

# The 'Fussler Potts'

## Community Challenge race



Monday 27th August 2018,

Ironbridge Coracle Regatta

Ironbridge Rowing Club, 12pm—4.00pm

2018 sees the introduction of a new race to the Ironbridge Coracle Regatta – the **Fussler Potts Community Challenge** race. Named after Fussler Potts, the infamous Ironbridge coracler (and poacher), the relay race is for teams of up to 4 people from community groups or businesses local to the Ironbridge Gorge. Team members must be willing to work together to take on a small challenge, have some fun, get wet and perhaps help raise some money for the Ironbridge Coracle Project.

Each intrepid four will race against up to four other teams, with team members taking it in turns to paddle a coracle a short distance, retrieve some booty and paddle back again to the bank as fast as they can, staying as dry as they can. Depending on the number of entries, there may be two heats and a grand finale. The fastest team will be able to claim the prestigious title of the **2018 Fussler Potts Champions** and have their team photograph displayed on the walls of the **Coracle Micropub** for time immemorial (well until August 2019!).

No prior experience of paddling is necessary but team members must be able to swim and will be required to wear a buoyancy aid whilst paddling. Coracles, paddles and buoyancy aids will be provided by the Ironbridge Coracle Trust. Fancy Dress optional but the sillier you look the better! **We will limit the number of teams entering the race to 10, so it is advisable to register your interest before the day.**

The start time is dependent on the timings of the other races but is likely to be around 3.00pm. Participants will be welcome to 'have a go' at 11.30am on the day of the regatta or to contact Ironbridge Coracle Trust prior to the regatta for an introductory session.

**Entrance to the race is a minimum of £10 per team. We are fundraising for the Ironbridge Coracle Project which will see the old coracle shed, which stands on the bank just below the Iron Bridge, converted to a mini-museum and an exciting new coracle heritage centre developed at the Green Wood Centre. We need your help, so donations to support your entry will be very welcome but they will not sway the judge's decision!**

# Fussler Potts Community Challenge

## Entry Form

### Team List

Please complete your entry form and return to **Juliaptinker@gmail.com** before the 27th August.

Teams will not be permitted to race on the day unless a form is completed and returned to the above email address.

(Please Print in Capitals)

Team Name .....

Team Manager .....

Paddler 1.....

Paddler 2.....

Paddler 3.....

Paddler 4 .....

### Team Manager's Declaration

I certify that the team members named above are over 18 years old, are water competent and can swim in light clothing. They are the only people who will take part in the race. No others will be substituted without them being added to this list. I accept that an incorrect team list may invalidate my team's public liability insurance cover.

We will commit to pay an entry fee of a minimum of £10 (payable on the day) to support the Ironbridge Coracle Project

Signature ..... Date .....

**We take your safety very seriously and experienced safety boaters will be on hand to rescue you if you should get into any difficulties. Please bring a change of dry clothes and a towel just in case!**

Please tell us a little bit about your team ... who you are paddling for and why.  
Please tell us a little bit about each team member as well ... something that you don't mind being broadcast to the whole audience! One interesting fact, at least, for each team member please!

**Team Info:**

***Juicy Information....***

Paddler One

Paddler two

Paddler three

Paddler four

*Good luck!*