

# Dragon Boat Festival

## Sunday 22 June 2014



The Dragons will return to Shrewsbury next June. The 2013 event filled up so quickly that many teams missed out. We've opened registration early to allow those on our waiting list a chance to sign up – and to start raising funds.

Only 33 teams can take part in the Festival and places will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis on receipt of the non-refundable deposit.



To take part, recruit a team of 16-20 people who are up for the challenge of racing down the River Severn. Choose a name, register with us then start planning a fantastic day. It costs £200 to sign up and we ask each team to raise at least £1k in sponsorship – just £60 a person for an epic event, and you're helping your local Hospice at the same time.

All equipment and training will be provided on the day. You'll have your own space to set up a barbecue with friends and family, or can buy great food from our on-site caterers

Visit [www.severnhospice.org.uk](http://www.severnhospice.org.uk) to see photos from 2013 and get a feel for the fantastic atmosphere on the day, then register online or return the back page of this leaflet to Severn Hospice, Appeals Department, Bicton Heath, Shrewsbury SY3 8HS



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### CREW DECLARATION

CREW NAME.....

COMPANY NAME (if applicable).....

CREW REPRESENTATIVE ..... E MAIL.....

CONTACT ADDRESS: .....

..... Post Code: .....

Tel (day) ..... Tel (eve) .....

**CREW LIST: a maximum of 20 crew members may be registered. A maximum of 16 plus a drummer will be permitted to race at any one time. The numbers in each crew in each race will be at the absolute discretion of the Chief Official whose decision shall be final. All registered crew members will receive winners' medals if successful.**

**CREW NAMES:** (Team captain signs for the team, individual signatures are NOT required)

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I declare and sign on behalf of the crew listed above that we accept and fulfil the conditions of entry and understand that we take part entirely at our own risk. We waive any legal recourse for injury or damage to ourselves or property ensuing from our participation. We understand this does not affect the crew's statutory rights.

**Signed on behalf of crew**

.....Date.....

**Signed for and on behalf of Dragon Boat Events Ltd**

.....Date.....

**Now return to Severn Hospice, Appeals Department, Bicton Heath, Shrewsbury SY3 8HS**

**Call 01743 354 450 or email [appeals@severnospice.org.uk](mailto:appeals@severnospice.org.uk) for large print version**

# Terms and conditions

- The Dragon Boat Festival is an important fundraising event for Severn Hospice. Each team must pay a non-refundable deposit of £200 to register, then commit to raise a minimum of £1000 in sponsorship. For a team of 20 people this is just £10 each to enter and £50 in sponsorship
- Teams can consist of up to 20 people. Up to 16 people will be able to take part in each race, with a further team member acting as drummer
- Each team will take part in two races and will then progress to the finals if they have one of the fastest times on the day
- One member of the team must be nominated as Team Captain. All correspondence will be sent via this individual and they will take responsibility for ensuring that all monies are collected and paid to Severn Hospice by the due date, 30 August 2014
- Teams are encouraged to set up a sponsorship page on [www.justgiving.co.uk](http://www.justgiving.co.uk) to make raising funds easier. However, such a page must not be set up until the team's place in the event has been confirmed. Only one page can be set up per team to allow us to allocate funds correctly. The Team Captain should ensure this occurs. Any additional pages may be removed from the site
- Dragon Boat Events Ltd organise the racing on behalf of Severn Hospice. They will provide training on the day and will supply all equipment needed. Their terms and conditions of participation are included in this leaflet. Please ensure that all team members have read these carefully and accept the terms before adding their name to the form
- The minimum age for entry in this event is 12 years old. Participants under the age of 18 must be accompanied in the boat by an adult. A consent form (available from the Appeals department) must be signed by a parent or guardian and returned as part of the registration process
- Dragon Boat Racing is a physical activity and for their own safety Severn Hospice will not permit pregnant women to participate in this event
- You will need to be reasonably fit to take part in the event and must be able to swim for 50 metres while wearing a life jacket. If any team members have any doubts about their health or level of fitness they should consult their doctor before registering for the event
- Once your registration paperwork has been received at the Hospice we will send you a further pack including:
  - Sponsor forms for the whole team
  - Information on setting up a team page on Just Giving, a website that takes the pain out of collecting sponsorship
  - A form for information on the team, the organisation you represent, special occasions being celebrated on the day and other information to be used by the event commentator
  - A schedule for the day including what time to arrive, where to go and what to expect
- If you have any questions about the terms and conditions please contact the Appeals Office on 01743 354 450 or email [appeals@severnospice.org.uk](mailto:appeals@severnospice.org.uk) to discuss prior to registering your team. Returning a completed registration form and paying your £200 registration fee will be taken as your acceptance of these points. Please note, your registration fee and any sponsorship raised prior to the event will be non-refundable should you later withdraw

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## CREW INFORMATION & WAIVER

**TERMS & CONDITIONS:** Dragon Boat Events Ltd hereafter referred to as 'the Company' stages events for and on behalf of its clients throughout the UK and Europe. This event is classed as a charitable event and falls within the terms and conditions agreed with and accepted by the client. A copy of these terms and conditions is available for scrutiny by post (on receipt of a cheque for £15.00 made payable to Dragon Boat Events Ltd) to cover admin, postage and packing.

**INSURANCE:** The Company complies with all industry standards and is covered for insurance purposes whilst staging its events and activities by QBE Commercial Combined General Insurance, Policy number GK0656002 applies. Cover is as follows – Public Liability £5 million, Employers Liability £10 million. Cover is reviewed continually and conforms to the industry standard for the events and activities undertaken by the Company. The Company is also accredited by the Adventure Activities Licensing Authority for the provision of Dragon Boat Racing to persons under the age of 18. Copies of the certificates and schedules of cover are available for scrutiny by post on receipt of a cheque for £15 made payable to The Organisation Ltd to cover admin, postage and packing.

**CREW CONTRACT & WAIVER:** In signing this 'crew contract' the team captain of the crew listed here agrees on behalf of the team to the conditions of entry as listed in the company's client contract. Notwithstanding any of these conditions, the crew's statutory rights are not affected.

The crew certifies that:

- (a) All crew members are confident in water, and can swim unaided for a minimum distance of 50 metres whilst wearing a personal flotation device (buoyancy aid supplied by the 'Company'),
- (b) Crew members with disabilities have signed a separate waiver, and have satisfied The Promoters, Severn Hospice, that they are able to sit unaided in the boat, be capable of communicating with and or obeying instructions given by the Company's representatives both on and off the water and are confident in water whilst wearing a personal flotation device. There is no absolute requirement for such people to be able to swim 50 metres. In all cases a person with disabilities must be escorted by an able bodied helper (buddy) who will be briefed as to their duties whilst on the water. An additional charge may be levied for the supply of a trained member of the event team to act as a personal buddy.
- (c) The crew accepts that in the interests of safety, the Company has the absolute right to remove a whole crew or individuals within that crew from a race or races, if he/she or they are deemed to be unfit to race, or if weather conditions or other safety factors affecting the water conditions warrant such action.
- (d) There will be no reduction or reimbursement of fees for crews of less than 16 and a drummer, or in the case of a crewmember being removed from a race or races for any reason(s).
- (e) The crew undertakes to abide by the race rules as may be periodically amended. A copy of which is available for inspection in the event control vehicle.
- (f) **DECLARATION OF FITNESS TO COMPETE:** Crew members are required to declare to the Organisers (prior to commencement of the event) if they (a) suffer from chest pains or shortness of breath (b) if they have been told by their Doctor that they have heart trouble (c) they have been told that their blood pressure is too high or too low (d) they have had fainting or dizzy spells (e) they have undergone a recent operation (f) they suffer from bone or joint problems ie arthritis, spinal injury etc (g) any other reason why they should not participate in an exercise programme which in the case of Dragon Boat Racing should not exceed 5 minutes of active aerobic exercise per race. This list is not exhaustive. If you are in any doubt about your fitness to compete, you must ask the Company's representative prior to undertaking the training and race programme