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## **HWR 2024: Regatta Timetable and Traffic Management**

Preparations are now in full swing for the 36<sup>th</sup> running of Henley Women's Regatta and we are very much looking forward to welcoming you to this three day celebration of women's rowing at its best, here on the Henley Reach.

HWR would not be possible without the continued support of The Copas Partnership, our benevolent landlord. Each year we work together to establish the infrastructure on what is a green field site for the rest of the year, to host this regatta, now attracting over 2,200 competitors from all over the world.

We also remain perennially grateful to our neighbours, the residents of Remenham village, who adjust their routines to accommodate the influx of visitors to the area both in the days building up to and during our event.

One of our first annual tasks in preparing for HWR is to make an application to Wokingham Borough Council (WBC) to run the event. This application is reviewed by WBC's Safety Advisory Group to ensure measures are put in place so that the event can go ahead safely.

Traffic management is a key part of this review; to maintain traffic flows without detriment to the safety of the local community, for example checking that there is no risk of hindering access for emergency vehicles.

In parallel, The Copas Partnership have obligations to fulfil with WBC and the local community, under their own Events Licence, not only for HWR but all events that they host on Remenham Farm, and these include nuisance and noise levels, in particularly between the hours of 23.00 hrs and 09.00 hrs.

**Any incidents that either question the safety of our current traffic management measures or create nuisance or excessive noise for the local community put the future of the regatta and the ability for The Copas Partnership to host future events at risk.**

To help alleviate nuisance the car park will open at the following times

Table 1 – Car Park Opening Times and Approximate Race Schedule

	<b>Car Park Opening Time</b>	<b>Gates Locked</b>	<b>Approximate Race Schedule</b>
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	09.00 hrs	21.00 hrs	
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	08.00 hrs	21.00 hrs	10.00 to 19.30 hrs
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	08.00 hrs	21.00 hrs	09.20 to 19.30 hrs
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	08.00 hrs	21.00 hrs	09.15 to 17.40 hrs



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It is imperative that crews do NOT arrive ahead of gate opening times, and risk creating traffic problems in the narrow lanes in Remenham village.

Our parking team will work hard to bring vehicles into site as quickly as possible, but to avoid queues on racing days we urge you to pre-book car parking and trailer spaces, please see link below:

<https://henleyregatta.com/henley-womens-regatta/>

Booking your parking ahead will also enable you to take advantage of early bird prices (until 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2024).

Please note, if the 2024 entry is similar in total number and composition by event structure to the 2023 entry, then we can fit racing into these timescales with the same number of crews qualifying from the time trials. If the composition of the entry by event changes, compared with last year, then we may need to reduce the number of crews qualifying.

**There is no parking available in Remenham Lane, Remenham Church Lane, Remenham village or Aston Lane for those attending HWR at any time. You must park in the designated HWR car park, via Gate A.**

Compliance with parking requirements is a condition of entry. Any club whose competitors / coaches / supporters fail to adhere to the parking requirements will be excluded from the 2024 regatta and may be excluded from future regattas.

Please see <https://hwr.org.uk/travel-parking/> for more information.

We trust that by advising you in advance of the situation you will be able to plan ahead and work with us to ensure a smooth running of HWR and allow us all to focus on the rowing.

**Naomi Ashcroft**  
HWR Chairman

**Tanya Copas**  
The Copas Partnership