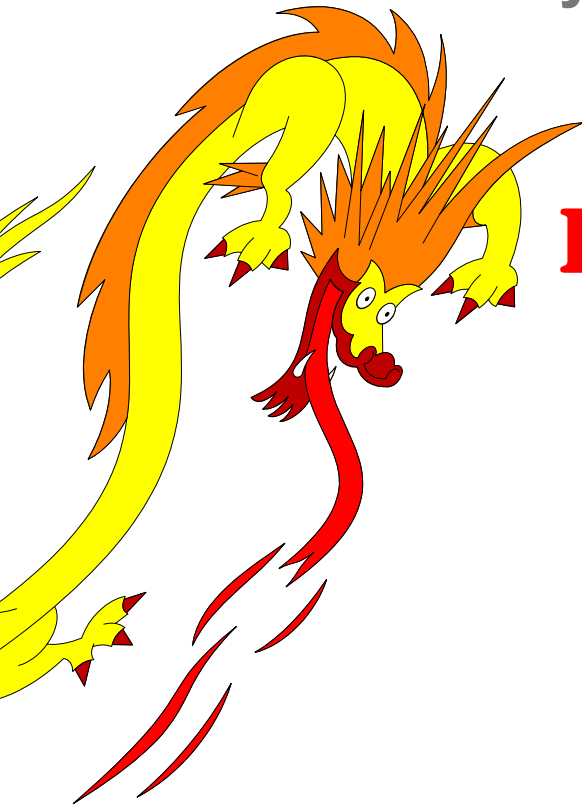


The Rotary Club of Abingdon Vesper Presents



Dragon Boat 2010

Sunday 9th May



Venue: River Thames, Abingdon
Time: 10:00 - 17:00hrs

Teams

Up to 30 teams can compete on the day, with 16 people plus one drummer in each boat. Ideally each team should have 20 people so that different people can race throughout the day.

The minimum age for a team member is 16 years old.

Prizes for teams

To add to the fun, teams often come in fancy dress (Pirates, St. Trinian's, Smurfs, Vikings, etc) and a prize is always awarded to the best dressed team!

Prizes are also given to all individuals who raise £150 or more each and to all teams whose total team sponsorship is £125 per team member.

Entry fees

The fees for charities, voluntary groups and companies are as follows:

Charity or voluntary group - the entry fee is £495 including a £150 non-refundable deposit. In addition, the team will be required to do some fundraising.

Company - there are three options:

1. An entry fee of £495 including a £150 non-refundable deposit. In addition, the team will be required to do some fundraising

or
2. An entry fee of £995 (including a £250 non-refundable deposit) of which £500 is a donation to charities supported by the Rotary Club of Abingdon Vesper. Any additional fundraising by the team goes to charities of your choice

or
3. To provide corporate sponsorship of the Event including a complimentary team. Any additional fundraising by the team goes to charities of your choice

Fund Raising/sponsorship

Dragon Boat Racing is all about having fun while fundraising for charity! In the past, teams have raised £2000 each (which is £100 per person in the boat).

One third of the monies raised by a team goes to the Rotary Club of Abingdon Vesper's charities and the remaining two-thirds to charities of the team's choice.

Sponsorship form

A sponsorship form for each team is attached. If Gift Aid donations can be made then the Inland Revenue gives an additional 28p for every £1 donated.

Justgiving

Collecting sponsorship can be made easier through Justgiving, an online sponsorship page. Further information on how to set up a Justgiving page for your team is given separately.

Charities supported by the Rotary Club of Abingdon Vesper

The Rotary Club of Abingdon Vesper supports a broad range of projects both local and international. Community projects include the annual Barge trips on the Kennet and Avon Canal for local people with physical disabilities to regular transport for the Stroke Club in Abingdon. International projects range from supporting "Action for Children in Conflict" in Kenya, to supporting doctors in Tanzania. One-third of monies raised by teams competing in Dragon Boat Day 2010 will go towards such projects.

How to enter

Please complete and return the enclosed application form.

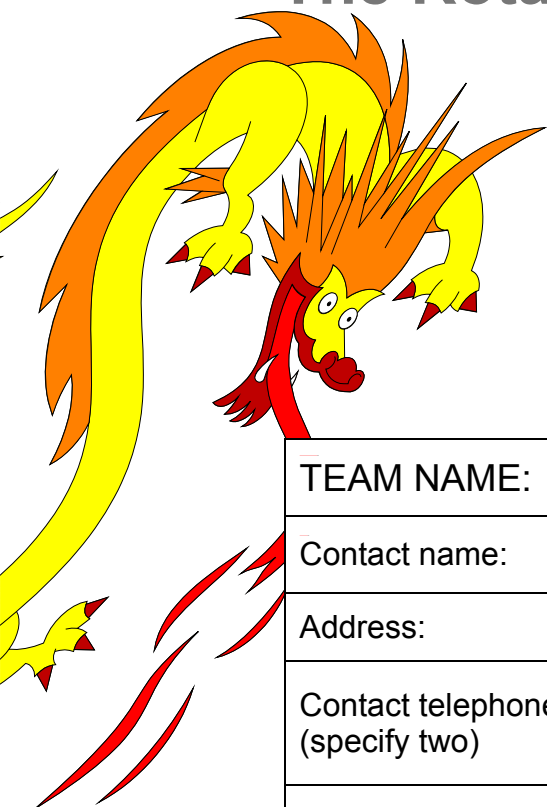
Alternatively, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email db2010@abingdon-rotary.org.uk

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Application form



TEAM NAME:	
Contact name:	
Address:	
Contact telephone numbers: (specify two)	
Email address:	
Type of team: (Tick one box)	Charity <input type="checkbox"/> Voluntary group <input type="checkbox"/> Company <input type="checkbox"/>
Company teams: Which entry fee option have you chosen? (Tick one box)	Option 1: £495 + fundraising <input type="checkbox"/> Option 2: £995 including £500 fundraising for the Rotary Club of Abingdon Vesper charities <input type="checkbox"/> Option 3: Corporate sponsorship including one complimentary team <input type="checkbox"/>
Do you know of any other organisations who might like to enter a team?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
	No <input type="checkbox"/>
	If yes, please provide contact details:

Please send your deposit (non-refundable) of £150 or £250 made payable to 'Rotary Club of Abingdon Vesper' with this form to:
DB2010, c/o Carol Hall, Windrose, Tucks Lane, Longworth, Abingdon, OX13 5ET



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Collecting Sponsorship is Fun!



Here are some suggestions about how to increase the amount of money you can raise through sponsorship and an attempt to make it easier for everyone as well as have some fun doing it!

Remember you are asking people to sponsor you to participate in DB2010 - you do not have to complete a course, a distance or keep going for a set time. So when someone has agreed to sponsor you, ask if you can have the money there and then which takes out all the hassle of going back to ask for their money after the event.

While collecting sponsorship, bear in mind the Chinese saying that *"a journey of 100 miles begins with just one small step"*, and think about:

- Dividing your team into 2 or 3 groups and run a competition between the groups to see which can raise the most money
- Delegating two or three individuals within the team to encourage, motivate and persuade all the team members to ask for sponsorship. Other members could be responsible for organising your team's fancy dress; refreshments on the day etc
- Approaching your company's customers and suppliers and ask for a £50 team donation. $10 \times £50 = £500$; $20 \times £50 = £1,000$. Delegate one or two individuals in the team who are regularly in contact with customers or suppliers
- Working out how many days there are until 9th May 2010 and aim to get one person each day to sponsor you for taking part. For example, there are 70 days from 1st March 2010 to 9th May 2010 and if you got £1.50 for each day, you will raise £107. Write out all the days on a A3 grid and ask each person to choose a day at the time of sponsoring you!
- Asking for a discount when you buy something and say the discount will be used as sponsorship. For example a 10% discount on £10 = £1; a 5% discount on £50 = £2.50.
- This also works when selling something. Add an extra £1 or £2 and ask if the customer is happy to sponsor you in this way

There are lots of ways to raise money - cake sales; car washes; dress down days; Christmas or Easter Egg raffles; bring n' share lunches; quiz nights etc.

And remember, the Rotary Club of Abingdon Vesper is offering the following prizes:

- A prize to all individuals who personally raise over £150 each
- A prize to all teams whose total team sponsorship is at least £125 per team member

