



EUROPEAN DRAGON BOAT FEDERATION



10th EUROPEAN NATIONS CHAMPIONSHIPS

and the Nottingham International Club & BCS Crews Regatta

NOTTINGHAM 2012

National Water Sports Centre, Regatta Course, Nottingham, England

26TH – 29TH JULY 2012

INFORMATION BULLETIN No.1

To: ALL EDBF MEMBERS and non-member dragon boat organisations in Europe.

The Organizing Committee of the 10th European Nations Dragon Boat Championships - *NOTTINGHAM 2012*, in conjunction with the European Dragon Boat Federation (EDBF), **cordially invite National Dragon Boat Teams from European Countries to participate in the EDBF Championships**, which will be held from Thursday 26th July to Sunday 29th July 2012, at the National Water Sports Centre, Nottingham, England and **Club and BCS Crews from around the world are invited to compete in the 1st Nottingham International Dragon Boat Regatta** on the 28 and 29th July 2012 (Sat & Sunday)

Supported by the Nottinghamshire County Council, **Nottingham 2012** racing distances will be 200m, 500m and 2000m in Standard IDBF Spec Boats and 200m and 500m in IDBF Spec Small Boats.

Entry Conditions. Each Country may enter one crew per Nation, per Competition class shown below in both the Standard and Small Boat Championships. **Teams from countries where there is not an EDBF Member may compete subject to the agreement of the EDBF Executive Board.**

OUTLINE PROGRAMME: This programme is provisional and is to assist Teams with their planning.

Monday, 23 July 2012	<i>Teams arrive (optional) & registration in Nottingham</i>
Tuesday, 24 July 2012	<i>Teams arrive (optional) and training – NWSC Regatta Course.</i>
Wednesday 25 July 2012	<i>Teams arrive and training - NWSC Regatta Course.</i> <i>Morning EDBF Council Meeting</i> <i>Afternoon Race Officials Meeting.</i>
Thursday, 26 July 2012	<i>Teams arrive and training - NWSC Regatta Course.</i> <i>Morning EDBF ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY.</i> <i>Afternoon Crew Managers Meeting.</i> <i>Evening - Opening Ceremony.</i>
Friday, 27 July 2012	<i>Racing day – 2000m All Euro Championship Classes. Int Club & BCS Crews arrive.</i>
Saturday, 28 July 2012	<i>Racing day – 200m All Championship Classes & Int Club & BCS Crews Races</i>
Sunday, 29 July 2012	<i>Racing day. – 500m All Championship Classes & Int Club & BCS Crews Races</i> <i>Evening - Celebration Party</i>
Monday, 30 July 2012	<i>Crews depart – also Olympic Games London – Week.1</i>

Competing crews are advised to arrive in Nottingham no later than Wednesday 25th July 2012 (Int Crews Friday 27 July) but crews arriving earlier will be catered for. Friday 27th July 2012, will be the first European Champs racing day with the Opening Ceremony taking place on the evening of Thursday 26th July 2012.



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COMPETITION REGULATION AND RACING RULES

The Nottingham 2012 ENC will comply with the IDBF Competition Regulations and will be conducted under the IDBF Rules of Racing. **All participating Teams are required to return a completed Provisional Entry Form to EDBF by no later than Wednesday 15th February 2012.** Entries from BCS and Club Crews for the **Nottingham International Regatta should be submitted by 6th April 2012.**

European Divisions, Racing & Competition Classes. Both **Standard and Small Boat Races are on offer** (see table below) with the **Small Boat Races primarily aimed at new EDBF Members** and Club Crews but are also offered to established Countries with only a small number of paddlers available for a particular Racing Class or Competition Classes.

The Championship Divisions, Racing and Competition Classes that will be contested are listed below, Classes may be combined in the early rounds of competition but the Grand Finals will be separate.

In all competitions to qualify for a European Championship status at least four (4) entries, from different Countries per competition class are required. Competition Classes with three (3) entries will be given EDBF Championship status and less than 3 entries, per class, will be classified as demonstration races

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS - Standard Boat (22 Racers)

(Mixed Crews = min of 8 and max of 12 female paddlers)

Division	Premier Racing Class	Senior A Racing Class	Senior B Grand Dragons	18-23 Racing Class	Junior A & B Racing Classes
Open Comp	200, 500m, 2k	200, 500m, 2k	200, 500m, 2k	200, 500m, 2k	200, 500m, 2k
Women Comp	200, 500m, 2k	200, 500m, 2k	200, 500m, 2k	200, 500m, 2k	200, 500m, 2k
Mixed Comp	200, 500m, 2k	200, 500m, 2k	200, 500m, 2k	200, 500m, 2k	200, 500m, 2k

Small Boat (12 Racers)

(Mixed Crews = min of 4 and max of 6 female paddlers)

Division	Premier Racing Class	Senior A Racing Class	Senior B Grand Dragons	18-23 Racing Class	Junior A & B Racing Class
Open Comp	200, 500m	200, 500m	200, 500m	200, 500m	200, 500m
Women Comp	200, 500m	200, 500m	200, 500m	200, 500m	200, 500m
Mixed Comp	200, 500m	200, 500m	200, 500m	200, 500m	200, 500m

Age Regulations: Seniors A – age 40 or over. Senior B (Grand Dragons) 50 or over, as of 1 June 2012.

Junior A – aged under 18 but 12 or over as of 1 January 2012. Junior B- Under 16 but 12 or over as of 1 January 2012.

18s - 23s – aged 18 to 23 years old as of 1 June 2012 (Standard Boat 4 crew members may be 16-17 & 2, 24-25 – Small Boat 3 & 1)

An EDBF Member Country can enter the Standard or Small Boat Races or both in all Racing Classes **but for a Nation to enter both a Standard and Small Boat crew in the same Divisional Competition Class** the paddlers in the Small Boat Crew must be **different paddlers** from those used in the Standard Boat crew - including reserves. Additionally, if a Nation enters the 2000m Races in a Standard Boat it can only enter the Small Boat and Standard 200m and 500m if all the Racers concerned in the same Racing and Competition Classes are different.

Exception for Mixed Crews. A Nation may however, enter an Open Standard Boat Crew and a Women's Small Boat Crew in any Racing Class (or vice versa) when there are less than 18 paddlers in either crew. Then using the same Small Boat paddlers a Nation can **also race a Standard Boat Mixed Crew but not a Small Boat Mixed Crew.**

Double Rostering of paddlers between Divisions is discouraged. Helms and Drummers may be used across the Divisions (subject to the rules for Junior and Seniors) but in the case of 'back to back races' the race officials will NOT delay races to accommodate the transfer of Helms or Drummers.

Dragon Boat & Paddles. IDBF Specification dragon boats will be provided for the Championships. Crews are informed that only IDBF Spec 202a Racing paddles will be permitted in the ENC.



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Euro Champs - Representation and Nationality - IDBF Competition Regulation.4.

CR 4.1 Representation. To represent a country in an EDBF Championship for **Representative Crews**, a Dragon Boat Competitor must normally be a citizen of or born in the country represented and be able to prove this by showing an official document, such as a Passport, Identity Card, Birth Certificate, or the like.

a. Dual Nationality: Competitors with dual nationality (citizenship) may represent the Country or Territory of their Birth or their dual citizen Country or Territory, whichever of these they are residing in, providing that they have been resident in that Country or Territory for a current period of at least 3 full years. Competitors who do not meet these requirements must comply with Regulation 4.2 or 4.2a.

CR 4.2 Country or Territory of Residence. Dragon Boat competitors who have left their country of birth and are *a permanent, not temporary* resident in another country may represent that country if they have lived there for a current period of three (3) years or **more and have not represented their country of birth, during the previous two (2) years.**

Temporary Residency. A *Temporary Resident*, for the purposes of this Regulation, is a person who resides in a Country by virtue of a holding a visa, for example a visitors visa, student visa, work visa or the like. The EDBF considers such visas to indicate a 'temporary' residency in the Country concerned, not a permanent residency.

a. Exceptionally, competitors who have a permanent residential qualification of less than 3 years and who have not represented an EDBF Member previously, may with the permission of both their birth and residential EDBF Member, apply to the EDBF Executive Board for permission to compete for their country of residence.

When permission is given, the competitor concerned will not be allowed to compete for any other Country for a minimum period of 2 years following the year in which the permission is given.

b. (4.2) Competitors who, by marriage have acquired the nationality of another country may compete for that country without delay.

NOTTINGHAM INTERNATIONAL Club & BCS Crews Regatta - Standard Boat (22 Racers) (Mixed Crews = min of 8 and max of 12 female paddlers)

Division	Premier Racing Class	Senior A Racing Class	Senior B Grand Dragons	BCS Crews Racing Class
Open Comp	200 & 500m,	200 & 500m	200 & 500m	////////////////////
Women Comp	200 & 500m,	200 & 500m	200 & 500m	200 & 500m
Mixed Comp	200 & 500m,	200 & 500m	200 & 500m	200 & 500m

Small Boat (12 Racers) (Mixed Crews = min of 4 and max of 6 female paddlers)

Division	Premier Racing Class	Senior A Racing Class	Senior B Grand Dragons	BCS Crews Racing Class
Open Comp	200 & 500m,	200 & 500m	200 & 500m	////////////////////
Women Comp	200 & 500m,	200 & 500m	200 & 500m	200 & 500m
Mixed Comp	200 & 500m,	200 & 500m	200 & 500m	200 & 500m

Age Regulations: Seniors A – age 40 or over. Senior B (Grand Dragons) 50 or over, as of 1 June 2012.

BCS = Breast Cancer Survivors in the Mixed Racing Classes may have Male BCS or ACS (All Cancer Survivors) paddlers and up to 6 crew members (3 in the Small Boat may be cancer free, as can the Boat Helm in both the Women's and Mixed competitions.

Nationality Regulations. The IDBF Nationality Regulations do not apply for the Nottingham International Races but all competitors must have been members of their crews for at least 6 months.



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ENTRIES – European Nations Championships & Nottingham International Clubs Regatta

All Entries are to be sent to the EDBF, with all administrative information and logistical returns going to the **Nottingham 2012** Organizing Committee by the requested deadlines shown below.

PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES/AIDS (Pfd/Pfas).

Under IDBF Competition Regulations participants are not normally required to wear PFDs when racing unless the Chief Official so decides for the Junior Racing Classes or in inclement weather.

However, approved PFDs can be made available by the Organizing Committee for those participants who may wish to use them, by prior notification and application.

DOUBLE ROSTERING.

Double Rostering of paddlers between Divisions is discouraged and is not permitted between the European Champs and the Club Crew Races. In the European Champs Helms and Drummers may be used across the Divisions (subject to the rules for Junior and Seniors) and for the Clubs between their different crews but in all competitions, in the case of 'back to back races', the race officials will NOT delay races to accommodate the transfer of Helms or Drummers.

ACCOMMODATION, FOOD AND TRANSPORTATION.

The **Nottingham 2012 Organizing Committee has provisionally reserved accommodation, including breakfast at both the University of Nottingham and Trent University**, in single rooms or shared apartments. Spaces have also been reserved on the NWSC Camping & Caravan site, adjacent to the Regatta Course, for Teams attending the Championships.

The Organising Committee can also source and reserve Hotel accommodation in the Nottingham area for Teams or Clubs requiring it but be advised that Hotels in Nottingham already have limited availability in late July 2012 and it may not be possible to accommodate a complete Team in one Hotel.

Hotels reserved through the Nottingham 2012 Organising Committee, will be classified as 'Official Hotels' but the cost of the transport included in Universities Package shown on the Accommodation Booking Form below will be in addition to the cost of any Hotel accommodation

Those European Nations Championships (ENC) Teams staying in university accommodation may take advantage of the Universities Package which in addition to bed & breakfast on a per person, per night basis, includes

- Arrival/Departure Transport Service by luxury coach, from/to your arrival airport in the UK,
- Shuttle bus service between Official Accommodation sites and the Competition Site during training and racing days and to the Celebration Party. .

Teams and Clubs are free to book their own hotel or private accommodation but races will not be delayed for Teams or Club Crews that are not staying in the Universities or the Official Hotels or who travel to the Regatta Course under their own arrangements. Non-Package transport to/from the Airport can be booked with the Nottingham Org Com.

Race Day Lunches. Lunches at varying prices will be available for purchase by all participants and their supporters in the NWSC Restaurant and at fast food outlets in the competition area. A pre-paid set lunch in the NWSC Restaurant or packed lunches for those Teams and Clubs staying at the Universities, is included in the Universities Package price

CELEBRATION PARTY.

A Celebration Party will be provided for all competitors and their coaches, managers and registered supporters but the total number of participants, per Team, must be given to the **Nottingham 2012 CCWC Organizing Committee** by 28th May 2012, with a Team's Confirmed Entry. *The cost for the Celebration Party will be notified in Information Bulletin No.2.*



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REGATTA FEES

An EDBF Registration Fee of Euro 10.00 per person is to be paid by all participants and an Administration Fee, not expected to exceed £38.00 per participant, will be charged by the Organizing Committee. Confirmation of the Admin Fee will be given in Info Bulletin No.2.

PAYMENTS. EDBF Registration Fees are to be paid directly to the EDBF Treasurer with the Final Named Entries (22 June 2012). Deposits and other payments are to be made by electronic transfer in Pounds Sterling (£) to the Nottingham 2012 Organising Committee – **contact DACogswell@aol.com** or as directed by the Org Com in Information Bulletin No.2, no later than the relevant deadlines.

DEADLINES FOR ENTRIES AND FEES

Requirement	Deadline
Provisional Entries – European Nations Championships <i>Nottingham International Regatta</i>	15 February 2012 <i>06 April 2012</i>
Confirmed Numerative Entry - European Nations Championships plus £500.00 deposit towards the total Admin Fee per Team and 10% of any University accommodation. <u>Deposits are non-refundable.</u> <i>Nottingham International Regatta</i> plus 10% of any University accommodation. <u>Deposits are non-refundable.</u>	06 April 2012 <i>06 June 2012</i>
European Nations Championships & Nottingham International Regatta Final Named Entry and EDBF Registration Fee of Euro 10.00 per participant, plus 40% of all University accommodation. Those submitting a late Named Entry cannot be guaranteed an entry if the race programme has been completed.	22 June 2012
European Nations Championships & Nottingham International Regatta Balance of Admin Fee (less non-refundable deposit paid) plus the balance of outstanding University accommodation. (By exception and at the discretion of the Org Com, cash payments in £ sterling on arrival in Nottingham, may be permitted.	20 July 2012



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PROVISIONAL ENTRY FORM

One (1) Entry Form only per Team – NOT one (1) per Crew within a Team

Deadline Date for Provisional Entries is Wednesday 15th February 2012

Country Represented			
Team Manager's Name			
Phone Number		Fax	
E-mail Address			
Mailing Address			

In the table below, mark (**x**) in the appropriate box (es) to indicate each category and distance your Team is entering. If your Team is entering a crew in mixed category and the respective mixed crew to be drawn from your Open and Women's Crews', indicate this by marking a (**C**) for combined in the box(es).

Standard Boat (22 Racers)	Open			Women			Mixed		
	200m	500m	2000m	200m	500m	2000m	200m	500m	2000m
Premier									
Senior A 040									
Snr B (GD) 050									
18-23s									
Junior A									
Junior B									

Small Boat (12 Racers)	Open		Women		Mixed	
	200m	500m	200m	500m	200m	500m
Premier						
Senior A 040						
Senior B (GD) 050						
U23						
Junior A						
Junior B						

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18s - 23s – aged 18 to 23 years old as of 1 June 2012 (Standard Boat 4 crew members may be 16-17 & 2, 24-25 – Small Boat 3 & 1)

Team Manager - Name	
Signature & Date	

Show here the total estimated number of participants from your Team _____

RETURN THIS PROVISIONAL ENTRY FORM BY EMAIL TO:- mikehaslam@aol.com

Information on the Universities' and Nottingham Hotel Reservation's web sites' are shown on the Accommodation Booking Form.



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Nottingham International Clubs & BCS Regatta

PROVISIONAL ENTRY FORM

One (1) Entry Form only per Club – NOT one (1) per Crew within a Club

Deadline Date for Provisional Entries is Friday 6th April 2012

Club / BCS Crew Name			
Crew Manager's Name			
Phone Number		Fax	
E-mail Address			
Mailing Address			

In the table below, mark (x) in the appropriate box (es) to indicate each category and distance your Team is entering. If your Team is entering a crew in mixed category and the respective mixed crew to be drawn from your Open and Women's Crews', indicate this by marking a (C) for combined in the box(es).

Standard Boat (22 Racers)	Open		Women			Mixed	
	200m	500m	200m	500m		200m	500m
Premier							
Senior A 040							
Senior B (GD) 050							
BCS (ACS)	/////	/////					

Small Boat (12 Racers)	Open		Women		Mixed	
	200m	500m	200m	500m	200m	500m
Premier						
Senior A 040						
Senior B (GD) 050						
BCS (ACS)						

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Crew Manager - Name	
Signature & Date	

Show here the total estimated number of participants from your Club _____

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ACCOMMODATION BOOKING FORM

Country or Club Crew Name		
Team or Crew Manager's Name		
Phone Number		Fax
E-mail Address		
Mailing Address		

In the following table, indicate your estimated number of participants and your rooms' requirement

Team *	Supporters **	Media	Total

** Includes all competitors, coaches, managers and medics etc. ** Includes spouses, family & friends.*

Accommodation Requirement	£ 34.00. pp.pn B&B Nottm Univ	£32.00. pp.pn B&B Trent Univ	£39.00 max Hotel Room Rate per night	£ 40 - £79.00 Hotel Room Rate per night	£ 80 - £129.00 Hotel Room Rate per night	Over £130.00 Hotel Room Rate per night
Single room		////////////////////				
Apartment	////////////////////					
Twin room	////////////////////	////////////////////				
Double room	////////////////////	////////////////////				
ENC Package **	£59.00 pp.pn	£58.00 pp.pn	////////////////////	////////////////////	////////////////////	////////////////////

**** ENC Package** (pp.pn = Per person, per night). 5 day package arrive Wed 25 July 12 and depart Mon 30 July 12. Includes, Lunch at the NWSC on training and race days. (University Packed Lunch £2.00 per day less) plus transfers from and return to the Team's Airport of arrival. Shuttle Bus to Regatta Course and Celebration Party.

See:- www.nottinghamconferences.co.uk/university-park/ for details on Nottingham University.

See:- www.selfservice.ntu.ac.uk for details of the type of accommodation at Trent University.

See:- www.booking.com/Nottinham-hotels for hotels near to the NWSC and for availability in late July 2012

NWSC Camp Site	Per Tent, per night	+ per person per night
Tent	£9.00	£4.00
Caravan	£21.00 per van, per night or £22.00 including electricity	
Camper vans	Price on application	

Number of Nights accommodation or camping required _____ Dates from _____ to _____

Name	
Signature	
Date	

To enable the 2012 Org Com to book accommodation for your ENCTeam or Club Crew please return this reservation form by email to:-

suemenzies@hotmail.com - by 15 February 2012 for the ENC

or 6 April 2012 for the Nottingham International Club & BCS Crews Regatta



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International Airports near Nottingham, England

- 12 miles: East Midlands Airport - ([EMA](#))
- 36 miles: Robin Hood Airport Doncaster Sheffield - ([DSA](#))
- 43 miles: Birmingham Airport, ([BHX](#))
- 53 miles: Manchester Airport - ([MAN](#))
- 54 miles: Humberside Airport - ([HUY](#))
- 65 miles: Leeds Bradford International Airport - ([LBA](#))
- 74 miles: Liverpool John Lennon Airport - ([LPL](#))
- 82 miles: London Luton Airport - ([LTN](#))
- 95 miles: London Stansted Airport - ([STN](#))

Main Airlines operating from all or some of the above airports – Jet 2, FlyBE, Ryan Air, Thomas Cook, Thompson, Wizz Air, Air Berlin, German Wings, KLM, BA,

Low Cost Airlines Flying to some of the above airports.

EASY JET

To London Stansted or Luton from - Amsterdam, Barcelona, Berlin, Budapest, Copenhagen, Dortmund, Geneva, Hamburg, Istanbul, Ljubljana, Lisbon, Lyon, Madrid, Malaga, Milan, Munich, Naples, Nice, Paphos, Paris, Prague, Salzburg, Tallinn, Zurich.

To Manchester from - Amsterdam, Athens, Barcelona, Berlin, Copenhagen, Geneva, Gothenburg, Hamburg, Madrid, Malaga, Munich, Paphos, Sofia, Zurich.

To Birmingham from – Geneva, Grenoble. **To Leeds Bradford from** - Geneva

To Liverpool from - Amsterdam, Barcelona, Berlin, Brussels, Bordeaux, Geneva, Hamburg, Innsbruck, Krakow, Lisbon, Lyon, Madrid, Malaga, Milan, Naples, Nice, Paris, Salzburg, Tallinn.

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To East Midlands from - Barcelona, Berlin, Dublin, Krakow, Malaga, Milan, Murcia, Rome, Venice, Wroclaw.

To Leeds Bradford from - Barcelona, Dublin, Dusseldorf, Gdansk, Krakow, Malaga, Milan, Murcia, Pisa, Riga.

To Birmingham from - Barcelona, Bratislava, Bydgoszcz, Derry, Dublin, Gdansk, Malaga, Murcia.

To Liverpool from - Barcelona, Bratislava, Bydgoszcz, Derry, Dublin, Gdansk, Malaga, Milan, Murcia, Oslo, Poznan, Riga, Rome, Stockholm, Wroclaw.

To London Stansted or Luton from - Barcelona, Bratislava, Bremen, Bydgoszcz, Cork, Derry, Dublin, Dusseldorf, Frankfurt, Gdansk, Gothenburg, Madrid, Malaga, Malmo, Milan, Murcia, Munich, Oslo, Pisa, Poznan, Riga, Rome, Stockholm, Tallinn, Wroclaw.

To Manchester from - Barcelona, Brussels, Paris, Bremen, Dublin, Frankfurt, Katowice, Madrid, Malaga, Milan, Murcia, Oslo, Rome, Stockholm, Tallinn.

JET2

To East Midlands from Paphos, Pisa.

To Leeds Bradford from – Amsterdam, Barcelona, Berlin, Budapest, Dalaman, Dubrovnik, Dusseldorf, Geneva, Larnaca, Malaga, Milan, Murcia, Nice, Paphos, Paris, Prague, Rome, Salzburg, Venice.

To Manchester from – Barcelona, Budapest, Dalaman, Dubrovnik, Geneva, Istanbul, Larnaca, Malaga, Murcia, Nice, Paphos, Paris, Prague, Rome, Salzburg, Venice.

BMI BABY

To East Midlands from – Amsterdam, Barcelona, Cologne, Dubrovnik, Geneva, Malaga, Munich, Murcia, Naples, Nice, Paris, Prague, Venice.

To Birmingham from - Amsterdam, Barcelona, Geneva, Lisbon, Malaga, Murcia, Nice, Prague, Rome.