

Competitors' Confirmation.

Confirmation of Entry Name Class/description Crew/boat name Boat number.

Thanks for entering Nithraid. We look forward to seeing you at Glencaple on 24th August.

Please arrive early.

Please read the notes below.



Competitors' notes

Nithraid 2024 will be upstream with the tide from Glencaple to Dumfries.

<u>Please read the Course Notes in Rules</u> <u>and Schedule</u>.

https://thestove.org/nithraid/

The course is 5 miles. Some vessels may wish to return with the ebb to Glencaple to haul out at the slipway.

Sailing vessels please note:

There are three bridges in Dumfries with a minimum clearance of about 14ft.

Sailing boats must make provision to drop their masts or capsize to pass safely under.

Winds tend to follow the river, either

upstream or down, especially in the more sheltered upper stretches.

Glencaple



Launch. Access to the slipway at Glencaple is tight and the road is narrow. Boat trailers will be unhooked from vehicles in the road and manhandled by their crews to the area marked 'Boat Trailers' on the map. Towing vehicles must be removed immediately the trailer is unhooked and parked where indicated (see map.) Please do this quickly and follow the stewards' instructions. Vehicles left in the road

simply hold up the procedure for everyone else.

Clothing etc. can be left at the hall which will be locked during the race.

<u>Race Briefing</u> will be at the Barbour Memorial Hall at 1300. It must be attended by at least one person from each boat.

<u>Race numbers</u> will be provided at the briefing. They must be displayed and easily visible for the race timers at the start and finish.

<u>Cargo.</u> At the briefing, each boat will be given a cargo of a signal flag which, after they have crossed the finish line, must be delivered to a steward at a position above the finish line on the western bank. Flags will be taken

and flown on the suspension bridge as part of the spectacle. Flags may be flown on the vessels if possible.

Launch and Start.

Start times and order will be confirmed at the briefing.

Boats will be launched from the slipway or from the merse at Glencaple.

Once launched, boats can make their way to the start line at the Nith Inshore Rescue station in their own time. It will be a running start with each boat being timed over the course to the finish line in Dumfries. The finish line in Dumfries will be above the suspension bridge between a set of steps on the western bank and a point on the eastern bank. It will be clearly marked.



Dumfries

After completing the first leg, boats may moor along the Mill Green, on the left of the map, above the Cargo Drop-off.

Boats should have their own means of tying up to mooring pegs set along the Mill Green.

Boats hauling out at Dumfries.

Facilities to haul out in Dumfries will be provided. Details will be posted on the website. Or boats can return downstream to Glencaple.

<u>Race Timing:</u> Boats will be timed over the course and the final result will be posted on the Mill Green. Entrants can bring their own timing devices as a back-up.

We look forward to seeing you on the 2^{nd} Sept. Good luck and a following wind to all competitors.

Nithraid has been going for over 10 years and seen many changes over that time and is in the process of another major transition. Over the next two years Nithraid will become an independent organisation and the event itself, building on the success of this distinctive and unique celebration of the beautiful River Nith, and keeping the river race as its central element, will develop the Mill Green gathering into a creative festival of the natural environment.

The Nithraid Team.