee – competitors must have undergone WBC tuition.	£3 per person
14	Doubles Punting in Canadian Canoes (11 and over) - minimum age 11- competitors must have undergone WBC punting tuition.	Per crew: £4 (U18) £6 (18+)
15	Novice Singles Punting Dash (18 and over) - single length of the course, finishing at the Boat Club. Competitors must have completed the WBC Punting beginners' training course, and not yet won a singles punting race.	£3 per person
16	Junior Novice Singles Punting Dash (Under 18) - single length of the course, finishing at the Boat Club. Competitors must have completed the WBC Punting beginners training course, and not yet won a singles punting race	£2 per person
17	Doubles Sit-on-kayak Race - Adult & Child (10 and under)	£2 per person
18	Doubles Junior Sit-on-kayak Race (10-15) - drawn by organizing committee	£2 per person
19	Singles Sit-on-kayak Race (9-11)	£2 per person
20	Singles Sit-on-kayak Race (12-15)	£2 per person
21	Family Double Dinghy - event for four people, two of whom must be children. If you don't have a full crew, please enter and we will complete the crew for you.	£4 per family

N.B. The committee reserves the right not to run an event if there are insufficient entries.



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Please complete appropriate columns.

Event No.	Event Name	Team member 1	Team member 2	Cox/ Steerer	Ages if under 18	Fee £

Please continue over leaf if required

This form should be sent as soon as possible to: Rag.Entries@wargraveboatingclub.co.uk or Johnny Wyld, Wall End, Station Road, Wargrave, Berkshire RG10 8EU by **12pm on Sunday 30th August 2026**
 We regret that late entries will not be accepted

I/we agree to abide by the rules of the Wargrave Boating Club Rag Regatta (see website for details). I/we accept that the WBC Committee and Trustees shall not be liable for any loss, damage, death or personal injury howsoever caused as a result of practicing for or participating in these events. I/we agree to any photos taken to be placed on the Club website or used in any other form of publicity.

Name:		Signed:	
Total entry fees for all entries on this form:	£	Tel No:	

The event relies on assistance from competitors and parents. All adult competitors and parents of junior competitors will be allocated a duty. Please indicate a preference for a) setting up; and b) help during the regatta itself. If no preference is indicated, we assume you are available for any duty.

a) Setting up from 7am Saturday ☐ Clearing up will be completed by 6pm - All required to help

b) Catering ☐ Bar ☐ Boat duties ☐ Clothing ☐

If you have any queries, please contact Johnny Wyld on 07912 799140 / chairman@wargraveboatingclub.co.uk