

BIGGEST JUNIOR SCULLING EVENT IN GREAT BRITAIN



Rowing regatta entries are consistently 25% or more over-subscribed, giving hard evidence that the sport has never been more popular with both competitors and spectators. Sculling in particular is increasingly becoming the chosen sport of many young athletes, male and female, seeking a sport that is physically demanding, technically challenging and enormous fun.

Proof of this popularity can be found in the new National Junior Sculling Head of the River, to be held on the historic Henley-on-Thames venue on Wednesday, 8th March, where 280 crews consisting of over 1,500 athletes will race over the demanding 3,200 metre, upstream course.

This inaugural event has been organised by “The Scullery”, an independent organisation formed to promote the interests of sculling throughout Great Britain, and is possibly the biggest sculling event ever to be held in the country.

With Angus Robertson, a long standing steward of Henley Royal Regatta, as President the event has the potential to become one of the most important competitions in the rowing calendar, offering racing opportunities for crews within the age ranges of J14 - J18.

Chris Morrell of Windsor Boys' School, one of the organisers, is upbeat about the prospects: “This is an exciting stand-alone sculling event that has attracted crews from all around the country. Judging by the massive entry the event is already a success and can only improve in the future”.

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THE NATIONAL JUNIOR HEAD OF THE RIVER

Wednesday, 8th March 2006

Henley-on-Thames

Ist Division starts: 11.30am

2nd Division starts: 2.15pm

3rd Division starts: 4.00pm