

Tyne 200

Sunday 1 August 2021



An informal celebration of 200 years of rowing races on the Tyne. The first significant recorded event was on 1 August 1821, marking the coronation of George IV.

A variety of rowing and racing formats, including a 'Bridges Row', based at Newburn. www.nerowing.com/tyne200.html

Tyne 200 - 1 August 2021 - Newburn - Event Information

Organisers and location

The event is organised by the Northern Rowing Council in conjunction with Tyne Amateur Rowing Club, Gateshead Community Rowing Club, and Tyne United Rowing Club. Boating will be from Tyne ARC and Tyne United RC at Newburn. Catering will be provided. Invaluable support is given by Port of Tyne, Newcastle City Council and many others. Those doing the work are almost all volunteers.

Why Tyne 200?

It is '200' as our event is on 1 August 2021, 200 years to the day since the first ever formal recorded rowing race on the River Tyne - see this article by Ian Whitehead: <https://blog.twmuseums.org.uk/the-development-of-the-racing-shell-tyne-innovations-by-ian-whitehead/>. A fuller piece is in preparation. The 1 August 1821 race was put on (with some interesting local difficulties) to mark the coronation of George IV.

Programme

This is the programme. If you have a particular challenge race over 1000m in stable or fine boats you would like to have organised for you, just contact us. This would be run in in the afternoon.

- 09.00 20k (total) row from Newburn to the Bridges (city centre) and back, aimed at stable/fine quads/fours and St Ayles Skiffs; but other boat types if spaces, overall limit of 20. Boating would be from 9.00am onwards and setting off about 9.30am. **Not for very novice crews because of time limits - sorry.**
- 11.30 Early return of two St Ayles Skiffs to Newburn for anyone to have-a-go in a fixed seat 'traditional' rowing boat (based at Tyne ARC).
- 12.30 Stable Class C quads - mini round robin competition (same general conditions as Sunday League) for club crews of four plus cox (based at TURC) - boats provided, crews swap.
- 13.30 St Ayles Skiffs - mini round robin competition (same general similar to Sunday League) for club crews of four plus cox (based at TARC) - boats provided or bring your own.
- 14.30 Fine boat event, based on Tyne Regatta 2018 arrangements:
- Two divisions, one for fours/quads and one for doubles/singles.
 - In each there would be a time trial on the straight over 1000m.
 - Then a series of mini 3 lane finals for all entered boats, based purely on the trial times, regardless of boat type, age etc.
 - Prize in each mini-final and prize for overall fastest in each boat type in trials.
- 17.00 Finish

This event is not affiliated to British Rowing and entries will not be on BROE, but procedures will be agreed with the Northern Rowing Council and external bodies as required and fully insured. Current Covid restrictions will apply - refer to our web page after 19 July 21. Rowers need not be British Rowing members but must belong to a recognised club with insurance. £5 pp excl coxes for Bridges row and time trial / races. £10 per crew for round robins. There are no separate categories for gender and age and crews can be mixed or not to keep it simple.

Entering

Go to https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1ZwzWy_CRM50jmiL4AGn3LKnV3uJMUL5lqAFRkOuB1xU to enter. If you cannot use this form for any reason please contact us as below by email. Enquiries about hiring boats or forming mixed club crews in home boats welcome, but no promises.

You do not need to pay until the event is confirmed after entries close. We will let you know when. We ask for entries by 6.00pm on Saturday 24 July 21 (*earlier if possible*) so we can judge if the event (each part and as a whole) is viable, but if confirmed on we can take late entries up to 12 noon on Thursday 29 July 21 if space.

Contact

The contact for the Northern Rowing Council as organiser of this event is Colin Percy at tyne200@nerowing.com. Please get in touch with any questions you may have.

More information is at www.nerowing.com/tyne200.html