

Cornish Pilot Gig Association

Racing – Consultation - Veteran Age Categories

Non Constitutional Proposal

Veteran age to increase to 41 years old from 2016, 42 from 2017, 43 from 2018 , 44 from 2019 and 45 from 2020; remaining at 45 for future seasons.

Super Vet age to increase using the same yearly increase, so 51 from 2016 up to 55 from 2020; remaining at 55 for future seasons.

Detail

Currently veteran rowers are able to participate in their category on from their birthday onwards. This proposal could mean a rower may be eligible for only the last part of each season should the current method of eligibility continue. Should this proposal be taken forward, rowers that will have their 41st birthday anytime 2016 would be eligible as a Veteran and so on til 2020, the same theory applied to the Super Vet age. From 2021 the age for participation will return to actual birthday.

Reasoning

There has been a steady decrease in genuine B crew crews racing at events, but an increase of veteran crews competing.

Raising the veteran age will not only keep older rowing racing longer, but also increase the competitiveness and window of opportunity for genuine B crew entries.

Consultation

Each club is asked to respond before Tuesday 30th June 2015 answering the following questions.

One response per club from a club committee member using the club email address and signature.

- Does your club agree with the above proposal?
- Should the age increase (to 45 and 55) just happen by 2016 without a steady yearly increase?
- What foreseen problems will this proposal cause your club if implemented
- Any other reasons for accepting or rejecting this proposal.

All official club responses to be sent to racing.cpga@gmail.com

There will be further opportunity for individuals to voice their opinion on a GigRower.co.uk forum
The results of this consultation will be made public to the membership in October 2015 with the result being made formal at the 2016 AGM