Radio Protocols for Launch Drivers & Boat Captains

The Club has 6 Pronto P5200 walkie talkie radios with high range antennae. These are stored in chargers in the boiler room.

Each handset is numbered with a corresponding charger, numbered to match.

These are the same type as the 8 sets that Claires Court School have so in total we have 14 radios that work together on site.

- 1. All launch drivers should take a radio so that all coaches are in communication on the water. If you are the only launch out, please take a radio and give one to the crew you are taking out or leave one with a responsible person on the bank. If another coach gets on the water you are in communication.
- 2. Radios 1 and 2 have an adapter to connect a lead to a Cox Orb or direct to a small speaker. There are two available. This means a coach can be in direct contact with the crew in an eight or coxed 4/4x. Non coxed boats can take a radio with one of the speakers so the coach can be in direct contact with the boat.
- 3. There is a register to sign radios in and out please use this.
- 4. In the event of a major incident on the water, coaches should broadcast location and request all other launches attend to help.
- 5. For night time rowing, all crews should take a radio and radio back to launch cover at each turning point.

The radios are waterproof and fully submersible, however, THEY DO NOT FLOAT!

So please do **not** drop them in the river unless you are able to go diving in after them.

Please read the Radio Operation document for selecting and changing the correct channels.

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