

**ONSET ROWING CHALLENGE – 2023**  
**Sponsored by the Buzzards Bay Rowing Club**  
**FACT SHEET**

**Registration/Number Pick Up** .....12:00pm – 1:00pm

**Race Briefing** ..... 1:00 pm

**Race Start** ..... 1:30 pm

**Contact**..... Louise: 508-971-6925

**Required equipment on each boat**.....Coast Guard approved PFD for each rower  
Whistle  
Bailing device

It is REQUIRED for Coxswains and Boatsteerers and strongly recommended that rowers wear PFDs. It is recommended that participants wear water shoes to protect your feet at the launch site and clothes for cold-water immersion. All items inside the boat should be secured and protected in the event of a capsized. Rowers may face tide and/or wind issues. Please remember, it is on the water courtesy to check if a capsized boater needs assistance. Canoes must be seaworthy as this event is for experienced open water canoeists only. As with all on-water activities, safety should be the first concern of all participants and organizers. The Onset Rowing Challenge Race Committee reserves the right to cancel the race or keep individual boats from setting forth due to weather conditions or rower skill level.

**Numbers** should be placed high on the bow of the starboard side of the boat.

**Race Briefing:** All boatsteerers, kayakers and row boaters must attend.

**Race Course:** The race will start near the pier heading towards Wickets Island, row past it keeping it on your starboard side. Continue past Onset Island, also keeping it on the starboard side. Around a few markers and follow the channel back to the beach.

**Race Start** (subject to change on race day)

This race will be a standing start in waves/heats

Wave One: All kayaks and smaller boats will line up at the starting marker for their starting signal

Wave Two: All Whaleboats will line up at the starting marker for their starting signal.

Wave Three: All Gigs will line up at the starting marker for their starting signal.

**Award Ceremony** will take place immediately following the race inside Onset Bay Center. First, second and third prizes in multiple categories.

**Refreshments** will be provided to all registered race participants.

**Directions:** Go to the Events Page at [www.buzzardsbayrowing.org](http://www.buzzardsbayrowing.org)