Devoran Gig Club Annual Regatta – Risk Assessment

Event Organizers – Devoran Pilot Gig Club Committee

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Event Safety Team - Club Safety Officer : Jerry Harris

Safety Team: Nigel Young

First Aid - Paramedic cover provided by Coast Medic

Marshals - Team Leader : Andy Watts

Team: Julie P, Mark Pinnick, Tom Clarke, Mel Johns





Approximate race course

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ANNUAL REGATTA VISITORS and MEMBERS ROWING AT THE QUAY RISK ASSESSMENT

Probability of accident(s)	Severity of outcome				
	Low Medium High				
Low - highly					
unlikely	Trivial	Tolerable	Moderate		
	risk	risk	risk		
Medium - unlikely	Tolerable	Moderate	Substantial		
	risk	risk	risk		
High - likely	Moderate	Substantial	Intolerable		
	risk	risk	risk		

Hazard	Risk	Control measures in place	Person(s) responsible	Risk factor
Water based: Collision	Skeletal and soft tissue injury, knocked unconscious	Coxes o be aware of risks and remain alert. Safety boat in attendance during racing		Low-high dependent upon number of gigs/other water users and prevailing weather conditions
	Immersion with risk of infection, drowning, hypothermia	Thermal blankets available in gigs and club house. Throwbags, lifebuoys to be available. First aid kits available and checked regularly	Committee, Coxes, Coaches Club Safety Officer	Low
Capsize	As above	As above	As above	Low
Swamping	Immersion as above	Bailers in gig	Coxes	Low
Catching crabs	Skeletal and soft tissue injury including potential head injuries	Rowers to be instructed on actions to take in event of catching a crab. First aid kits available	Coxes, crew	Low

Hazard	Risk	Control measures in place	Person(s) responsible	Risk factor
Over-exertion Hyperventilation, pulled muscles, cramp, back injury, hypothermia		Rowers to warm up before rowing and warm down and stretch as appropriate. Suitable clothing to be worn. Coxes to watch novice rowers	Coxes, Coaches, Crew	Medium
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High winds/heavy seas	Being swept onto obstacles, difficulty in maneuvering gig	Sessions only to be undertaken in suitable weather conditions	Rowing officer, event safety officer, coxes	Low
Land based:				
Gig & Trailer, Catering Equipment , Displays	Trip Hazards Fire	Equipment, Displays, Cables, Furniture, Gig and Trailer etc to be stowed correctly. Fire extinguisher near barbecue	Club Members & Committee	Low
Lifting gigs	Back injury, musculo- skeletal injuries, abrasion	All crews to be instructed on proper lifting techniques. Trolleys and trailers to be used. Routes to be kept clear of obstacles	Coxes, coaches, crew	Low
Gig transport	Trailer overturning	Experienced and/or trained driver used to tow. Trailer to be serviced and in good condition. Marshals to be used when reversing. Insurances current	Drivers, Committee	Low

Risk Assessment 2 – Overall Event Environment & Public Safety

HAZARD	CONTROLS/MEASURES IN PLACE	RISK POSED (allowing for controls/measures in place)	FURTHER CONTROLS/MEASURES	RISK POSED (after further controls/measures implemented)
Public safety Public on Quay Car Parking	 High visibility signs to warn public of activities and avoidance requirements Continued communication between staff via two-way radio and cellular phone The club insured against third party public liability as condition of entry 	High	Staff reserve right to halt any/all proceedings should risk level exceed acceptable limits	Low
	 Qualified first aid personnel on site for duration of event Event insured as a whole 			
Claims against the Club by public	All of the aboveClub indemnified against any claims	Low	None identified	Low
Claims against Club rowers	All of the above	Low	None identified	Low
Traffic congestion and parking	Designated parking MarshalsDefined Parking Areas	Low		Low
Litter	 Sufficient refuse receptacles on site Litter patrols at start/finish 	Medium	Thorough 'clean-up' exercise at event end	Low
Food/Drink	 Food Handlers to disinfect their hands and use protective gloves Plastic Glasses to be used 	Medium	Food and Drinks Area to be kept clean and tidy	Low
Visible warnings/area markings	Signs, flags, bunting and marker tape	Low	None	Low
Welfare	 Refreshments will be available • 	Insignificant	None	Insignificant