# The Queen's Diamond Jubilee River Pageant



GUIDANCE NOTES (Manpowered Craft)

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2012

START 14.30 HOURS

These notes MUST be fully read and understood by each crew member and retained by the Coxswain

Please bring this document with you to launch/scrutineering, when (after successful scrutineering) you will be given your QDJP flag and Boat ID number.

This event has been organised by
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# THE THAMES DIAMOND JUBILEE PAGEANT 2012

On the  $3^{rd}$  June over 1000 boats will form up in to the largest flotilla seen on the River Thames for over 200 years.

To celebrate 60 years of the reign of Queen Elizabeth II these craft, of all shapes and sizes, will parade from Chelsea Harbour to Tower Bridge through the centre of London.

It will be a memorable day for all those participating and for the millions of spectators on the banks or watching on television around the world.

These Guidance Notes have been written to assist you in participating in this Pageant.

Please read, understand and then follow their directions as this is only a small piece in the large picture of the whole Pageant.

Please use these notes in conjunction with the Passage Plan that has been provided for your craft by the Port of London Authority (PLA).

Come prepared for all weathers with sufficient clothing catering for both the sun and rain. Consider refreshments whilst afloat ~ bring plenty of drinking water to ensure you do not dehydrate.

Please leave the consumption of alcoholic beverage until you are safely ashore ~ this many boats and alcohol do not mix!

Enjoy your day on the River Thames.

The Diamond Jubilee Pageant Team

Below are some useful contact telephone numbers for the 3<sup>rd</sup> June.

Diamond Jubilee Pageant Office: 0207 9602154

PLA TBNC (Thames Control on 3<sup>rd</sup> June): 0208 855 0315

# SAFETY ~ ALL PARTICIPATING CRAFT

- Every boat must be individually covered by valid public liability insurance up to £2 million for any one claim and for any loss, injury or damage to property or persons (including all persons aboard the craft).
- Any towing will be undertaken at the boat owner's risk.
- No support boats or individual towing boats will be permitted in the event area. The
  River Thames will be closed to all marine traffic between Hammersmith Bridge and
  the Thames Barrier between 0800 and 2359 on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June (NTM 9/12).
- Only those craft confirmed as entered by the Pageant Office and successfully scrutineered by the PLA representative will be permitted to participate. This will be shown on the boats by the issue of the QDJP flag and Pageant ID number.
- All boats must have a securely mounted flag pole (preferably in the bow) for the QDJP flag (h54cm x w90cm) and boat number (A4) that will be issued on successful scrutineering. Other personalised flags may be flown from another flag pole but should not impede the vision of the Coxswain/helm.
- All boats participating in The Queen's Diamond Jubilee Pageant MUST carry a
  buoyancy aid or life jacket for each person aboard ~ the Coxswain and all
  passengers must wear theirs at all times. Crew MUST wear theirs when moving
  around the boat (during crew changes) and when embarking and disembarking.
- Anyone who cannot swim at least 50m fully clothed MUST wear a buoyancy aid or life jacket at ALL times.
- All boats MUST carry a bailer (attach to the craft), hand or electric pump.
- All boats MUST be fitted with a strong point for towing and have a length (at least 4 mtrs) of suitable line attached for the purpose and/or have a full towing harness fitted to the bow thwart before scrutineering.
- All participants MUST carry photo ID at all times (This should be kept in a sealed waterproof bag) in case of Security checks and be wearing their issued Security wristband.
- All Coxswains must be carrying the PLA issued Passage Plan and these Guidance Notes for reference during the Pageant.
- All craft will follow the Passage Plan that they have been issued, in conjunction with these Guidance Notes, but the Master of the craft will at all times responsible for the consequences of their own navigation and it is their decision to take part and/or continue to participate.

- We recommend that all crew and in particular Coxswains view the PLA video on 'Rowing through Central London' at <a href="https://www.boatingonthethames.co.uk">www.boatingonthethames.co.uk</a>.
- All participating boats are to comply with any instruction given by a PLA Marshall,
   Safety Boat or Control Boat as the timings of the Pageant are critical to its success.
- All crews MUST maintain a speed of 4 knots (4.6mph) over the duration of the
  event (Battersea Rail Bridge to Millwall Slipway). This will be set by a PLA launch
  running parallel with the State row barge 'Gloriana' in the front of the Manpowered
  Squadron.
- All crews should be aware that the Thames Barrier will be closed on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June between 10.00 and 21.00. This will reduce the flow to approx. 1 knot.
- All craft must maintain (where possible) their allocated station in the Pageant and should not fall behind their group.
- If, for any reason, your craft is unable to maintain the 4 knots you WILL be taken in tow.
- If you are unable to maintain the required speed move gradually to one side of the flotilla, you will be identified by a safety boat and then taken in tow by one of the attending 'sweeper' boats. Remain seated in your craft at all times and take instruction from the attending tow or safety boats.
- If your craft is immobilized for any reason or becomes damaged and you need
  urgent assistance your Cox should remain seated, cross and uncross their arms
  above their head and if possible wave a piece of white clothing in the direction of
  the nearest safety boat.
- If any person aboard your craft becomes unwell signal in the same manner as above and follow instructions from the attending safety boat.
- Safety Boats will be identified by a black flag with white 'Safety' lettering. There will be 50 safety boats in attendance for the Manpowered Squadron of the flotilla.
- In the event of a floating obstruction in the river the attending Marshall or Safety boat will display flashing blue lights, on seeing this all participating craft will take avoiding action and continue to row down the course.
- In the unlikely case of 'Man overboard' one member of the crew is to remain seated, shout loudly "Man overboard!" and point at the location of the person in the water.
   The Coxswain will attract the attention of the nearest Safety boat and then follow

- instructions. All other craft are to keep rowing down the course, craft must not round up and attempt to recovery. Recovery of a MOB will be carried out by Safety or Marshall Boats *not* participating craft.
- In the event of a Security alert involving the Royal barge ('Spirit of Chartwell') ~ the
   'Spirit of Chartwell' will sound a continuous blast on her horn and increase speed,
   all craft will follow instructions from the Marshall boats leading her to move to either
   the north (left) or south (right) side of the channel.
- In the event of an "Emergency Stop!" being called (repeated 3 times) and Red flags being displayed by the Marshall and Safety boats, all craft will immediately stop rowing/paddling, follow instructions to seek secure moorings to either the north or south side of the river. Assist each other to raft up 'like-size' boat with 'like-size' boat. Await further instruction from the Safety or Control boats.
- No alcohol may be consumed by any person whilst afloat as part of the Pageant.
- VHF radios will NOT be used by individual manpowered craft. Any communication
  you require with other craft will either be carried out directly verbally or by mobile
  telephone. The organisers will not be held responsible for the loss of any mobile
  telephones or any other such items.
- Mobile phones and valuables should be kept to a minimum and carried in sealed waterproof bags.
- In the case of severe weather conditions on the morning of 3<sup>rd</sup> June a decision will be made by the PLA Safety Group as to the suitability of low free board craft having continued participation in the Pageant. This will be communicated to individual craft Registration personnel and crews as early as possible.
- All participants must ensure they are prepared for all weather conditions ~ carry waterproofs, warm clothing, sun hats, sun block, drinking water ~ no facilities will be available once you're afloat.

# SATURDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2012

# **ARRIVAL**

Your 'Individual Craft Instructions' (ICI) will state which location to take your craft, dependant on your size of boat and method of arrival namely by road (trailer) or river (towed or rowed).

All arrivals and movements of trailers where possible should be carried out on the  $2^{nd}$  June  $\sim$  this is in anticipation of central London being very heavily congested during the day of the  $3^{rd}$  June.

The launch sites for this event are:

Thames Tradesmen RC, Chiswick Boathouse, Dukes Meadows, Chiswick, W4 2SH (TTRC) ~ road arrivals of rowed craft for launching or storage ashore

University of London Boat Club, Hartington Road, Chiswick, W4 3TU (ULBC) ~ road arrivals of Hawaiian Canoes, Canadian Canoes, New Zealand Waka

Mortlake Anglian & Alpha Boat Club, Ibis Boathouse, Ibis Lane, Hartington Road, Chiswick, W4 3UJ (MAABC) ~ river and road arrivals of small rowed craft for storage ashore

Putney Embankment, Putney, London, SW15 1LB (PEMB) ~ road arrivals of Explore/Coastal, Dragon Boats, Gondolas

Shadwell Basin Activity Centre, Glamis Road, London E1W 3TD (SB) ~ road arrivals of Kayaks

MSO Marine, Dock Road, Brentford TW8 8AG (MSO) ~ road arrival requiring craning.

All boat storage areas will be secure for the night of the 2<sup>nd</sup> June. Please do not leave any valuables in your craft.

# **ROAD ARRIVAL OF ROWED CRAFT (TTRC):**

The entrance to Dukes Meadows is off the A316 on the north side of Chiswick Bridge. Please drive down this road and follow instructions.

# Trolley or Hand Launch Craft

All trailered boats must arrive on or before 2<sup>nd</sup> June ~ NO TRAILED BOATS TO ARRIVE ON 3<sup>rd</sup> JUNE unless prior agreement has been made.

Those boats that can be removed from their trailers and stored overnight for trolley or hand launch on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June will be directed to the boat storage area behind TTRC.

Please remove your craft from your trailer as directed and ensure you have left all equipment you will require on the 3<sup>rd</sup> in the boat.

Please now drive your vehicle & trailer to the recovery point car park in Westferry Road, Poplar, London, E14 3QS. Park as directed and leave both there unless your driver is not a member of the crew and requires the vehicle.

# Craft requiring Trailer Launch & Moorings

Please take directions on your arrival at TTRC and launch your craft. Ensure that all necessary equipment is aboard.

Your craft will be taken to secure PLA overnight line moorings downstream of Kew Bridge. On the 3<sup>rd</sup> June your craft will be towed to ULBC for you to collect prior to scrutineering.

Please now drive your vehicle and trailer to the recovery point car park in Westferry Road, Poplar, London, E14 3QS. Park as directed and leave both there unless your driver is not a member of the crew and requires the vehicle.

If you have elected to be river towed back to Richmond/Ham please remove your trailer to Ham Fields, Ham Street, Richmond, TW10 7RT in preparation for recovery on the 4<sup>th</sup> June.

There is no option of river towing back to this Chiswick slipway for recovery.

Due to space restrictions no vehicles or trailers maybe left at Chiswick Boathouse.

# Craft requiring Craning in & Moorings

Those boats requiring craning should go to MSO Marine, Dock Road, Brentford TW8 8AG ~ please arrive at the time stated on the attached 'Individual Craft Instructions' ~ there is very limited parking for large trailers in the immediate area.

Please ensure that all necessary equipment is secured in your craft before craning in.

After launching your craft will be towed by one of our launches to secure PLA overnight line moorings downstream of Kew Bridge. On the 3<sup>rd</sup> June your craft will be towed to ULBC for you to collect prior to scrutineering.

Please now drive your vehicle and trailer to South Dock, Plough Way, London SE16 7SZ and park as directed and leave both there unless your driver is not a member of the crew and requires the vehicle.

# **ROAD ARRIVALS OF PADDLED CRAFT (ULBC):**

The entrance to Hartington Road is off the A316 on the north side of Chiswick Bridge. Please drive down this road for 400m to ULBC (on the left opposite St. Paul's church) and take directions.

Please remove your craft from your trailer as directed and ensure you have left all equipment you will require on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June in the boat.

This area will be patrolled by security on the night of the 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

Please now drive your vehicle and trailer to Amsterdam Road, Poplar, London, E14 3UU and park as directed and leave both there unless your driver is not a member of the crew and requires the vehicle.

It is a short walk to Island Gardens station on the DLR.

# RIVER or ROAD ARRIVALS OF SMALL CRAFT (MAABC)

Boats arriving under their own power or under river tow should arrive on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

Please bring your craft ashore at MAABC and follow instructions on where to locate it. Volunteers and trolleys will be available to assist with boat moving.

Those boats that can be removed from their trailers and stored overnight for trolley or hand launch on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June will be directed to the boat storage area behind MAABC.

Please ensure you have left all the equipment you will require on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June in the boat.

This area will be patrolled by security on the night of the 2<sup>nd</sup>June.

A return tow upstream will be organised and take place on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June. The boats will be moored in Richmond overnight for collection on the 4<sup>th</sup> June ~ more details below.

# **ROAD ARRIVALS (PEMB):**

On your arrival in West London please choose a route that avoids Putney High Street. We advise a route that uses the A306 and then B306 Lower Richmond Road.

A one way system will be implemented for vehicles towing trailers along Putney Embankment with the main entrance point at the Putney Bridge end.

Please enter the one way system beside the 'Dukes Head' public house and turn left along the Embankment.

Please remove your craft from your trailer as directed and ensure you have left all equipment you will require on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June in the boat.

This area will be patrolled by security on the night of the 2<sup>nd</sup>June.

# Explore Rowing trailers ~

Please now drive your vehicle and trailer to Amsterdam Road, Poplar, London, E14 3UU and park as directed and leave both there unless your driver is not a member of the crew and requires the vehicle.

It is a short walk to Cross Harbour station on the DLR.

# Dragon Boat trailers ~

Please now drive your vehicle and trailer to Saunders Ness Road, Poplar, London, E14 3EA and park as directed and leave both there unless your driver is not a member of the crew and requires the vehicle.

It is a short walk to Island Gardens station on the DLR.

#### Gondola trailers ~

Please now drive your vehicle and trailer to South Dock, Plough Way, London SE16 7SZ for craning out and park as directed and leave both there unless your driver is not a member of the crew and requires the vehicle or to Trinity Buoy Wharf for recovery of your craft.

# **ROAD ARRIVALS KAYAKS (SB):**

Please off load your kayaks as directed and park in Brussels Wharf, E1W 3TD as directed.

Scrutineering will take place on 2<sup>nd</sup>June in preparation for an early start on the 3<sup>rd</sup>.

# **ACCREDITATION**

The Security Services have stipulated that *every* person going afloat for any part of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Pageant MUST be accredited.

This process involves registering via the Pageant web site prior to the Pageant and receiving by post a Boarding Pass.

By now all of you should have completed this stage of Accreditation.

If you think a member of your crew may become unavailable for any reason on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June please consider registering a reserve as late (on the day) substitutions of unregistered personnel will NOT be permitted.

On your arrival at Dukes Meadows (from 1<sup>st</sup> June onwards) Accreditation Points will be available at all launch sites and camp sites for you to attend.

It is recommended that as many crew members as possible complete the Accreditation process before the 3<sup>rd</sup> June as possible.

A full list of venues will be published via the Pageant newsletter

On attending for Accreditation you MUST present to the Accreditation Personnel your Boarding Pass and Photo ID (i.e. EU photo driving licence, passport). Your details will be checked against the Crew Lists and you will then be issued a wrist band which you MUST be wearing on the day of the Pageant.

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> June please ensure ALL your crew are Accredited and wearing their wrist band *before* you ask for your craft to be scrutineered.

The Pageant Craft Scrutineer will ask to see that all those going afloat are wearing the Security wrist band.

If any person is seen afloat in a craft not wearing a wrist band the Security Services and Marshall boats will have authority to remove the craft from the Pageant thereby ceasing any further involvement by that craft in the Pageant.

The Pageant Foundation and any other organisation working for the Pageant Foundation will not be held accountable for any losses incurred in these circumstances.

# **SUNDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> JUNE 2012**

# Today you are on world-wide television!

Everything you say and do will be seen and heard by millions of viewers.

Look happy, have a wonderful time AND remember you're being watched ALL the time.

# **LAUNCHING** ~ KAYAKS:

Commence launching at 08.30, form up and paddle upstream to Cremorne Riverside Kayaking Centre, Cremorne Gardens, Lots Rd, London, Chelsea SW10 0QH

Go ashore for refreshments ~ you've earned it!

Re-launch @13.30 and muster in the area in front of the Lots Road Power Station, await instructions from a PLA Marshall boat.

# **SCRUTINEERING & LAUNCHING ~ ROWERS/PADDLERS:**

Refreshments will be available at all launch sites.

Your arrival time is shown on your 'Individual Craft Instructions' (ICI) this will allow you sufficient time to prepare your craft for scrutineering.

Those craft on overnight moorings at Kew will be towed down to ULBC and then brought ashore when you are ready to receive them for boarding and scrutineering.

Scrutineering will take place when all your crew are together with your boat.

After successful scrutineering take your signed ICI form to the central control desk at your location for issue of your QDJP flag and Pageant ID number.

Return to your craft and attach the flag at the top of your flag pole with your Pageant ID number below so that it is clearly visible from both banks.

If any repairs, changes or additions have to be made to your boat PLEASE complete these as soon as possible.

Your launch time (between 10.00 & 13.00) is shown on the 'Individual Craft Instructions'.

Be ready to launch your boat when directed by the Beach Master.

After launching proceed downstream, be aware of all other craft on the river ~ it will be busy and will only get worse!

# NO MANPOWERED CRAFT ARE TO PASS BELOW DOVE PIER, HAMMERSMITH UNTIL 12 NOON.

As soon as directed by a Marshall or Safety boat ALL craft shall proceed downstream using the centre of the river to the Manpowered mustering area between Wandsworth Bridge and Battersea rail bridge.

The last opportunity for crew members to use toilet facilities will be at Putney Embankment. Please beach your craft as directed and return to your craft as soon as possible.

The final opportunity to use these facilities will be at 13.20 and any crews MUST have left Putney by 13.40.

# THE LAST MANPOWERED CRAFT MUST PASS UNDER WANDSWORTH BRIDGE BY 1400

Any craft that is late will be refused access to the muster area and any further participation in the flotilla.

(the organisers will not be held responsible for any costs should this occur)

# **MUSTERING.**

In the muster area there will be 200m floating lines in the river on both sides to assist you in holding position. Please make use of these as you may be here for some time.

Please take a mid line down the Schematic of the Flotilla ~

Those craft on the left of the centre line moor/hold station on the left side of the river;

Those craft on the right of the centre line moor/hold station on the right side of the river.

Those who fall on the centre line join your nearest like size craft and moor/hold station.

# Please take up position with your bows facing downstream.

Raft up 'like-size' boat with 'like-size' ~ your numbers have been issued with this in mind.

A clear channel must be left in the centre of the river at all times.

Please follow all instructions given by PLA Marshall, Safety or Control boats.

Have your QDJP Passage Plan booklet ready to refer to as you move downstream.

It may be advisable for a passenger to read from this allowing the Coxswain/Helm to concentrate on steering and controlling your crew.

# **FLOTILLA FORMATION**

At 14.00 a verbal order will be given by the PLA Marshall boats to prepare to row.

Move away from your neighbouring craft (assist each other please!) and move towards the centre of the river.

The Royal row barge 'Gloriana' will take up position mid river.

At 14.30 a verbal order will be given by the PLA Marshalls to all crews to commence rowing downstream.

Please row in close formation across the river in your section of like-sized craft.

Please refer to the PLA 'Passage Plan' for details of bridges and other obstructions in the river.

See the 'Flotilla Formation Schematic' which shows where you *should* be in the flotilla ~ we appreciate this is only an indication and cannot be adhered to exactly but let's try!

Coxswains ~ you will have to row in close formation with other craft. Please control your crew and ensure you hold a good course ~ no sudden changing of direction or speed.

If becomes necessary to warn other craft about their course call "Take a look (boat number)"

Kayaks please join in at the rear of the Manpowered Section, in front of the PLA launch.

Maintain the 4 knots being set by the lead PLA launch and the State row barge 'Gloriana' in the front of our section.

Follow all instructions given by PLA Marshall, Safety or Control boats.

You are now following HM Queen who will be aboard the Royal Yacht 'Britannia' launch.

At Cadogan Pier, below Albert Bridge, HM Queen will board the Diamond Jubilee Royal Barge ('Spirit of Chartwell') to take the salute from our section.

ALL CREWS ~ please do not attempt your own salute (toss oars)
as you pass the Queen ~ please wait!

When the rear of the Manpowered Section is approaching Albert Bridge verbal instructions will be given to you from the Marshall boats "Listen for Royal Salute", on hearing this all Coxswains/helms listen for the following orders ~ (practice this before the day...please!)

# "Manpowered Squadron ~ All crews, easy oars!"

All crews stop rowing/paddling, do not hold water or stop your craft ~ coxswains ensure you are steering a straight course

2 second pause

# "All crews prepare Royal salute"

Prepare to lift your oars/paddles in to the vertical position, spoons/blades facing the north bank (the Queen), those who cannot lift oars/paddles prepare to cheer!

5 second pause

# "All crews, toss oars!"

All crews bring your oars/paddles to the vertical position ~ hold them there... 5 second pause

# "Manpowered Squadron ~ Three cheers to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, hip, hip....!"

Follow the usual wording with loud cheers...

2 second pause

# "All crews, lower oars"

Lower your oars/paddles down to your rowing position 5 second pause

# "Manpowered Squadron ~ get ready to row (pause) ROW!"

Now please row off resuming the 4 knot pace.

#### WELL DONE EVERYONE!!!

We've just managed a full Royal salute ~ amazing!

The Royal barge will now leave its moorings and move to centre river 350 metres behind the Sea Cadet boats carrying the flags of the Commonwealth & Dominions behind our Squadron.

The rest of the Pageant is now forming behind us and we're all moving downstream at 4 knots ~ DO NOT STOP MOVING FOR ANY REASON.

Enjoy yourself! You are creating the greatest sight that has been seen on the Thames in over 200 years ~ well done!

Maintain this pace. If you have to change crew members please ensure all those moving in the boat are wearing their buoyancy aid/life jacket and that the changeover is as quick but safe as possible.

Enjoy the sights of London from the river.

Coxswains please keep a continual look out and steer a safe course through the bridges ~ do not get too close to the buttresses.

If it becomes necessary to warn other craft about their course call "Take a look (boat number)"

Maintain good humour, do not become agitated, work together to make this happen.

Having passed under Waterloo Bridge take extra care, the next four bridges are close together and the buttresses do not line up, steer carefully being aware at all times of other craft around you.

Below London Bridge the Avenue of Sail starts and reduces the width of the available river.

If necessary slow your crew and drop back ~ we have to work together here to continue safely downstream.

Pass under Tower Bridge and continue down the Avenue of Sail ~ you have about 3 miles to go…keep going at 4 knots.

# **COMPLETION OF THE PAGEANT AND RECOVERY**

Your 'Individual Craft Instructions' indicate which location you are now to go to at the completion of the Pageant.

The six locations are:

Shadwell Basin, E1W 3TD Millwall slipway, E14 3QS

South Dock, SE16 7SZ Poplar & Blackwall RC, E14 3DT

Ahoy Centre, SE8 3JY London Yard, E14 3UU

**Trinity Buoy Wharf** 

# SHADWELL BASIN

Kayaks will leave first at Shadwell Basin (north side) ~ well done!

Coxswains ~ as you are approaching the towers of Canary Wharf (on the left bank) where possible move towards either the North or South bank depending on your recovery point ~ Millwall, PBRC and London Yard (north/left bank) or South Dock, Ahoy Centre (south/right bank).

Do not all attempt to turn directly into your recovery point, if necessary continue downstream and then turn and row back up river ~ be aware of large mooring buoys and any other obstructions.

Leave a clear channel mid-river for the Explore/Coastal rowing, Dragon boats, Hawaiian & Canadian canoes and the Waka behind us who have to row/paddle downstream to Poplar & Blackwall RC and London Yard for recovery.

Those craft finishing at The Ahoy Centre and other locations downstream continue rowing utilising the channel mid-river ~ follow the Bell barge and the PLA launch.

# ~~NO MANPOWERED BOATS ARE TO STOP MID-RIVER ~~

ALL BOATS ARE TO MOVE TO EITHER THE NORTH SIDE OR SOUTH SIDE OF THE NAVIGATION CHANNEL

# THERE ARE OVER 600 MOTOR CRAFT COMING DOWNSTREAM AT 4 KNOTS BEHIND YOU!!!

Follow instructions from the Safety, Marshall and Control Boats.

Please do not rush at this point, safety is paramount and we must all work together to safely recover both crews and boats from the river.

# MILLWALL RECOVERY POINT

Craft should go alongside the pontoon and allow passengers and some crew to go ashore.

No boats are to be left unattended at any time.

Take directions from the Beach Master to recover your craft.

Utilise the trolleys where possible and man handle your craft up the slipway to the car park and your trailer.

Those craft requiring their trailer to be reversed on to the slipway please take directions from the Beach Master.

Do not commence recovery until your boat is ready and trailer in position.

No boats are to be beached and left blocking the slipway.

Please assist other crews with their boat recovery ~ many hands make light work!

Due to restriction on parking space at the Dukes Meadows campsite we recommend that your craft is left on it's trailer at Westferry Car Park on the  $3^{rd}$  and collected on the  $4^{th}$  ~ thank you!

# SOUTH DOCK RECOVERY POINT

The lock gates will remain open throughout this operation.

Crews should turn below Greenland Pier (on your right) and form a line astern waiting to turn into and move through the lock into South Dock.

Follow instructions from Safety or Marshall boats.

As you proceed through the lock take instructions from the Beach Master as to where you should moor your craft.

Those for craning out will turn left and moor as directed.

Those for towing upstream will go to the right hand side of the dock and be allocated a tow craft.

Please assist each other mooring 'like-size' with 'like-size'.

#### **RIVER TOW UPSTREAM**

Those boats that have requested to be towed back upstream will be formed up under instruction from the skipper of the towing craft.

These tows will be taken upstream at 20.30 on the  $3^{rd}$  June arriving in Richmond or Ham at approx. 23.00 where they will be moored up.

They will be available for collection on the morning of the 4<sup>th</sup> June (not before) for either trailer recovery or rowing back to home moorings.

After the 4<sup>th</sup> June no boats can be left in either Richmond without prior arrangements with Richmond Bridge Boathouse or Twickenham without prior arrangements with Eel Pie Boatyard.

# AHOY CENTRE RECOVERY POINT

Those craft finishing here should move downstream and carry out their usual recovery system under instruction from staff at the Ahoy Centre.

# POPLAR & BLACKWALL RC RECOVERY POINT

Dragon boats, Canadian Canoes and NZ Waka continue downstream passing Masthouse Terrace Pier (on your left).

Move to the North/left bank and the slipway of Poplar & Blackwall RC.

Keep over to this bank and recover your craft as quickly and safely as possible.

Beware of the rocky beach downstream of the slipway ~ wait for the slipway to be available.

Please assist other crews with their boat recovery ~ many hands make light work!

# LONDON YARD RECOVERY POINT

Explore & Coastal rowing boats with the Hawaiian canoes stay centre river passing the slipway of PBRC on your left hand side and Greenwich College/Cutty Sark on the right.

As the O<sub>2</sub> Dome comes in to view (on your right) you will see the beach and steps of London Yard on your left. Take directions from your Section Leader.

There is a line of moorings and the PLA will have a launch here ~ go inside these to reach the beach

Land on the beach, which is soft shingle, and recover your craft as quickly and safely as possible.

Please assist other crews with their boat recovery ~ many hands make light work!

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# **WATCHING THE PAGEANT**

While we are all busy trying to get ashore the rest of the Pageant will come downstream.

If you are still afloat you MUST ensure you are clear of the central river navigation channel.

If you are ashore or mid recovery by all means enjoy the spectacle of all these wonderful boats on the Thames.

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You have just been a participant in the greatest Pageant the River Thames has ever seen ~ well done!

Thank you for all your efforts and support that has made this memorable day possible, wear or fly your participants Pageant logo with pride.

The Diamond Jubilee Pageant Team