



5th IDBF CLUB CREW WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

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INFORMATION BULLETIN NO. 3

To: All IDBF Member Associations and IDBF Member Association Club Crews

Welcome to Information Bulletin No. 3 from the Organizing Committee of the 5th IDBF Club Crew World Championships (“CCWC”).

With just over two months to go, entries have been received from 384 crews representing clubs from 15 countries. For updates and information on registered teams, please see our website at www.2006ccwc.com.

IMPORTANT

Accommodations

To take advantage of the special rates offered at CCWC official event hotels, reservations must be completed before June 30, 2006. Please visit the CCWC website for further information:
www.2006ccwc.com/accommodations.html.

The Organizing Committee will be releasing its blocks of rooms on June 30. After June 30, accommodations at official event hotels will be at the rates then charged by the individual hotels.

The CCWC takes place during the height of tourist season in Toronto with many cultural and other events taking place at the same time and accommodations can be difficult to obtain. Crews are advised to make their accommodation arrangements as early as possible.

Registration

Named Entries

Crew named entries are to be completed by online registration at www.2006ccwc.com/registration.html. Access to the online registration system is password protected. Passwords will be distributed to crew contacts of record on June 8, 2006. If you do not receive your password or encounter any difficulties while registering online, please contact Scott Seaby at onlinereg@2006ccwc.com with your club/crew name and questions.

Crews that are unable to use the online named entry registration process may submit their named registrations by named registration form which can be found at www.2006ccwc.com/registration.html.
Named registration forms are to be sent to:

Events Alive Inc.
314 Parkin Circle
Ottawa ON K1T 4G6 Canada
Attention: Scott Seaby

All named entries are to be submitted to the Organizing Committee no later than June 30, 2006.

Photographs

Each club crew is required to submit photos of all athletes, officials (including coaches, managers and medics) and those supporters wishing accreditation.

It is preferred that photos be submitted in electronic format; however, photos in hardcopy format will also be accepted – two copies required.

Photos are to be passport style and size (approximately **3.5 cm by 4.5 cm (revised June 19, 2006)**, black and white or colour, head and shoulders only, forward facing with minimal shadowing, face clearly visible with no sunglasses, hats or hair covering face).

All photos are to be submitted in one format or the other (electronic **OR** hardcopy) not a combination of the two. **ALL** photos are to be submitted at the same time.

Electronic photos are to be submitted in medium-quality JPEG format (no larger than 150 KB) correctly sized in accordance with the dimensions specified above. To ensure that electronic photos reproduce well when saved to JPEG format, please set the camera at the highest quality resolution.

Individual electronic photos are to be saved using the Personal Identification Number (“PIN”) that will be assigned to each registrant during the online named registration process (e.g., 5-22.jpg). Electronic photos are to be e-mailed as attachments to an e-mail with the “Crew PIN” (which will also be assigned during the named registration process) and the club name in the subject line.

E-mails containing electronic photos are to be sent to: photos@2006CCWC.com.

Hardcopy photos are to be submitted with the registrant’s PIN and name (last name, first name) clearly printed on the reverse of each photo. Hardcopy photos are to be sent by first class mail or courier to:

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Payments

All outstanding payments, including administration/accreditation, airport shuttle service fees, watercourse shuttle service fees, race-day meal service and Celebration Party tickets, are required to be paid to the Organizing Committee no later than June 30, 2006. Information for delivery of all payments is available in Information Bulletins Nos.1 and 2 posted on the official website: www.2006ccwc.com.

Crew Registration Packages

Crew registration packages will be available at the watercourse during practise sessions. If a crew will not be attending any practice sessions, please contact the Organizing Committee to make alternate arrangements to receive the registration package. The crew registration packages will be issued to person who is the crew contact of record or a person authorized in writing by the crew contact of record.

Race Schedule

A tentative race schedule has been posted to the CCWC website, although it is subject to changes. The Organizing Committee intends to have the final race schedule posted to the CCWC website by July 10, 2006.

Shuttle Services, Race Day Meals

Shuttle Services, Race Day Meals and Practise Sessions

Please see Information Bulletin No. 2 for information and booking forms relating to airport shuttle service, watercourse shuttle service, race day breakfasts and lunches and practise sessions.

For crews making their own accommodations and transportation arrangements, please be advised that races will not be delayed for late arrivals. Please allow sufficient time to arrive at the watercourse.

Venue and Watercourse

All racing will be done on Toronto's newly-developed Western Beaches Watercourse. Located off Marilyn Bell Park, this paddlesport facility complies with IDBF CCWC standards. For more details and to view the course, please visit <http://www.2006ccwc.com/venue.html>.

Parking

Parking for private vehicles is located within a two kilometer radius of the watercourse. The closest locations include Ontario Place and the grounds of the Canadian National Exhibition Grounds (close to the Dufferin Gates). Costs and availability are set by the private operators of the parking lots.

Public Transportation

The Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) and GO Transit operate public transportation to within approximately 1.5 kilometres of the watercourse.

The closest TTC routes to the watercourse are (i) the 511 streetcar service originating from the Bathurst subway station, (ii) the 509 streetcar service originating from Union subway station, and (iii) the 22 bus service originating from the Dufferin subway station. All of the above services terminate at the Canadian National Exhibition grounds, approximately 1 kilometre from the watercourse. For further information on TTC routes, schedules and fares, please visit: <http://www.toronto.ca>.

The closest GO Transit train station to the watercourse is Exhibition (on the Lakeshore West route), located on Manitoba Drive under the Gardiner Expressway. For further information on GO Transit routes, schedules and fares, please visit: <http://www.gotransit.com/publicroot/home.htm>.

The Organizing Committee is investigating opportunities to provide more direct public transportation access to the watercourse. Please check the CCWC website for up-to-date information.

On-Site Services

An athletes village will be constructed onsite. Only persons with official accreditation will be granted access to the athletes village. Each club will be assigned a club tent within the athletes village. The race day lunch service will be sited within the athletes village and eating areas will be available. Private food vendors will also be on site for anyone wishing to purchase food and refreshments.

First aid services will be available on site. Please see “Medical Support” below for further information.

Opening and Closing Ceremonies

The Opening Ceremony will take place on the evening of Thursday, August 10 at approximately 7:30 p.m. at Nathan Phillips Square (Toronto City Hall), located at the northwest corner of Queen Street West and Bay Street. Nathan Phillips Square is within walking distance (between 400 to 1200 metres) of CCWC official event hotels.

The Closing Ceremony will take place after the last race on Sunday, August 13, approximately 30 minutes after the last medals presentation.

Celebration Party

A Celebration Party will be held following completion of all races on Sunday, August 13 commencing at approximately 7:30 p.m. (subject to completion of all races). Admission is by ticket only (\$50 each) purchased in advance. It will feature a full buffet and entertainment with dancing. Further information, including the location, will be published in Bulletin No. 4.

IDBF Race Officials Examination

An IDBF Race Officials Examination will be held at the Watercourse before the CCWC on [**Wednesday, August 9**], 2006. The exact time is to be determined.

IDBF Member Associations are asked to submit the name of any national race official who is interested in taking the examination or who wishes to be assessed for their Grade 2 or 3 Official’s ticket to the IDBF Race Officials Secretariat (ROS) Adjudicator: Bryan Hartley (bryanhartley@tiscali.co.uk) on the application form accompanying this Information Bulletin.

Medical and Personal

Medical Support

The Organizing Committee will be providing a full emergency medical service on site. There will be paramedics and an emergency ambulance standing by on site throughout the races. In addition to the paramedic and ambulance service, first aid service will be on site to handle minor medical matters.

Participants and Team Leaders Declaration, Release and Indemnity (Waiver)

All participants must complete a Participant's Declaration, Release and Indemnity, a copy of which can be obtained at www.2006ccwc.com/registration.html. Note that there are different forms for those over 18 years of age and those 18 or under.

Crew leaders are responsible for coordinating the completion of these forms by their respective crews. Completed crew forms are to be submitted at the time crew leaders pick up crew registration packages (please see "Crew Registration Packages" above for further information). Accreditation will be withheld for any participant for whom a completed form is not submitted.

Anti-Doping Tests

Anti-doping tests may be carried out on members of club crews competing at the CCWC. Tests will be conducted in accordance with the IDBF Anti-Doping Policy and in line with the procedures recommended by the World Anti-Doping Agency. Competitors will be selected for random drug testing by their PIN.

Identification Checks

Random identification checks will be carried out on competitors during the CCWC by race officials to ensure that only those competitors shown on the Named Team Entry List are competing. Identification cards, with the photograph of the person concerned and endorsed with a PIN must be worn at all times.

Technical Matters

Crew Lists

A crew list showing all competitors who will be racing in a particular competition class is to be submitted by the crew leader or manager to the chief official at each team leaders meeting on the evening before the day in which the competition takes place. A crew list will be published in a future Information Bulletin.

The person signing the crew list is confirming to the chief official that all the competitors shown on the list are "Fit to Race". This means not just the physical ability of the competitors to undertake the race concerned but that there are no known medical reasons why any of the competitors listed should not compete during any part of the CCWC.

Club Crews

Club crew officials and competitors are reminded that the IDBF Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing (Edition No. 4) state that: “In IDBF Championships for Club Crews a Racer can only represent one Dragon Boat Crew.” (Reg. 4.3)

Double Rostering

Crews are advised that while it is possible under the Competition Regulations for competitors in the CCWC to race in more than one racing class—for example, women or open and mixed, senior, premier and/or junior—provided the crews are from the same club, this form of “double rostering” is not encouraged. Allowances will not be made in the race program for any competitors who are double rostered in any competition classes, with the exception of mixed classes. Crews with double rostered competitors are advised that in the event of back-to-back racing, race officials will not delay races or make any extra time allowances.

Start Video and Photo Finish

A fixed video camera will be placed in the starting area which will record all starts and assist race officials in determining that drummers are complying correctly with the starting procedures. The camera will also be used to help identify false starts. A fixed camera will be used at the finish to record all boats as they cross the finish line.

IDBF Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing

Club crew officials and competitors are advised to familiarize themselves with IDBF Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing in effect at the CCWC, which may be found at:
http://www.idbf.org/5_1_IDBF_Comp_Regs_06.pdf.

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