

CLUTHA LEADER BIG RIVER FESTIVAL 2012



BIG RIVER RAFT RACE

SATURDAY 17TH MARCH 2012

Launch Site - Beggs beach (Balclutha/Clydevale Rd)

Entry Fee - \$5.00 per person

Race Safety Check – 1pm onwards

Start – 2pm

Age Limit – 13 years of age

RULES

- No alcohol permitted at start, on the rafts or to be consumed during the race.
- Participants under the age of 16 yrs must be accompanied by an adult (ratios 1:4).
- Life jackets compulsory and wet suits are recommended.
- The comprehensive safety check at the start site will include: life jacket, raft safety and alcohol free check, no pass no entry to the event.
- Rafts must have adequate rope for towing purposes, be suitable for river use, be home constructed or a suitable inflatable raft. Paddle power only.
- No dogs allowed at entry please as this is private land.
- The race is a fun event, however to keep it safe do not throw anything that could cause injury to people or property.
- Rafts must be removed from the river immediately you complete the course.
- Organisers may disqualify and request the removal of any participants, groups and rafts from the start site and the river at any time for any reason.
- The judges decision re winners of the race and theme competitions are final.

PRIZEGIVING - will be held 4.30pm (approx) at the A&P Showgrounds

PRIZE CATEGORIES

1st, 2nd and 3rd placegetters

Best Raft – Heritage Theme

Most Original Raft

Best Individual – Heritage Theme

A Kai Point Coal Bag must be visible at all times on your raft
(the bag will be provided by organisers on receipt of your approved entry form)

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THEME – HERITAGE

Saturday the 17th March 2012 2pm to 6.30pm
Balclutha A&P Showgrounds

Taking place as part of The Clutha Leader Big River Festival
are the following events.

The **SAM PERKINS RUN** (Cavalcade) is being staged on festival day to celebrate the 150year Jubilee of gold rushes in Otago. Cavalcade riders will start at 7:00am from the Mount Stuart Reserve and walkers at 9am from the Hillend Hall to connect with the raft race start at Beggs beach.

Some cavalcade participants will take part in the raft race in heritage themed rafts. Cavalcade inquiries contact; (03) 417 4373, e-mail; gemsellen@hotmail.com

The **KAI POINT COAL Co RAFT RACE:** 2pm start at Beggs beach with the finish on the Clutha river bank just southeast of the Balclutha road bridge.

Information and entry forms: www.cluthacountry.co.nz or www.sportclutha.co.nz

All participants are invited to the festival theatrical and musical tributes as well as prize giving for the raft race and the following events:

The **KEN MILNE CLASSIC** : 2pm start. This iconic event includes a established triathlon and duathlon and new prize category for secondary school students.

Information, course details, entry form www.cluthacountry.co.nz or www.sportclutha.co.nz

FUTURE OLYMPIANS & MINI OLYMPIANS: 2pm start.

Information and entry form www.cluthacountry.co.nz or www.sportclutha.co.nz

SOUTH OTAGO THEATRICAL SOCIETY PERFORMANCE: theatrical tribute and original songs performed by Folk music Icon Phil Garland.

There will also be food, refreshments and some market stalls.

All activities will centre around the area of the riverbank just to the south and east of the Balclutha road bridge, the A&P Showgrounds and the Clutha Rugby Clubrooms.

Return/post entry forms to
Attention: Jean Proctor,
Kai Point Coal Big River Raft Race, PO Box 36, Balclutha
or drop it into Development House,
6 John Street, Balclutha