

Beat the Boat 2020 update

Well this is the news that although many of us were expecting, we were hoping to avoid. The Beat the Boat 10k event planned for 16th August 2020 **has unfortunately had to be postponed until the Summer of 2021.**

We have held off postponing the event for as long as possible, with the hope that we had an outside chance of watching you all take on our 5 pace boats, along some of the most stunning scenery in Berkshire.

However, this decision has now been taken out of our hands. Eton College who own and manage the land that we use to host the event, have understandably made the decision that no mass events will be able to take part on the Brocas field for the duration of 2020.

Therefore all race entries for 2020 will automatically be carried forward to our 2021 event. (Date to be confirmed towards the end of 2020).

As we are now only 3 months out from the planned event date, this news has had a substantial financial effect on Runface and the Beat the Boat event. All of the costs in hosting the event from the Boat hire, to the loo hire, to the cost of all of the medals, have already been paid out in advance. Whilst we are able to roll some of these costs over to the 2021 event not all of these costs are recoverable.

We look forward to seeing you all in 2021 and hosting our best event yet. We thank you all for your understanding during these unprecedented times, and we wish you and your friends and families a safe and healthy 2020.

FAQ:

Q) Can I have a refund? A) Our standard terms and conditions haven't changed, and we will allow you to transfer your entry to another runner, but as a small company, our costs are already out, and the entry fee's have been spent on putting on the race, so a full refund for all entries isn't financially possible.

Q) Have you considered making the race virtual? A) We think what makes the Beat the Boat event so loved is the location and of course 5 boats full of spectators! (The complimentary beer and Prosecco on the way round might also help). We therefore think that the best solution would be to move the race, and your entry to a new date in 2021, when its deemed safe to do so.

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