

Safety Audit 2024/25 - I names Upper

Response ID:28 Data

2. Rowing Safety Audit 2024/25 | Club Information

1. Club Name

Falcon Boat Club

2. Name of person authorised by the club to accurately complete this audit

Claire Parker

3. Position in your club

Rowing Water Safety Advisor

4. Your email address

Note: This field must be filled in order to receive a PDF copy of this survey

claire.parker99@icloud.com

5. Is your club a Non-Rowing club i.e. you do not row at all?

A Non Rowing club is a club that doesn't Row on the water – a non rowing could for example can be a gym using ergos.

No

6. Does your club operate under the safety plans, safety rules and Rowing Safety Adviser of another (host) club? If so, please select the club in the list below.

If your club operates under its own safety plans, safety rules and Rowing Safety Adviser, please select 'No' from the list below.

Note: Please do not select your own club from the list

No

7. Do you host any club(s) e.g. University / Corporate / Racing Name / Alumni who operate under your club's safety plans safety rules and your Club Rowing Safety Adviser? If so please state the name(s) of these clubs. If not, then please choose 'None of them' from the list.

Note: If you host more than one club, write down the full club name(s) in the comment box below.

None of them

8. If you host multiple clubs that operate under your club's safety plans, safety rules and your Club Rowing Safety Adviser then please input the names of the clubs below.

Note: If this is not applicable then input N/A and continue

9. Do you host any club(s) e.g. University / Corporate / Racing Name / Alumni who do not operate under your safety plans safety rules or Club Rowing Safety Adviser. Please state the name(s). If not, then please choose 'None of them' from the

list.

Note: If you host more than one club, write down the full club name(s) in the comment box below.

None of them

10. If you host multiple clubs that do not operate under your club's safety plans, safety rules and your Club Rowing Safety Adviser then please input the names of the clubs below.

Note: If this is not applicable then input N/A and continue

3. Rowing Safety Audit 2024/25 | Club Rowing Safety Adviser Contact Details

11. Please provide the name of your Club Rowing Safety Adviser

Note: if you are a student these details should be your university term-time details.

Claire Parker

12. Please provide the email address of your Club Rowing Safety Adviser

claire.parker99@icloud.com

13. Please provide the contact number of your Club Rowing Safety Adviser

07971621370

14. Is the Club Rowing Safety Adviser information for your club listed within Clubhub

Yes

15. Please provide the name of your Deputy Club Rowing Safety Adviser

John Hill

16. Please provide the email address of your Deputy Club Rowing Safety Adviser

oxfordrowcoach@gmail.com

17. Please provide a contact number for your Deputy Club Rowing Safety Adviser

07946419711

4. Rowing Safety Audit 2024/25 | Document evidence

18. As part of the Safety Audit process we ask clubs to upload relevant documented evidence into their Google Drive.

Guidance on the Google Drive can be viewed [here](#), this includes guidance on how to obtain a link to your clubs Google

Drive if you do not currently have access to it.

Note: Hosted Club uploads Host documentation used, no reason why Hosted Club should not have the documented evidence of their activity.

The documents that need to be uploaded(if applicable) are as follows:

Safety Policy

Club Safety Plan

Emergency Response Plan

Risk Assessments for Club Activities

Risk Assessments for Training Camps(if applicable)

Any other relevant supporting evidence(if applicable)

Note: The Google drive is a useful depository for Club Safety Documentation accessible by current and future CRSA's, being amongst other things a club library and aid to CRSA succession.

Please tick below to confirm that the documents relevant to your club have been added to your Clubs Google Drive.

I can confirm that the relevant documents have been uploaded into our clubs Google Drive

5. Rowing Safety Audit 2024/25 | Main body of questions

19. How does your club ensure new and existing members are aware of the Club Safety Rules?

(RowSafe Sections 1 / 2)

Please select the the following method(s) that your club uses:

Induction

Website

Noticeboard

Membership Form

If other please specify in the box below:

See club activity and safety handbook V 2.7 June 2024 for details. Plus regular email updates.

20. Which agency manages the water on which the club rows?

(RowSafe Sections 5 / 9)

Please select the agency that applies below:

EA

If other please specify in the box below:

21. How does the club liaise with other water users eg Boaters / Wild Swimmers / Paddle Boarders / Fishermen / Canoeists

(RowSafe Sections 2 / 9)

Please select the the following method(s) that your club uses:

User Forum
Meetings

If other please specify in the box below:

22. How does your club manage the provision of first aid?

(RowSafe Sections 2 / 3 / 4 / 6 / 7 / 8 / 11 / 12)

Please select the the following method(s) that your club uses:

Training
Kit always on Site
Published First Aider List

If other please specify in the box below:

See club activity and safety handbook V 2.7 June 2024 for details.

23. Where is the nearest available defibrillator to the club's premise?

(RowSafe Sections 4 / 8)

In club

24. How many incident reports have been submitted by your club in 2024?

(RowSafe Sections 1 / 2 / 3 / 4 / 5 / 7 / 8 / 9 / 11 / 12 / 13)

12 incidents plus one reported by another club involving our club between 2/10/23-1/10/24.

25. From your review of incident reports submitted what are the club's three areas of greatest concern?

1)

Communication with coaches and club members re flag changes and severe weather impacting on events happening or not.

2)

Navigation in the narrow stretch of the river (the gut) and collisions / near collisions occurring at the entry/exit to the gut.

3)

Spinning near to Falcon boat house, and Longbridges in the face of crews coming at pace up / downstream past these points. Once incident occurred during a regatta in the warm up zone.

26. What action/s has the club taken to address these areas of concern?

1)

Despite 6 months red flag (with little or no rowing), there were 12 incidents reported this year vs 11 last year, so an improvement in reporting culture across the club. All incidents have been reported to the rowing committee for the past 2 years and discussed at the committee. A FLAG /event what's app group for captain VC, WSA, senior coaches, has been set up to discuss flag changes and event go/no go in changing weather and water conditions.

2)

Captain has reminded members of the need to allow 2 boat lengths out of the gut before overtaking, and not overtake in

the gut section. Club Activity and Safety handbook updated with this information.

3)

Captain has reminded members to be cautious when spinning near to the boat house and at Longbridges; crews rowing down/up stream take precedence. Alert oncoming crews to the spinning crew presence. Meeting with other clubs using the river to be arranged to agree these principles, including the regatta organisers to alert racers to river users spinning outside Falcon boat club.

27. How does the club ensure that life jackets are maintained in a safe condition?

(RowSafe Section 7)

Please select the the following method(s) that your club uses:

Boatman

If other please specify in the box below:

Annual service of all life jackets.

28. How does the club assess the competence of coxes and steers persons?

(RowSafe Section 5)

Please select the the following method(s) that your club uses:

Assessment

Staged Intro (Practical)

Sign Off

If other please specify in the box below:

See club activity and safety handbook V 2.7 June 2024 for details of assessment programme for coxes and bow steers introduced in 2023.

29. How does you club ensure members' competence and confidence in the water?

(RowSafe Section 3)

Please select the the following method(s) that your club uses:

Capsize Test

Membership Form

Assessment

Online

If other please specify in the box below:

See club activity and safety handbook V 2.7 June 2024 for details. All members sign to confirm their swim ability, and undertake capsize test (practical and online) within 6 months of joining if not already undertaken. 1 year ago we added the question:Float unaided for at least five minutes to the membership form. All juniors undertake an on river swim, capsize and float test during the summer junior course.

30. How does the club ensure the competence of launch drivers?

(RowSafe Section 5)

Please select the the following method(s) that your club uses:

RYA Training

If other please specify in the box below:

See club activity and safety handbook V 2.7 June 2024 for details. Must have RYA level 2 to drive launch.

31. How does your club manage the safe transporting of boats on trailers?

(RowSafe Section 7)

Please select the following method(s) that your club uses:

Nose Weight Check

Trailer Servicing

Double Ties

Check List

If other please specify below:

See club activity and safety handbook V 2.7 June 2024 for details and FAQ section of FBC website.

32. How does the club manage the maintenance of rowing machines and other gym equipment?

(RowSafe Section 11)

Please select the following method(s) that your club uses:

Club member

Quarantine

Member behaviour

If other please specify below:

33. How does the club manage the maintenance of boats and blades?

(RowSafe Section 7)

Please select the following method(s) that your club uses:

Boatman

3rd Party

Quarantine

Member behaviour

If other please specify below:

34. How does your club manage concerns with Water Quality and Invasive species?

Please select all that are relevant

Storm Water (Weather)

If other, please specify below / free space for additional information

We advise caution and cancel planned activities such as on river capsizing drills or junior swimming tests following storm water surges. We use alerts from SSRS app for local river sewage contamination issues.

35. Does your club manage Antisocial behaviour towards its members?

Please select all that are relevant

On water

If other, please specify below / Free space for additional information

We have not had to report antisocial behaviour to the police, but would do so if it were an issue.

36. Has the CRSA / Dept CRSA completed the Advanced Risk Assessment training?

Yes

37. Does your club use an area of water upstream of a weir / sluice or anything else that a rower could be drawn into?

Please select all that are relevant

Weir

If other, please specify below / Free space for additional information

Iffley lock weir at the downstream end of our rowing area (it is about 0.6 km from the boat house).

38. Please identify the location of the draw off

Please select all that are relevant

If other, please specify below / Free space for additional information

There are large danger signs and posts with a chain barrier to prevent people rowing into the 50m stretch of river leading to the weir which lies to the left of the lock going downstream.

39. Do you have constructions in place to prevent rowers from being swept under, into or over?

Please select all that are relevant

Cable

If other, please specify below / Free space for additional information

When the river is at red flag, we advise turning further upstream away from the entry to the weir stream outlined above. We limit crews who can row to those who are all highly experienced if Red flag. At very high flow rates in red flag conditions, the captain must approve any outing to extremely limited very highly experienced crews with good reasons for going out.

40. Are there any signs that can be seen by rowers near the draw off?

Please select all that are relevant

Markers

Signs

If other, please specify below / Free space for additional information

As above. Q38

41. Is the draw-off hazard/s included in the clubs' risk assessment and safety plans?

Please select all that are relevant

Yes

If other, please specify below / Free space for additional information

42. Please use the box below to input any information that you believe relevant to your audit that hasn't been covered via the above questions - if you have nothing additional to input then please write N/A and finish the survey.

N/A

6. Rowing Safety Audit 2024/25 | Thank You!

Confirmation Email - RRSA + BR

Oct 15, 2024 05:10:29 Success: Email Sent to: clubs@britishrowing.org,safetyadvisor@thames-rrc.org

Confirmation Email - Club

Oct 15, 2024 05:10:30 Success: Email Sent to: claire.parker99@icloud.com