Liege University Bicentennial Rowing Race

Oct. 29th 2017

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**General Information**

The University of Liège has the pleasure of inviting you to the **bicentennial rowing race** organized on the Meuse River in the centre of Liège on Sunday October 29th.

This year 2017 marks the 200th anniversary of the Universities of Liège and Ghent.

The race gathers those two universities, the Euregional Universities of Aachen, Maastricht and Hasselt, and universities of the so called “Grande Région, ...”

The rowers must be students and / or staff.

The clubhouse is located in the **Parc de la Boverie** in Liège which is easily reachable from the Liège-Guillemins railway station (500m).

**Rowing Race**

The event consists in:

- in the morning, a **1000 meters time trial** on the so called Derivation (a part of the Meuse river) in 8+
- in the afternoon, **side by side semi-finals and final** on the Meuse River

**Two categories** are considered:

- 8+ mixed (4 women + 4 men) boat
- 8+ men’s boat

**Program**

**11:00**
Welcome in the clubhouse of RCAE AVIRON, rowing club of the University of Liège, briefing and presentation of the teams by the captains

**11:30**
1000 meters time trials

**12:00**
Lunch offered to the rowing teams and the official representatives in the clubhouse of RCAE AVIRON.

**14:00**
Semi-finals on 500 meters on the Meuse River

**15:00:**
Finals on 500 meters on the Meuse River

**16:00**
Rowing Award Ceremony

**Fan Clubs**

Supporters are not forgotten. They can indeed easily follow the (semi-)finals by **bike** (on the RAVeL path) and encourage their preferred boats from the start to the arrival or support their favourite from the new **footbridge “La Belle Liégeoise”**, which crosses the Meuse River in front of our clubhouse
**Traffic Rules**

**TRAINING**

Teams will train only on the so-called Derivation River. (starboard side must be kept).

**THE TIME TRIAL**

The 1000 meters time trial is organized on the Derivation River on the other side of the Parc de la Boverie.

Boats will row upstream in the starboard side of the river.

The 1000 meters time trial will allow to rank the teams: as a result, race groups of 4 boats are defined.

In each group, there will be two semi-finals and two finals.

Every boat will participate to a semi-final and a final (semi-final A will gather the first and the last of the group and semi-final B will gather the second and the third of the group).

Final A and final B with respectively the winners and the seconds of the semi-finals.

If there are less than four boats in the last group, all the boats will row together the semi-finals and the finals.

One point is given to the winner of each race. If two teams are equal, an advantage is given to the team who was faster during the time trial.

**SEMI-FINALS AND FINALS**

500 meters side-by-side races on the Meuse with arrival just after the footbridge in front of the clubhouse.
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