

2018
NEIRA CHAMPIONSHIP

ARRIVAL INFORMATION:

Trailers may arrive at Regatta Point State Park on FRIDAY, May 25th at NOON. Access the trailer entrance via NORTH ROAD, which runs east along the north edge of the UMASS Medical Complex. North Road is accessed via Plantation Street. See driving directions below. A Police Officer will be stationed at the bottom of North Road to direct you into the park. Once in the park, staff will direct you accordingly.

Due to Hospital traffic considerations, trailers MUST NOT park outside of Regatta Point prior to opening. Trailers arriving early must wait at the Corazzini State Boat Ramp adjacent to the Donahue Rowing Center in Shrewsbury MA, until **11:45 AM**. UMASS Police will TICKET any trailers parked on North Road prior to NOON.

If you detach your trailer from your truck, it is imperative that you utilize a block of wood under your trailer crank. The pavement at Regatta Point may experience damage if you do not place a wooden block beneath your trailer crank.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS:

From 290 east take exit 21. At end of ramp turn right onto Plantation St. Drive approximately ¼ of a mile and turn left on North Rd. At the end of North Rd. wait to be directed across Lake Avenue into the Park.

From 290 West take exit 22. Bear right at end of Ramp onto Main St. Proceed to second set of lights and turn left onto Plantation St. Drive approximately 1 mile and turn left on North Rd. at the end of North Rd. wait to be directed across Lake Avenue into the Park.

Trailers not following the above driving directions and arriving from either direction on Lake Ave will be sent around the hospital to enter from North Road

PRACTICE DAY PARKING: Vehicles will not be allowed to park in Regatta Point Park with the exception of tow vehicles. TEAM BUSES AND VANS should to park north (direction of start line) of the trailer entrance gate. Parents may drop off tent items inside the park but must not leave vehicles attended and running. Parents should coordinate with members of their team to assist in unloading. After unloading these vehicles must exit the park. **Food trailers will be parked at the Corzinni Boat Ramp in Shrewsbury for the duration of the regatta. After unloading, these trailers will not be permitted into the park until after the final race on Saturday.**

RACE DAY PARKING: The park gate will be locked between 7AM-5PM. During these times vehicles will not be allowed to enter the park. Tow vehicles will be permitted to enter the park prior to 7AM and park directly in front of their team boat trailer. Parent groups will be permitted to unload food items between 6AM-7AM but must exit before 7AM.

Athlete drop-off will be allowed north of the main gate. All buses will be required to park in a Bus Parking Lot adjacent to the UMass parking garage. All team vans and spectators are asked to utilize the UMass parking garage and take advantage of a FREE REGATTA SHUTTLE servicing these parking garages. PLEASE: Study the attached VENUE PARKING MAP and forward it to anybody associated with your team.

PRACTICE:

Friday, May 25th Course Open: NOON-6:00PM Gates Locked at 7:00PM
PRACTICE TRAFFIC PATTERN: <http://www.qra.org/pdf/PracticeTraffic.pdf>

RACE DAY:

Saturday, May 26th Regatta Point will open at 6:00AM on Race Day.
RACE DAY TRAFFICE PATTERN: <http://www.qra.org/pdf/RacingTraffic.pdf>

TENTS:

Team tent set-up is NOT allowed prior to park opening. Your trailer will not be allowed access to Regatta Point if your tent is set up prior to this time. On arrival Regatta Volunteers will direct you to designated Team Tent areas. **No tents are permitted below the wall on the North Beach launch area.**

No artificial noisemakers (bells, horns) are permitted at QRA events. Please advise your parent groups.

BREAK DOWN AND CLEAN UP:

It is imperative that all teams clean up after themselves. Dumpsters will be provided and all garbage must be disposed of at these dumpsters. Teams renting a Team Tent must fold all chairs and tables and return them all to their initial location. Please leave the venue as you found it. Failure to clean your team tent will result in a \$200.00 cleanup charge.

Finally, please remember that all of the volunteers are just that, volunteers. All of the folks involved in the operation of QRA hosted regattas are committed to giving everyone an opportunity for safe fair racing. Please follow their instructions. Courteous behavior is expected from all of our guests whether athlete, coach, administrator, parent, or, friend. Failure to follow instructions from regatta organizers and volunteers, DCR employees, and safety professionals, or, failure to treat them in a courteous manner may result in ejection from the park and could impact the related crew's ability to race on the course at Lake Quinsigamond in the future.