

Coast 2020. Dunbar section: North Berwick to Paxton during 30 Aug -- 20 Sept
Dunbar could include clubs: Port Seton and Eskmuthie, North Berwick, Dunbar, St.Abbs, Eyemouth & Northumberland clubs (Amble, Craster) plus any others who wish to join us. We'll distribute briefings, tides, & photos of all stops & alternates!
We have coxes who are familiar with all sectors. Safety boat possible for some legs.

Itinerary: North Berwick -- Paxton 42nm (= 14hrs total at 3kts average)

1) North Berwick-- Dunbar 9nm = 3hrs pretty coastline, can circle Bass Rock if wished.
Launch: above half-tide best, wind N, W, S ok, slipway ok. Seabird cafe, toilets.
Alternates for safety: Canty Bay & Seacliff beach

2) Dunbar -- Cove 7.5nm = 2.5hrs. past Torness power sta, cliffs
Launch: any tide, wind NW, W, S ok, slipway OK. Cafe, toilets.
Alternates for safety: Skateraw harbour

3) Cove -- St.Abbs 9nm = 3hrs. exceptionally pretty, birds, cliffs (care at harbour entry!)
IMPORTANT: Cove is accessed only by walking up/down, so should be considered as a rest/crew-change! A boat cannot be launched/retrieved! **toilet** behind big rocks.
Alternates for safety: Pettico Wick 'old slip'

4) St.Abbs--Tweedmouth 10.5nm = 3.5hrs. very pretty, birds, cliffs
Launch: above half-tide best, wind NW, W, SW, slipway ok. Cafe, toilets.
Can rest/crew change at Burnmouth (about half-way, single toilet 'cubicle')
Alternates for safety: Eyemouth, Burnmouth, Marshal Meadows Bay.

5) Tweedmouth--Paxton 6nm = 1.5hrs (Tweed follows the border) pretty, 4 bridges, birds
Paxton -- Tweedmouth 6nm = 1.5hrs
Tweed: Springs, need to time HW at Paxton House to make return to Tweedmouth possible.
Launch: above half-tide best, wind NW, W, SW, slipway ok. Cafe, toilets.
Alternates for safety: river banks both sides of the river.

Public event: we'll plan this to fit our annual Paxton row, usually 20+ skiffs take part.

6) After the Tweed row is completed, then baton carried by road for ceremonial handover afloat at St Mary's Loch with Annan CRC. This closes the 'around Scotland circle'.

Our section's interest: Lighthouses, Bass Rock, Beacons, Castles, Harbours, Bridges, RNLIs, Torness power station, Siccar Point, St Abbs Head cliffs, Berwick has 4 bridges.
NB: in 1907 RMS Mauretania (sailing past St Abbs Head) steamed past the measured mile at a speed of 25.73 knots making her the fastest ship in the world. We can repeat this!!!

We'll make short videos & photos for a later SCRA 'big' video.
Funding £200 for expenses & Press: not yet.

Cheers, Kenny