

## **NOTICE TO MARINERS** U10 of 2016

### **MORTLAKE TO BARN ELMS REACH RIVER CLOSURES 2016/17 HEAD OF THE RIVER RACES**

The river will be closed to navigation between Mortlake and Putney for the 2016/17 Head of the River Races as follows:

Date	Race	Race Start	Time of Closure
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> October 2016	Pairs Head of the River	12:30	11:30 – 15:00
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> November 2016	Fuller's Head of the River Fours	13:15	12:15 – 15:45
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> November 2016	Veterans' Fours Head of the River	10:30	09:30 – 13:00
Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> November 2016	Vesta Scullers' Head of the River	13:30	12:30 – 16:00
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> January 2017	Quintin Eights Head of the River	12:15	11:15 – 14:15
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2017	Hammersmith Head of the River	09:30	08:30 – 12:00
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> March 2017	Women's Eights Head of the River	15:30	14:30 – 18:00
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March 2017	Schools' Head of the River	13:00	12:00 – 15:30
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> March 2017	The Head of the River Race	14:15	13:15 – 16:45
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2017	Vesta Veterans' Head of the River	11:00	10:00 – 13:30

**(NB - re-opening times are approximate)**

Vessels navigating in the area are warned that a large number of rowing craft will be encountered before and after the closure times. **All vessels are to proceed with caution, with special attention to their wash.**

Harbour Service launches exhibiting flashing blue lights will mark the limits of the closures and no craft other than official safety craft shall be underway on the courses whilst the races are in progress.

London VTS will broadcast any additional information on **VHF Channel 14**.

**All vessels not participating in the races must be clear of the closed areas before the closure starts.**

Further details of each river closure are as follows:

**Pairs Head of the River Race – Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2016**  
**11:30 – 15:00**  
**(rowed on the flood tide Hammersmith to Mortlake)**

No vessel may pass upstream of Barn Elms Boathouse or downstream of Kew Railway Bridge after 11:30 until the last competing crew has arrived at Chiswick Bridge and is returning outward bound, expected to be at approximately 15:00.

**Racing pairs will be marshalled on both sides of the river between Barn Elms Boathouse and Hammersmith Bridge from approximately 11:30.**

The race will start at 12:30, 400m downriver of Hammersmith Bridge

**Fullers Head of the River Fours – Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2016**  
**12:15 to 15:45**  
**(rowed on the ebb tide Mortlake to Putney)**

No vessel may pass upstream of Fulham Railway Bridge or downstream of Kew Railway Bridge after 12:15 until the last competing crew has arrived at Putney and is inward bound, expected to be at approximately 15:45.

**Racing fours will be marshalled on both sides of the river between Chiswick Steps and Kew Railway Bridge, from approximately 12:15.**

The race will start at 13:15 from Chiswick Bridge.

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**Veterans' Fours Head of the River Race – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2016**  
**09:30 – 13:00**  
**(rowed on the flood tide Putney to Mortlake)**

No vessel may pass upstream of Fulham Railway Bridge or downstream of Kew Railway Bridge after 09:30 until the last competing crew has arrived at Chiswick Bridge and is outward bound, expected to be at approximately 13:00.

**Racing fours will be marshalled on both sides of the river between Putney Bridge and Hammersmith Bridge, from approximately 12:45.**

The race will start at 10:30 from Putney.

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**Vesta Scullers Head of the River Race – Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2016**  
**12:30 to 16:00**  
**(rowed on the ebb tide Mortlake to Putney)**

No vessel may pass upstream of Fulham Railway Bridge or downstream of Kew Railway Bridge after 12:30 until the last competing crew has arrived at Putney and is inward bound, expected to be at approximately 16:00.

**Racing sculls will be marshalled on the Surrey sides of the river between Chiswick Steps and Chiswick Bridge from approximately 12:30.**

The race will start at 13:30 from Chiswick Bridge.

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**Quintin Eights Head of the River Race - Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2017**  
**11:15 to 14:15**  
**(rowed on the flood tide Hammersmith to Chiswick)**

No vessel may pass upstream of the Barn Elms Boat Club or downstream of Kew Railway Bridge after 11:15 until the last competing crew has arrived at Chiswick and is outward bound, expected to be approximately 14:15.

**Racing eights will be marshalled on both sides of the river between Barn Elms Boat Club and Hammersmith Bridge, from approximately 11:15**

The race will start at 12:15, 400m downriver of Hammersmith Bridge.

**Hammersmith Head of the River Race – Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2017**  
**08:30 to 12:00**  
**(rowed on the ebb tide Mortlake to Hammersmith)**

No vessel may pass upstream of the Barn Elms Boat Club or downstream of Kew Railway Bridge after 08:30 until the last competing crew has arrived at Hammersmith Bridge and is inward bound, expected to be at approximately 12:00.

**The racing boats will be marshalled on both sides of the river between Kew Rail Bridge and Barnes Railway Bridge, from approximately 08:30.**

The race will start at 09:30 from Chiswick Bridge.

The river will remain closed until the last competitor has completed at Hammersmith Bridge and is inward bound, expected to be at approximately 12:00.

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**Women's Eights Head of the River - Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2017**  
**14:30 to 18:00**  
**(rowed on the ebb tide Mortlake to Putney)**

No vessel may pass upstream of Fulham Railway Bridge or downstream of Kew Railway Bridge after 14:30 until the last competing crew has arrived at Putney and is inward bound, expected to be at approximately 18:00.

**Racing eights will be marshalled on both sides of the river between Chiswick Steps and Kew Railway Bridge from approximately 14:30.**

The race will start at 15:30 from Chiswick Bridge.

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**Schools' Head of the River Race – Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2017**  
**12:00 to 15:30**  
**(rowed on the ebb tide Mortlake to Putney)**

No vessel may pass upstream of Fulham Railway Bridge or downstream of Kew Railway Bridge after 12:00 until the last competing crew has arrived at Putney and is inward bound, expected to be at approximately 15:30.

**The racing boats will be marshalled on both sides of the river between Kew Rail Bridge and Barnes Railway Bridge, from approximately 12:00.**

The race will start at 13:00 from Chiswick Bridge.

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**The Head of the River Race – Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2017**  
**13:15 to 16:45**  
**(rowed on the ebb tide Mortlake to Putney)**

No vessel may pass upstream of Fulham Railway Bridge or downstream of Kew Railway Bridge after 13:15 until the last competing crew has arrived at Putney and is inward bound, expected to be at approximately 16:45.

**Racing eights will be marshalled on both sides of the river between Chiswick Steps and Kew Rail Bridge, from approximately 13:15.**

The race will start at 14:15 from Chiswick Bridge.

**Vesta Veterans' Head – Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2017**  
**10:00 to 13:30**  
**(rowed on the flood tide Putney to Chiswick)**

No vessel may pass upstream of Putney Bridge or downstream of Kew Railway Bridge after 10:00 until the last competing crew has arrived at Chiswick Bridge and is outward bound, expected to be at approximately 13:30.

**Racing eights will be marshalled on both sides of the river between Barn Elms Boat Club and the Mile Post, from approximately 10:00.**

The race will start at 11:00 from the Mile Post.

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**31 August 2016**

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EXPIRY DATE: 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017  
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PLEASE REGISTER VIA OUR WEBSITE [www.pla.co.uk](http://www.pla.co.uk)  
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be recorded in the VTS Centres at Gravesend and Woolwich**

