Aberdeen Fours and Small Boats of the River

24th & 25th October 2026

High tides: Saturday 12:55 Sunday 12:31

RULES

(1) **Time Penalties**

(a) Crews must be clear of the jetty at least 15 minutes before the start of their division.

(b) Crews must be downstream of the QE Bridge at least 10 minutes before the start of their division.

Any crew breaching either of these rules will be awarded a 15 second time penalty at the end of the race. If both rules are broken, a 30 second time penalty will apply. ***The launching area will be busy, and it is your responsibility to allow for this***.

(2) All clubs must collect their pack of bow slot numbers and disposable paper numbers (to be visible on back of bow when racing) from race control at the ABC Boathouse before racing. Clubs will be charged £5 (each) for any bow-slot number not returned. Any scratchings or crew-changes must be notified in writing to race control.

(3) Crews will gather in order on the City Bank above the Victoria Bridge with ***the lowest numbers downstream, nearest the bridge***. Boats should normally marshal with bows pointing downstream.

(4) On the order from the marshal, all crews will strip off and then move down through the Victoria Bridge. Be ready to race as soon as you start moving.

(5) On command, crews will turn round the moored starting launch by pulling harder on stroke side and holding on bow side. ***Make a tight turn rather than spinning***.

(6) **The southernmost (Boathouse) arch of the QE Bridge is out of bounds.**
The northernmost (City) arch of the Railway Bridge is out of bounds.
The northernmost (City) arch of the King George VI Bridge is out of bounds

(7) **Crews being overtaken must give way to faster crews and move to the outside of bends.**

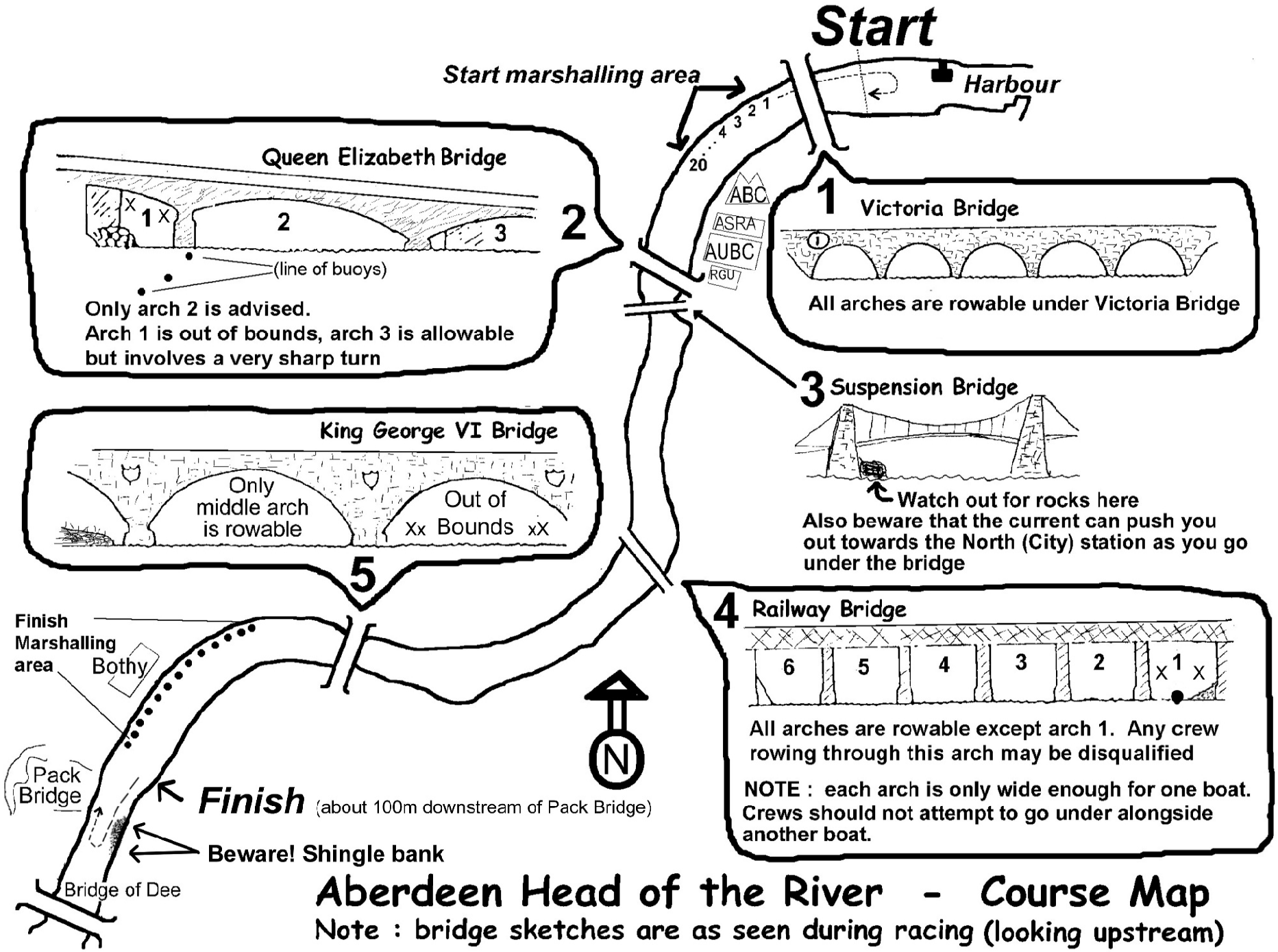
(8) At the end of the race, all crews must finish near the South (Boathouse) side of the river. They must then move to the marshalling area on the North (City) side of the river.
For safety reasons, **crews will only be allowed downstream of the King George VI Bridge (KG6) when instructed by the marshals. Any crew breaking this rule may be liable for disqualification.** All competitors must wait until the last crew and safety launch has passed upstream of the KG6 Bridge before being allowed downstream so take warm clothes with you in the boat.

(9) Masters events will be handicapped according to standard tables.
Any crew which is disqualified will not be informed of their time.

(10) The race will be held under the rules of *Scottish Rowing*.

(11) This year, due to tidal restrictions, the race will finish about 100m downstream of the Pack Bridge (slightly shorter course). This is due to a **developing shingle bank** at the traditional finish on boathouse side. **Do not hug the inside of the bend at this point.**

Results will be published on **https://cofd.co.uk**



Aberdeen Head of the River - Course Map

Note : bridge sketches are as seen during racing (looking upstream)

Aberdeen Head of the River Race

Division 1 11:45

Crew No.	Event	Club	Stroke Name	Mas Status
1	Champ 4-	ABC	Wheeler	
2	Champ 4-	ASRA	Smith	
3	W Champ 4x	AUBC	Aspinall	
4	W Champ 4x	ASRA	Meakins	
5	W Champ 4x	DUBC	Dunlop	
6	W Champ 4x	AUBC	Bing	
7	W Champ 4x	ABC	Bain	C
8	R2 4+	ABC	Le Maitre	
9	R2 4+	ABC	Proctor	
10	J16 4+	ASRA	Johnston	
11	J16 4+	ASRA	Khan	
12	J15 4x+	ASRA	Zeng	
13	J15 4x+	ASRA	Anderson	
14	Mas 4+ (D-G)	ABC	Meakins	D
15	Mas 4+ (D-G)	ABC	Wallace	G
16	Mas 4+ (A-C)	ABC	Wilcock	A
17	Mas 4+ (A-C)	ABC	Gundersen	C
18	W R2 4x+	ASRA	Calderwood	
19	W R2 4x+	ABC	Tarvide	
20	Nov 4x+	DUBC	Ramsay	
21	Nov 4x+	AUBC	Slinger	
22	W Nov 4+	ABC	Henry	
23	W Nov 4+	DUBC	Anderson	
24	W Nov 4+	UStABC	Armstrong	
25	W Nov 4+	ASRA	Winter	
26	W Nov 4+	ABC	Keith	
27	W Nov 4+	AUBC/RGUBC	Wilson	
28	W Nov 4+	ASRA	MacLennan	
29	W Nov 4+	Tay	Malloch	D
30	TO 4+	UStABC	Freer	
31	W J14 4x+	ASRA	Othman-Wilson	

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Division 2 13:15 (v2)

Crew No.	Event	Club	Stroke Name	Mas Status
51	Champ 4x	ASRA	Smith	
52	Champ 4x	ABC	Zbikowski	
53	Champ 4x	ASRA	Johnston	
54	Champ 4+	ABC	Macdonald	
56	Mas 4x	ABC	Hughson	D
57	Mas 4x	ABC/ASRA	Calderwood	E
58	W Champ 4-	AUBC	Zhang	
59	W Champ 4-	ASRA	Meakins	
60	R2 4x+	AUBC	May	
61	W R2 4+	ABC	Tinch	
62	W R2 4+	AUBC	Spalding	
63	W R2 4+	ABC	Moffat	
64	W R2 4+	ABC	Donald	D
65	Nov 4+	UStABC	Barthel	
66	Nov 4+	ASRA	Zeng	
67	Nov 4+	ABC	Wilcock	
68	Nov 4+	ASRA	Johnson	
55	Nov 4+	DUBC	Walker	
69	Mas Nov 4+	ABC	Gundersen	C
70	Mas Nov 4+	Tay	Adams	B
71	J14 4x+	ASRA	Martin	
72	J14 4x+	ASRA	Currie	
73	W Nov 4x+	ABC	Gibb	
74	W Nov 4x+	DUBC	Brincat	
75	W Nov 4x+	UStABC	Timar	
76	W Nov 4x+	ASRA	Hendry	
77	W J15 4x+	ASRA	DeKock	
78	W J15 4x+	ASRA	MacLennan	