



Exe-Calibre Dragon Boat Club Charity Event Details of Competition Rules & Conditions

Dragon Boat racing is an ancient Chinese tradition and the fastest growing water activity in Britain today - as well as the most fun! Up to 16 people paddle each 40' boat with a drummer at the front beating time and a helm at the tail steering a straight course. No previous experience is required, just plenty of team spirit!

The event is open to everyone and the crews will battle it out over a 200m course, watched by crowds of spectators. Exeter Quay offers a superb venue for racing and a fabulous day is assured for spectators and competitors alike.

ENTRY is £200 per Team and includes:

- The option of a training session lasting 1½ hours prior to the event. Dates to be confirmed after crew entry.
- Use of dragon boats, qualified helms and all racing equipment
- At least 3 races per crew
- Trophy for the winning crew plus the crews that placed
- Prize for the crew raising most money for ELF or the charity of their choice

Crew details

Crews must comprise 12-16 paddlers plus a drummer – Crews can be mixed, all female or all male and organisations may enter more than one crew. The minimum age is 12 and anyone under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a consented parent or guardian.

No previous experience of dragon boat racing is required. All crew members must be able to swim wearing light clothing in moving water and compete entirely at their own risk. Buoyancy aids and water safety cover are provided by the organisers.

Rules

1. Exe-Calibre is an operator approved by the British Dragon Boat Racing Association (BDA). The event will be run under BDA Festival Rules and hold a BDA Race Permit. All crews accepted for entry must abide with the competition rules of the BDA and the entry details shown on this form. Each crew is guaranteed a minimum of 3 races (subject to weather conditions).
2. It is compulsory for all crew members to wear buoyancy aids at all times on the water. Sufficient buoyancy aids will be made available for individual races.
3. Alcohol and water sports do not mix. If any participant has consumed alcohol or appears to be inebriated they will not be allowed to participate in the water activities.
4. All Competitors must be competent swimmers and confident in water. It is the responsibility of the Crew Manager to ensure that his or her crew members satisfy this condition. Submission of the final crew list will be taken as confirmation of this.
5. Whilst safety cover is provided, all entrants participate entirely at their own risk. The event has full liability cover under the BDA race permit scheme but it is a condition of entry to the competition that each crew manager or representative hereby agrees to indemnify the race organisers against any claim for loss or injury sustained by any member of their crew due to the actions of their crew.
6. All crews shall be helmed (steered) by a qualified, competent and experienced Helmsman who will be provided by, or must be approved by, Exe-Calibre Dragon Boat Club.
7. A completed final crew list must be handed in at race-day registration. Crews will not be permitted to race until this is received.
8. Details of the proposed race programme will be provided at the Crew Managers' briefing, with an indicative programme made available a few days prior to the event.

9. Racing is nominally scheduled to take place between 10:00am and 4pm. Crew Managers should ensure that their crew members are fully aware of the extent of the programme.
10. All decisions regarding race results or crew status will be taken by the Chief Official for the event and must be accepted as final.
11. The organisers reserve the right to postpone and reschedule the event at short notice, should it be necessary.
12. The Club will not be held liable for any loss or damage to participant's personal belongings.
13. Photography and video will be allowed on the day, with outside companies also taking aerial and riverside pictures. In signing this form, you consent to any pictures of individuals and team photos being used in future publications and promotional material.

Entry Fees

The proceeds of the Entry Fee are to cover the costs of running the event. Any surplus will be divided equally between ELF and the Exe-Calibre DBC New Boat Fund.

Teams – 16 + Drummer (17 Total): **£200**

Individuals – 1 person wishing to join a team. **£15**, and a suggested minimum sponsorship of £20 (to be paid on race day). The organisers will endeavour to find a crew for individuals but no guarantees can be made.

Entries

Will be accepted on a first-come-first-served basis with full payment, the maximum number of crews we can accommodate is 12. No refunds will be given once an entry fee has been accepted. Entries cannot be accepted after 15th July.

Charity Sponsorship

The primary charity being supported is Exeter Leukemia Fund (1154727).

Each crew/individual is encouraged to raise as much money as possible.

Crews can also choose to raise funds for other organisations.

Official sponsor forms for ELF will be supplied with your entry confirmation or you can provide your own forms for your charity of choice.

All funds raised by crews or individuals are your responsibility and should be paid directly to the charity.

How to enter:

Teams - Please complete and sign the entry form above and return it together with your entry fee of £200. Please return to the address given on the entry form.

Individuals – Please enter using the below form, but retain your entry fee (£15) until it is confirmed that a crew of other individuals can be filled.

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Crew Planner

To be handed in at Crew Registration: **9:30am on 29th July 2017**



Crew Name:

Crew Managers Name:

	Name	Under 18 Y/N	M/F		Name	Under 18 Y/N	M/F
1				9			
2				10			
3				11			
4				12			
5				13			
6				14			
7				15			
8				16			
Drummer:							
Reserves							
17				19			
18				20			

Exe-Calibre DBC is a voluntary organisation and is providing this Dragon Boat event as part of its commitment to introduce the sport to a wide range of people and organisations in and around Exeter.

Participants and members of their party are required to have consideration for others at the event. If, in the reasonable opinion of those managing the event, a person acts in such a way as to cause, or be likely to cause, danger, upset or distress to any other competitor they shall be asked to take no further part in the event. The organisers will not pay any refunds, expenses or costs as a result of this action.