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# World Maritime Merchants Forum Kellett Island Cup

## Race Bulletin

Date : Saturday 28 March 2026

Time : 0830 to 1830hrs

Venue : RHKYC Kellett Island

The race will be held out of the RHKYC clubhouse at Kellett Island in Causeway Bay and takes place in the waters of Hong Kong's Victoria Harbour at the Wanchai Basin.

For detailed instructions on how to get to Kellett Island, please follow this link –

( <https://www.rhkyc.org.hk/storage/app/media/Club%20and%20Facilities/map/Walking%20to%20the%20Club%20from%20Causeway%20Bay%20MTR.pdf> )

### Race categories:

Categories		Quota (Team)	Entry Fee (HK\$)
Gold Cup	Open	12	\$2500 * Steersperson's cost \$450 per category
	Women	12	
	Mixed	16	
Silver Cup	Open	20	
	Women	8	
	Mixed	12	
Bronze Cup (Corporate)	Mixed	8	
Youth Mixed U18	Mixed	8	\$1880 * Steersperson's cost \$350
Youth Open U19	Open	4	



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Categories	Entry requirement
Basic rules	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Athletes must be aged 12 or above on or before 1 February 2026;</li> <li>Athletes are able to swim at least 50 meters in light clothing; and tread water for 5 minutes</li> <li>Athletes are advised to wear Personal Floatation Device (PFD).</li> <li><b>Small boat:</b> 10 paddlers, one drummer, one steerer, a crew of 12 participants.</li> </ul>
Open	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No gender limitation.</li> </ul>
Women	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All paddlers and drummer must be female; no limitation on steersperson</li> </ul>
Mixed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Must consist of at least 50% female paddlers;</li> <li>Small boat: minimum 5 female paddlers</li> </ul>
Youth Mixed U18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All paddlers must be under <b>18-years old</b> on or before 1 February 2026. No limitation for steersperson and drummer.</li> <li>4 to 5 of the same gender</li> </ul>
Youth Open U19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All paddlers must be under <b>19-years old</b> on or before 1 February 2026. No limitation for steersperson and drummer.</li> <li>No Gender limitation.</li> </ul>

### Registration:

- Online Registration from **NOW to Friday 27 Feb 2026 at 1200hrs**. To register, click on the link below:  
**>> REGISTER HERE**
- Registration will be on a first come first served basis.
- When the entries are full / shown as "Sold Out", waiting list are still available. Please continue to fill in the team information with your preferred category/entry and submit the form without payment. You will be on the queue and we will take your enrollment once we have availability. Payment collection will be arranged afterward through email.
- Places will be awarded in order of entries received (i.e. preference will be given to those entries received, and paid for, first). The committee retains the right to limit the number of entries if the event is over-subscribed. We encourage teams to not place a 2nd boat in the same category; 2<sup>nd</sup> boats are subject to availability and priority.
- Club Captains must ensure that they only enter competent crews and that their crews are properly prepared for the race. All competitors should be able to swim at least 50m in light clothing and tread water for 5 minutes.
- The committee reserves the right to cancel specific events in the event of insufficient entries.
- In the event of cancellation, 50% of the paid entry fee will be refunded, due to the logistics and setup costs incurred by the RHKYC.



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### Equipment:

- All equipment will be provided. However, athletes are recommended to use their own paddles for the race, which must comply with IDBF specifications.
- All U18 and U19 paddlers will be required to wear personal flotation devices (PFDs)
- Athletes can use their own PFD for racing. Inflatable PFDs are not permitted.
- RHKYC has only limited number of PFDs. No advance reservation is required. PFDs with limited size and quantity will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis on site.

### Awards:

- Awards will be presented as follows: Champion for each category will be awarded a trophy and 18 Medals. 1st runner-up and 2nd runner-up of each category will be awarded 18 Medals.

### Race Rules and Regulations:

- There is no limitation on the number of race categories participated by each team.
- RHKYC shall have the right to refuse any entry into the races at its sole discretion.
- All teams are required to report to the Staging Area 30 minutes in advance of each race. Teams will be disqualified if they are found not meeting this entry requirements.
- All crews must complete the racecourse with the same number of participants that they started with. If anyone falls out of the boat, the team must stop to pick up the person before completing the course. Violating this rule will lead to forfeiting the heat in question.
- Any team (including all team members and accompanying persons) who contravenes any race rules and regulations, or disciplinary code may be disqualified and/or not entitled for any awards at the RHKYC race director's sole discretion
- For safety reason, RHKYC reserves the right to alter the capacity of each dragon boat according to weather condition.
- RHKYC has the right to the final decision (including the right to change without prior notice) in all matters pertaining to the races (including the race programme and racecourse). Any changes for the races announced by RHKYC or posted on the official event website shall prevail. In case of any dispute, the decision of RHKYC shall be final and conclusive.

### Kellett Island Cup

- The top four teams with the highest number of points at the end of Gold category racing will enter the Grand Final to determine the winner of the KI Cup.
- Points will be based on each team's top two finishes from Gold Open, Gold Ladies and/or Gold Mixed.
- In the event that two teams have the same number of points, the team with the faster combined time that had been used to determine their points, will enter the Grand Final.
- Team Captains can raise any disputes of race results to the Race Director. Race Director will make the final decision.



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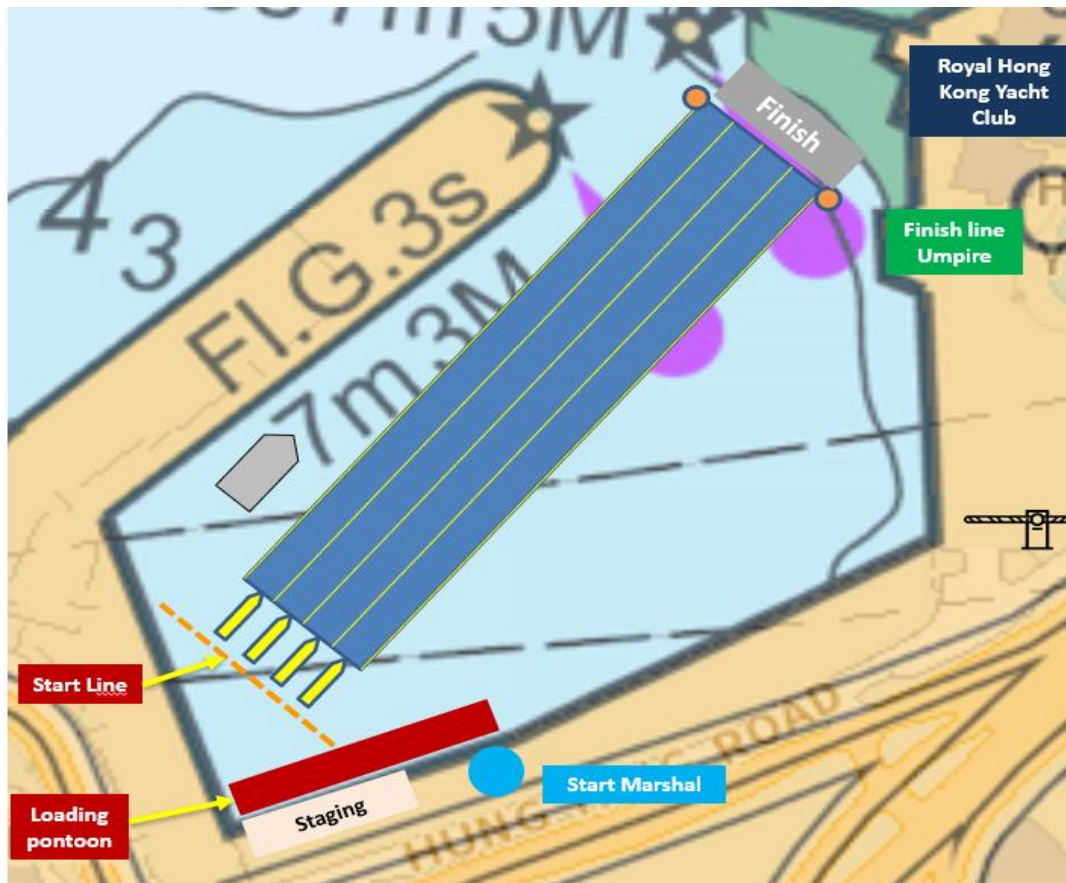
### Waiver forms & Safety Information:

- All competitors are required to sign a disclaimer/indemnity form before racing. Team representative will need to make sure every team members have signed.
- Junior athletes must have their forms co-signed by a parent or guardian and submitted in advance.
- All participants must be able to swim 50m in open water & tread water for 5 minutes. IF participants cannot do the above, then they must wear a PFD.
- Participating Club Captains must be be aware and responsible for any medical conditions of their team.
- Wear appropriate footwear and use reef friendly sunscreen.
- There will be boats providing safety cover on the race course at all times. If you require assistance, please shout and wave to attract their attention.

### The Course:

The race will be held in the Water Sports and Recreation Precinct, Wanchai, next to the RHKYC Club. Crews will race on a single course, approximately 200m long. Start and finish lines and loading areas will be confirmed shortly.

More information on the procedures and timings for launching, start sequence and return to loading pontoon after each race has finished, will follow in the Race Briefing.



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### Additional Information for Competitors:

**Food and Drink** – Food and beverages will be available for purchase with **Octopus Card** only. No outside food and drinks are permitted inside the Club premises.

We wish to make this and all our events Green Events. We urge all teams to bring their own refillable water bottles. Our water-station is free of charge. We also discourage single-use plastic bottles, bags and straws.

We urge all our vendors, competitors, and guests to work to keep our environment clean.

Rowing & Paddle Sports Office, RHKYC

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