

CORONATION

Ironbridge Coracle Regatta 2023

August Bank Holiday Monday
12 noon to 4.00 pm
at the Ironbridge Rowing Club,
Buildwas Road, TF8 7BJ



Free Entry! Parking £2.00
please note car park gates will be locked at 5pm

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Programme of Events

Time	Event	Registration / tickets
11:00am–3:30pm	Have a Go: Your chance to have a go in a coracle	Over 14s only £1.00/go. Register at the entry stand. Last registrations at 3:15pm
12:30pm	Novice: A race for real beginners	Register at the entry stand by 12:15pm
1:00pm	Intermediate: For those who may have dared before	Register at the entry stand by 12:15pm
1:30pm	Expert: For those who know what to do!	Register at the entry stand by 12:15pm
1:45pm	Water Safety Rescue Demonstration	
2:00pm	The Fussler Potts Challenge Race Sponsored by Moonshine & Fuggles Team challenge. 4 members per team, maximum 5 teams	Enter your team by email to admin@ironbridgecoracles.org by 24th August. Check in at the entry stand on the day by 12:15pm
2:30pm	Fish Kebabs: An intriguing race! Team challenge. Maximum of 4 in a team, minimum of 2 (which would mean both members going twice)	Register at the entry stand by 12:15pm
3:00pm	360 degrees: Dizzy Stuff	Register at the entry stand by 12:15pm
3:15pm	Polo: fast & furious! Team event. Minimum of 4 maximum of 6 in each team	Register at the entry stand by 12:15pm
3:45pm	Wacky Races – fastest race in crazy coracles! Individual race. Winner will be the first wacky Coracle to paddle from one side of the river to the other. The rules? – there are no rules...	Register at the entry stand by 12:15pm
4:00pm	Duck Race: From the Albert Edward Bridge to the Rowing Club Jetty.	Tickets available from the entry stand before 3:00pm.
4:15pm	Coronation Coracle Drift	The Grand Finale is a mass coracle drift accompanying our celebratory crown through Ironbridge. Wave us all off please!

King's Coronation Coracle Regatta

Thanks to Telford and Wrekin council's King's Coronation Fund we are able to have a little bit more fun at this year's Coracle Regatta and make it a really special occasion.

Our Fussler Potts race will see the poachers retrieving more than the usual fish!

We will finish this year's coracle regatta with a mass coracle drift accompanying our fabulous 2m tall willow woven crown decorated with the UK's 4 national flowers.

The crown was created by Mary Lewis and Cal Westbrook to celebrate the

coronation of King Charles III and in particular his passion for the environment and nature. We need to take care of our wonderful River Severn and all the wildlife that depends on it.



Meet the Artists and have some creative fun

This year you will have the chance to meet some of our local artists and be creative yourself! Each artist will have a fun activity for you to celebrate the King's Coronation

Cal Westbrook: An illustrator whose practice encompasses textiles, stitch and model making to explore folklore and whims. Make a felt animal complete with whimsical crown.

Caris Jackson: A mixed media collage artist. Help contribute to a large collage celebrating the heritage of the River.

Aya Sphynx: Painter and multimedia artist. Work with Aya to crochet a red, white and blue bracelet.

Mary Lewis: A basket maker who made the wonderful Willow Crown. Mary will be commentating on today's races.

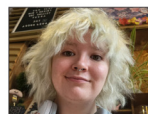
We couldn't do what we do without the support of some of the best creative minds locally. They help us with designing merchandise (available from on our online shop), publicity, writing books, working with groups and much, much more. Thank you!



Cal



Caris



Aya



Mary

For more information visit our website and free exhibits:

www.ironbridgecoracles.org

Visit the **free Coracle Stories** exhibition the **New Coracle Shed** at the Green Wood Centre, Coalbrookdale, TF8 7DR
Open everyday 9am-5pm

Join us on social media and upload your comments and photos:

Facebook: IronbridgeCoracleTrust

Instagram: ironbridgecoracle

Google maps: The Old Coracle Shed and the New Coracle Shed

Also visit the **Old Coracle Shed**, Ironbridge - on the river bank below the Ironbridge chip shop
and follow the **Interactive Coracle Trail** between the two sheds
www.ironbridgecoracles.org/map

Event organised by the Ironbridge Coracle Trust & Ironbridge Lions, with proceeds to local charities. We are grateful for the support of the Ironbridge Rowing Club and all our volunteers.



Thanks to local businesses who have donated prizes or provided help in kind: Moonshine and Fuggles, The Water Rat, Darby's 1779, Grays of Shropshire, Ironbridge Co-op, Telford and Wrekin Council, Shropshire Fire Service, Dr Pam Yuille, Cambers Country Store.

Ironbridge Coracle Trust supports the culture and heritage of coracles and coracle making in the Ironbridge Gorge and aims to conserve the coracle making shed formerly used by the Rogers family for over 50 years. The Trust would like to hear from you if you are interested in getting involved, and any stories you have about Ironbridge coracles. Any donations will be gladly received, and will go towards the work of the Ironbridge Coracle Trust.

Ironbridge Coracle Trust Charity number 1161685

We take your health and safety very seriously. Safety boats will be on the water throughout the coracle events in case of any accident.