

Fermoy Rowing Club

Barnane Walk, Fermoy, Co Cork P61 YD96

500m Non-Status Sprint Regatta

Dear Captain / Secretary,

Fermoy rowing club wishes to invite your club to participate in our regatta which will take place on Sunday 2nd July 2023 in Fermoy.

This document is the prospectus for Fermoy Regatta.

Fermoy Regatta agreed to allow the 1K Festival of Rowing to go ahead in the NRC, on the day before its own regatta, otherwise the Festival would in all probability have been cancelled for this year, which would have been a disaster for the oars people of Ireland, both young and not so young alike.

Clubs will be travelling to the 1K Festival from all over the country and may consider going to Fermoy on the following day. This is great, provided your club does indeed intend to row at Fermoy, however we DO NOT WANT A TOKEN ENTRY.

A token entry would kill our regatta scheduling, which unlike the 1K runs on a draw made by tracker to a 200+ race timetable, with racing every 3 minutes, that's 10 hours racing from 8am to 6pm. If we get token entries, this will lead to numerous scratching, on the day, and complete upheaval of the event for oars people, spec and organisers alike.

We will not be offended, if you do not enter, but you are still all invited to drop in, as spectators, and see our 500 Meter Sprints.

As you already know the Weir in Fermoy is badly damaged which, in dry weather, can lead to low water levels. We are waiting on a rebuild of the Weir for years and even cancelled some regattas, because of low water. Actually we have a drop in water levels in excess of one metre, which is quite a disaster for the club and the regatta.

To get the regatta back in 2022, we spent over €30,000 on installing two new concrete slips with floating pontoons. Those clubs who came in 2022, had a very enjoyable day, but ten hours rowing is quite enough for one day. Enter wisely and please do not cross the grades.

Please find below the list of events we hope to offer on the day:

Men and Women	4x+	2x	1x	*****
Masters	Y	Y	Y	PLEASE NOTE THAT
Open	Y	Y	Y	ENTRIES FOR THE GRADE "OPEN" CAN BE ENTERED UNDER "SENIOR" ON TRACKER – THIS HAS BEEN AGREED WITH ROWING IRELAND
J18	Y	Y	Y	
J16	Y	Y	Y	
J15	Y	Y	Y	
J14	Y	Y	Y	

- All entries on Rowing Ireland Tracker entry system
- Cheques for entry are to be made payable to "Fermoy Rowing Club"
- Entries close on Wednesday 21st June at 19h00
- Clubs and Competitors take part at their own risk
- All participating clubs are responsible for their own Insurance.
- We insist that each competitor may only enter a **maximum of two events** on the day.
- The Regatta committee reserves the right to **limit entries in any event to three per club.**
- Coxes must wear a life jacket or will not be allowed to compete.
- Full draw and timetable will be on www.rowingireland.ie before the event
- Boats shall have bow balls and heel restraints which will be checked before reaching the slipway. Boats deemed safe will be tagged as such for the day's racing.

We look forward to welcoming you to Fermoy on July 2nd and hope you will have an enjoyable days racing.

There will be refreshments available on the day from the club house.

Yours in Rowing

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