

## Come Boating! 2024 Regatta Arrival & Boat Launching Instructions for Racers

**For boats being trailered that will require use of the boat ramp for launching** – please note the following information. Please reference this [map](#) for key locations. All numbered points below relate to indicated sites on the online map.

### ***Friday arrivals:***

- There is a limited amount of parking for boats on trailers available near the boat ramp (see map point #3).
- It is best to arrive after 5:00PM when parking spots near the boat ramp (see map point #2) start to become more available. Trailer parking will be first come first serve. We will ask you to park very close to each other to maximize space.
- There is public parking available in several lots around town for cars/trucks (map points #4 & 5 are the closest to the boat ramp). If the area near the boat ramp is full, there is a nearby unpaved lot along Front Street that may have additional parking and space available for boat trailers.
- Join us for the pre-race pizza party at the Waldo County YMCA from 5:30 -7:30 pm. Look for us under the outdoor pavilion. The Y is located at 157 Lincolnville Ave, Belfast.
- See below for Saturday boat launching information.

### ***Saturday arrival and launching:***

- Please keep in mind that Saturdays are busy days at the boat ramp and other boats besides those for the Regatta are also likely to be using the ramp. We recommend allowing yourself plenty of time as you may need to wait to get boats into the water.
- After launching, you may row boats along the shore to the beach adjacent to the Belfast Boathouse (see map point #9) and pull them up on the beach until shortly before the race.
- **Regatta check in will be open from 8:00 – 9:30 am on the lawn adjacent to the Boat House (see map point #6). All boats must check in no later than 9:30 am to receive their race numbers.** If you have not yet returned your signed waivers, please bring them with you to the check in area. A waiver with all racers' signatures is required to receive your race number.
- **The mandatory Captains/Coxswains meeting will take place at 9:45 am. near the Come Boating! tents next to the Boathouse.**
- The Belfast Rotary Club will be sponsoring a pancake breakfast from 7:30 – 10:30 am with pancakes and sausage available for \$5 at the Boathouse (see map point #6).

**For smaller craft not requiring the boat ramp**, you may launch your boats from the docks alongside the boat ramp (map point #3), the adjacent beach area, or the beach area adjacent to the Belfast Boathouse (see map point #9). *Please note that parking at the Boat House is very limited - if there is space available, please bring your vehicle in briefly to unload and vacate your space as quickly as possible to allow others in. There will be Come Boating! volunteers helping to manage traffic flow in this area.*

**A Regatta Beachmaster will be available near the Come Boating! Boat Shed (see map point #8) to assist arriving teams with trailer parking and boat launching Friday between 5:00 and 6:30 pm and Saturday between 7:30 and 9:00 am.**