



Bill Alley Memorial
2011 LOTUS DRAGON BOAT REGATTA

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General Regatta Information

The **Lotus Sports Club** invites dragon boat teams and supporters to join us in welcoming the dragon boat season with the **2011 Lotus Dragon Boat Regatta**. This fun local race is held on the waters of Indian Arm in Burnaby. The **Lotus Sports Club** looks forward to hosting new and returning dragon boat teams at its 14th annual dragon boat race.

Regatta Date: **Saturday, May 7, 2011**

Location: Barnet Marine Park in Burnaby.

Registration Deadline: **Friday, April 15, 2011**

Early Bird Deadline: **Friday, March 18, 2011**



Regatta Features

- Each team will participate in at least four races
- Awards for division race winners and challenge race winners
- On-site team photos
- On-site concession
- Gift for every team

Registration Instructions

1. Complete one registration form per team.
2. Submit the completed registration form by one of these options:
 - E-Mail to gmorisee@shaw.ca
 - FAX to **(604) 939-3539**
 - Mail to the address below.

Note: The team manager will receive a confirmation email once Lotus has received the completed form to confirm registration.

3. Mail registration payment to:

Bill Alley Memorial Dragon Boat Race
c/o 1307 Bayview Square
Coquitlam, BC
V3J 5M6

Signed waivers may be mailed to the above address or submitted on race day by 8am.

Race Contacts

- Jamie Westell jwestell@gmail.com
- Jane Yeoh janecyeoh@gmail.com
- Grace Morissette gmorisee@shaw.ca

Divisions and Awards

Teams are sorted into four divisions (Gold, Silver, Bronze and Jade divisions) during Round 1 and Round 2. Awards are given to the winners of Round 3 (Gold, Silver, Bronze and Jade division final races) and Round 4 (Mixed Adult, Women, Golden Masters and Junior categories). All teams will have the opportunity to participate in four rounds of races.

Round 1 Preliminary Race

Round 2 Semi-Final Race

Round 3 Division Final Race (Gold, Silver, Bronze and Jade divisions)

Round 4 Challenge races

Division awards

- 1st Place Gold Division Final Award (Bill Alley Cup)
- 1st Place Silver Division Final Award
- 1st Place Bronze Division Final Award
- 1st Place Jade Division Final Award

Challenge race categories and awards:

- Mixed Adult Challenge Award
- Women's Challenge Award
- Golden Masters Challenge Award
- Junior Challenge Award

Divisions and awards are subject to change, depending on the teams registered.



Sample Schedule of Events

Below is the Schedule of Events from a previous year's regatta. The 2011 regatta schedule will be posted on the website, www.lotussports.com, by April 30, 2011. Team managers (or contact person) will be notified when the race schedule is posted.

<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
8:00 AM	Manager's Meeting and Check-in

ROUND 1

9:00 AM	Race 1
9:20 AM	Race 2
9:40 AM	Race 3
10:00 AM	Race 4

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ROUND 2

10:45 AM	Race 5
11:00 AM	Race 6
11:15 AM	Race 7
11:30 AM	Race 8

----- **BREAK** -----

ROUND 3 (Division Finals)

12:15 PM	Race 9 (Jade Final)
12:30 PM	Race 10 (Bronze Final)
12:45 PM	Race 11 (Silver Final)
1:00 PM	Race 12 (Gold Final)

ROUND 4 (Challenge Finals)

1:30 PM	Junior Division Challenge
1:45 PM	Women's Division Challenge
2:00 PM	Senior Masters Division Challenge
2:15 PM	Mixed Adult B Division Challenge
2:30 PM	Mixed Adult A Division Challenge

3:00 PM	Trophy Presentations
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Managers Meeting

ALL TEAM MANAGERS: **PLEASE ARRIVE BY 8:00 AM FOR A MANAGER'S MEETING**

1. 8:00 AM – Manager's meeting: Race course, marshalling and loading procedure, protest procedures, **hand-in completed signed waiver if not already submitted.**

Please Note: All paddlers must be covered by CKBC or applicable paddling insurance in order to participate in the 2011 Lotus Dragon Boat Regatta.

2. For the remaining races of the day, see Bulletin Board for race in progress and number loading.
3. Please have your entire team report to the boats when you see your race number loading. It is your responsibility to keep track of the Bulletin Board.
4. Team pictures will be taken at the marshalling area prior to your team's first race. Race times for the first few heats will be extended slightly to allow for this. A framed photo will be presented to each team as a race souvenir at the conclusion of the event.

Pre-Race Information

Please make sure your team is ready for loading 15 minutes prior to the scheduled race start time. Check the boards for updates and delays.

Boat Loading

- LANE 1 (Closest to shore)
- LANE 2
- LANE 3
- LANE 4
- LANE 5 (Farthest from shore)

Start Commands

1. "Paddles up"
2. "Attention Please"
3. Air horn blast – boats may start



If, after 2 warnings, your boat is not at the start line by the time the Starter is ready to commence, the race will begin no matter where your boat is positioned.

Rules

Team Composition

Women's Teams

- The team must be comprised of all women.
- Steersperson and drummer can be either male or female.

Mixed Adult Teams

- The team must have at least 8 female paddlers. The balance of the crew can be either gender.
- Steersperson and drummer may be of either gender.

Senior Master Teams

- The team must have at least 8 female paddlers. The balance of the crew can be either gender.
- Steersperson and drummer may be of either gender.
- Paddlers must be 55 years of age and older (drummer and steersperson excluded).

Junior Teams

- All members of a junior team must be at least 13 years of age, and no older than 19 by the race date.
- The team must have at least 8 female paddlers, the balance of the crew can be either gender.
- Junior paddlers require their parent's or guardian's consent (Page 13) in order to participate.

Re-Race Rules

At the Officials' discretion, a re-race may be ordered when:

- There is a false start called by the Starter, or
- There is clearly a collision within the first 50 metres of the race, or
- There is an equipment breakage, other than paddle, within the first 50 metres of the race

There are absolutely no grounds for re-races after all boats have passed the 50 metre mark, except if initiated by the Officials under extraordinary circumstances.

Equipment

- All participants are required to wear a PFD while in the dragon boat. Approved PFD's will be provided, but paddlers and teams are encouraged to bring their own PFDs.
- Competitors are encouraged to use their own PFDs provided they are approved by the Department of Transport, the Canadian Coast Guard, or the Department of Fisheries and Oceans.
- Competitors may use their own wood, composite or carbon fiber paddles provided the paddles conform to the IDBF racing paddle specification sizes. Regulation sized paddles will be provided, but paddlers and teams are encouraged to bring their own paddles.

Water Safety Rules – Capsizing, Crew Overboard

- Should a boat capsize, the crew must remain with their boat, take a head-count and await rescue.
 - Confirm that PFDs are properly fastened.
 - Remain with the boat. Do not attempt to swim to shore.
 - Other boats must stay clear of the area and allow motorized rescue and recovery craft room to manoeuvre.
- In the event that any crew member goes overboard, the dragon boat must stop immediately without turning into the path of any oncoming boats in adjacent lanes.
- Should the steersperson go overboard, the drummer must take command of the boat and bring it to an immediate stop.

Race Day Suggestions

- First aid attendants will be available during the regatta. However, we strongly recommend you have a team first aid kit made up and available.
- Bring a team canopy / tent.
- Come early to get a table under the trees by the beach
- Put together a team picnic. Please note that there will be no public access to electrical outlets.
- Be ready for all weather conditions



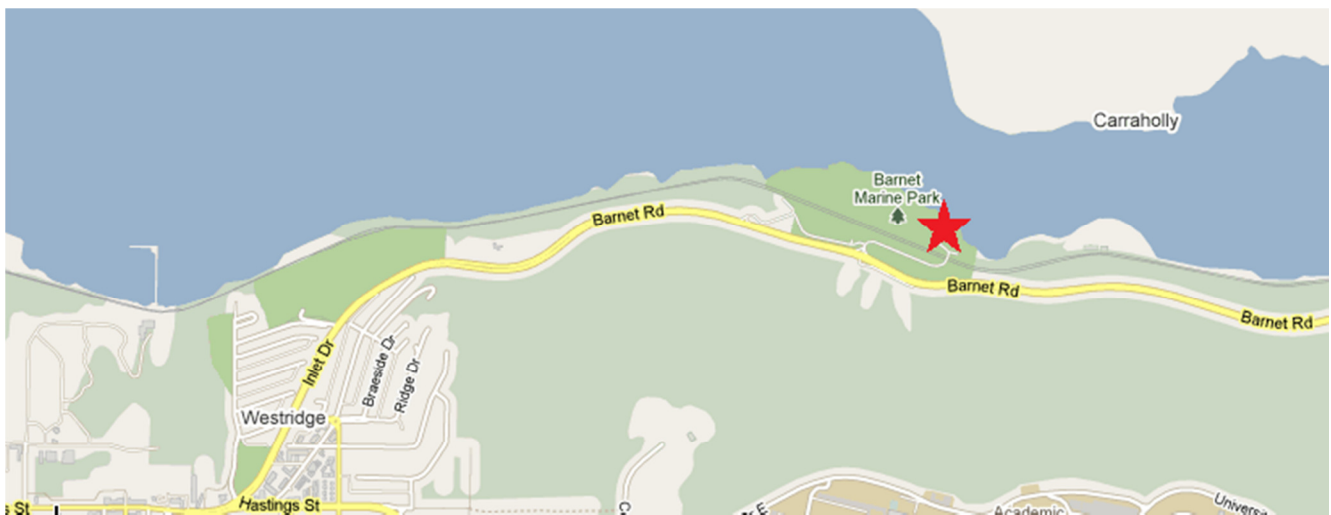
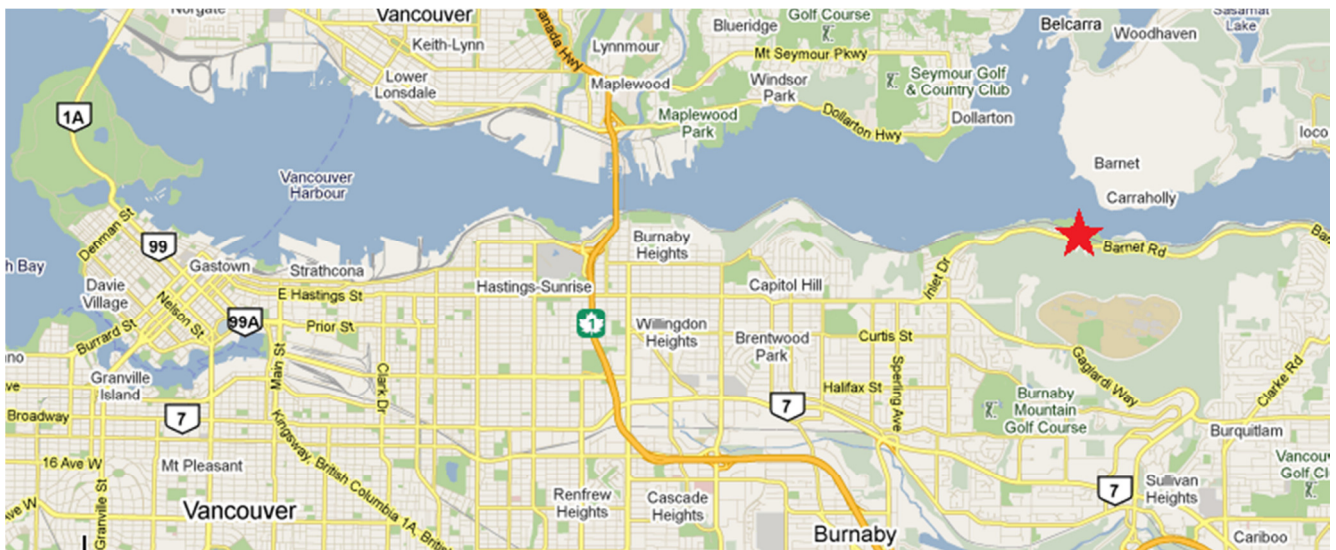
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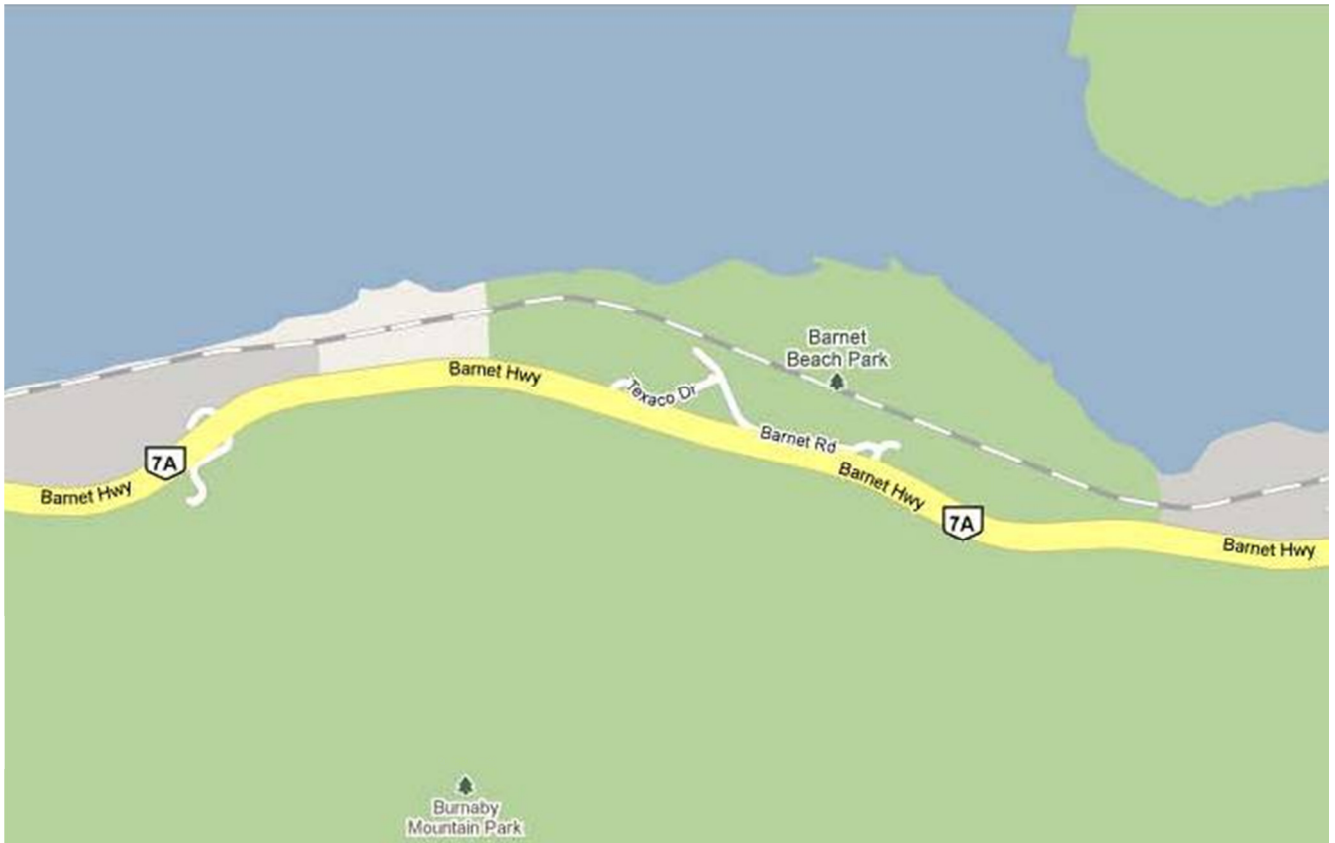
The Lotus Dragon Boat Regatta takes place in Barnet Marine Park in Burnaby.

Directions to Barnet Marine Park:

Going West on Barnet Highway, make a right on Takeda Drive. (There is a sign that says Barnet Marine Park, and a traffic light where you should turn right.) Turn right again and follow the road until you reach some parking lots. Walk down Takeda drive until you cross the railroad tracks.

Going East on Barnet Highway, make a left on Takeda Drive. Turn right and follow the road until you reach some parking lots. Walk down Takeda drive until you cross the railroad tracks.





Registration Form

Deadlines:

- Early Bird Deadline: **March 18th, 2011**
- Final Deadline: **April 15th, 2011**

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V3J 5M6

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Club Name: _____

Team Name: _____

Team Manager: _____

Telephone: _____ **Email:** _____

Division:	<u>Early Bird Fee</u>	<u>Regular Fee</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Mixed Adults	\$400	\$500
<input type="checkbox"/> Women	\$400	\$500
<input type="checkbox"/> Senior Masters	\$400	\$500
<input type="checkbox"/> Juniors	\$250	\$300

Payment By: Cheque (Payable to Lotus Sports Club) Money Order

Note:

- Signed waivers can be submitted in advance or on race day by 8:00am
- Group waiver must be signed by all participants
- Junior participants must complete the *Informed Consent Form*

Waiver of Liability Form

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WARNING - By Signing this Form, You Give Up the Right to Sue for Damages

To All Participants, Volunteers, and Officials Participating in this LOTUS SPORTS CLUB Event:

2011 LOTUS DRAGON BOAT REGATTA

In consideration of the Lotus Sports Club ("Lotus") accepting my application and race fee, and being permitted to participate, volunteer or officiate in the Lotus event and other activities associated with this event, I agree to this release of claims, waiver of liability and assumption of risk (collectively, this Agreement).

I acknowledge that the enjoyment and excitement of the Lotus event is derived, in part, from the inherent risks associated with such activities beyond the accepted safety of life at home or work and that these inherent risks contribute to such enjoyment and excitement, being a reason for my participation.

I accept all the inherent risks of the Lotus event and the possibility of personal injury, death, property damage or loss resulting there from.

I am aware that the Lotus event in addition to usual dangers and risks associated with outdoor recreation activities has certain additional inherent dangers and risks some of which may include but are not limited to:

- **physical exertion for which I may not be prepared;**
- **weather extremes subject to sudden and unexpected change;**
- **dangerous waters including rapids, white water and cold waters;**
- **collision with other boats including other race boats as well as commercial boat traffic or pleasure boats;**

I waive any and all claims I may now and in the future have against and release from all liability and agree not to sue or allow my executors, heirs or insurers to sue Lotus Sports Club and its officers, members, employees, guides, coaches, volunteers, agents, sponsors, or representative (collectively its staff) for any personal injury, death, property damage, or loss sustained by me as a result of my participation in any Lotus event due to any cause whatsoever, including without limitation, negligence on the part of Lotus Sports Club or its staff.

I acknowledge that I can, if I wish, purchase personal accident insurance to compensate me or my heirs for any personal injury, death, property damage, or loss sustained as a result of my participation in any Lotus event.

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Barnet Marine Park, Burnaby, BC
www.lotussports.com

Waiver of Liability Form

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I confirm that I am at an age of legal consent and that I have read and understand that this agreement will be binding upon my heirs, kin, executors, administrators and successors.

Junior participants – please see separate consent form.

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Informed Consent Form

(Junior Participants)

WARNING - BY SIGNING THIS FORM, YOU GIVE UP THE RIGHT TO SUE FOR DAMAGES

To All Participants, Volunteers, and Officials Participating in this LOTUS SPORTS CLUB Event:

2011 LOTUS DRAGON BOAT REGATTA

In consideration of the Lotus Sports Club ("Lotus") accepting the application and race fee, and my child being permitted to participate, volunteer or officiate in the Lotus event and other activities associated with this event, I agree to this release of claims, waiver of liability and assumption of risk (collectively, this Agreement).

I acknowledge that the enjoyment and excitement of the Lotus event is derived, in part, from the inherent risks associated with such activities beyond the accepted safety of life at home or work and that these inherent risks contribute to such enjoyment and excitement, being a reason for my child's participation.

I accept all the inherent risks of the Lotus event and the possibility of personal injury, death, property damage or loss resulting there from and still wish to give consent because of the value of participation in racing to my child.

I am aware that the Lotus event in addition to usual dangers and risks associated with outdoor recreation activities has certain additional inherent dangers and risks some of which may include but are not limited to:

- physical exertion for which my child may not be prepared;
- weather extremes subject to sudden and unexpected change;
- dangerous waters including rapids, white water and cold waters;
- collision with other boats including other race boats as well as commercial boat traffic or pleasure boats;

I waive any and all claims I may now and in the future have against and release from all liability and agree not to sue or allow executors, heirs or insurers to sue Lotus Sports Club and its officers, members, employees, guides, coaches, volunteers, agents, sponsors, or representative (collectively its staff) for any personal injury, death, property damage, or loss sustained by me as a result of my child's participation in any Lotus event due to any cause whatsoever, including without limitation, negligence on the part of Lotus Sports Club or its staff.

I acknowledge that I can, if I wish, purchase personal accident insurance to compensate me or my heirs for any personal injury, death, property damage, or loss sustained as a result of my child's participation in any Lotus event.

NOTE: Junior participants (under 19 years of age on date of event) require written consent of parent or legal guardian capable of giving consent - NO EXCEPTIONS.

The parent/guardian and child consenting signatures on this document indicate acknowledgement and acceptance of the information contained herein inclusive of risks and potential consequences.

Signed this ____ day of _____ 2011

Name of participant

Signature of participant

My signature here indicates that my child has my informed consent to participate in the Lotus Dragon Boat Regatta.

Name of parent or legal guardian

Signature of parent or legal guardian