



# Chester Le Street Amateur Rowing Club

## CLS ARC Boat Allocation Policy (CLS19)

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### Introduction and aims of this policy

Chester-Le-Street Amateur Rowing Club (CLSARC) maintains a fleet of fine rowing and sculling boats for use by all eligible members. All members are subject to the boat allocation policy, as approved by the committee and administered by the club captain.

All members must remember that there is a great demand on resources at the club; therefore, not every boat request may be successful. Rather than a set of firm rules and regulations, this policy will act as guidance for the club captain for how equipment should be distributed during training and racing. The aim of this policy is not to deny members the use of boats but to ensure the fleet is used to provide the greatest benefits to the largest number of rowers while ensuring the longevity of the current fleet at the club.

The club captain has the final say over how any club boat may be allocated, and although the reasoning behind decisions may not always be clear, the club captain will act with the best intentions and make decisions that will best serve the club and its members.

### Boat allocation

Using the policy as a guideline, the club captain will try to allocate boats as fairly / equally as possible. Crew weight averages should not exceed +10kg of the boat's stamped crew weight, except for singles where crew weight must not exceed +5kg of stamped crew weight. **Boats will NOT be allocated on a first come, first serve basis.**

Boats are placed in one of three categories; performance boats, club boats and junior boats. Allocation of boats will take into account the boat category and the considerations outlined below.

Squad crews hoping to use any 'performance boat' should submit their seasonal goals / aims to the club captain through their respective squad co-ordinators, representative or direct to the club captain should neither of these be in position.

### Allocation considerations

The club captain will use the following factors to allocate boats to crews for training and competition:

- All individual crew members must be members at CLSARC (club crews will be given priority over composites)
- Rower / crew performance and speed (as proven in previous racing/seat racing)
- Rower / crew competence
- Overall suitability of the crew for the available equipment
- Rowers / crews that are more competitive within their respective category (as proven by previous race results)
- Rowers / crews with a clear seasonal goal that are following a club approved training program to achieve this goal will be given priority over 'performance boats'

- Club strategic and performance aims and priorities.

## **Alternating priority**

If there is a demand on one boat by two or more crews at specific regattas or training, the club captain may request that the committee approve alternating priority.

- The club captain will decide which crew has priority of a boat in a particular division (case one)
- Following divisions / regattas priority will be given to the alternate crew given priority in case one
- At its discretion, the committee may interrupt the alternation if the priority squad does not meet the allocation conditions of the policy.

## **Boat types**

### **Performance boats**

To be used by club captain's express permission only. Highly competent and experienced crews only or, athletes who are aiming at top level competition (GB, HRR, British Masters etc). These boats will be restricted access and should be used only when there is a specific club approved seasonal goal. The club should aim to keep these boats in a condition that would aid performance at a high level. Boats should be booked through booking system.

- Chester Warrior 4x-
- Julie Lewcock II 2x
- Arran Lewcock 2x
- Black Pearl 1x
- Wayne Curry 1x

### **Club boats**

Usually there will be no restrictions on these boats. Any club member may access them subject to crew weight guidance in this policy. The Club Captain may from time to time place a restriction on any of these boats in order to meet the Club strategic and performance aims and priorities. Committee will be informed of any such restriction and the reasoning behind the decision.

- Wear 8 8+
- Chester flyer 4x+
- Victoria Bryant 4x
- Solvit Splash 4x+
- Bob Heywood 4x
- Steven Thompson 4x+
- Peter Harrison 4x
- Joanna 4x+

- Kernow 2x
- Tracie Smith 2x
- Scott Doherty 2x
- Gordon Clark 2x
- Andrew Bryant 1x
- Quality Street 1x
- Streets Ahead 1x
- Lumley Castle 1x
- St Cuthbert 1x
- Bob Young 1x
- Scarey 1x
- Black Diamond 1x

### **Junior boats**

Boat priority will be given to the junior learn to row programme, these boats have been found to allow young juniors the ability to progress easily from training boats to fine boats. **These boats may also be used by all club members however, within junior sessions priority will be given to those described above.**

As with club boats the club captain may from time to time place a restriction on any of these boats in order to meet the club strategic and performance aims and priorities. Committee will be informed of any such restriction and the reasoning behind the decision.

- Brian Webb 4x+
- Barbara 4x+
- Park View 2x
- Florence 2x
- Oscar 2x
- Dainty Dinah 1x
- Marcus 1x
- Mr Bob 1x