



Vacancy: Junior Squad Deputy to Lead Coach

Hexham Rowing Club is seeking an enthusiastic and experienced Deputy Coach to help our Lead Coach deliver our junior rowing programme. We are looking for someone who can inspire young athletes, contribute to a positive coaching environment, and support rowers from beginner level through to racing and competition. The successful candidate will coach in a professional, encouraging and creative way, build strong relationships with the coaching team, parents and volunteers. The role requires a strong commitment to safeguarding, welfare and safe practice at all times, in line with British Rowing guidance and club procedures. The Deputy Coach will work within a small team of coaches and be supported by our Lead Coach, Junior Coordinators and Club Committee. We have a wonderful squad of experienced and novice athletes who love their sport. Training takes place on a beautiful stretch of the River Tyne in Hexham, Northumberland and we have a good fleet of boats and equipment to support training and racing.

Role overview

- Support and contribute to Hexham Rowing Club's junior coaching programme including coaching both sculling and sweep rowing.
- Support the Lead Coach with crew selection.
- Deliver high-quality water and land training sessions for junior rowers.
- Support junior athlete progression from beginner to local and national competition level.
- Have a strong safety focus by continuously monitoring weather and river safety.
- Support race planning and attending events as required.
- Conduct and educate our athletes to carry out boat checks, boat cleaning, maintenance, and minor repairs desirable.
- Supporting recruitment and retention of squad members.
- Work closely with the Lead Coach, parents, volunteers and club members to create a positive junior coaching environment.
- Attend the majority of our weekday evening (times/days to be discussed) and weekend sessions on Saturday and Sunday 1-3pm and possibly local and national junior events.
- Ensure safe practice in line with British Rowing guidance in relation to safeguarding and child protection, health and safety, confidentiality and equality of opportunity.



Key details

- Support the Lead Coach and junior squad to reach their goals.
- Hours to be discussed with the individual, up to 8 hours/week with possible additional if needed to support local and national events.
- Based at Hexham Rowing Club and riverside training locations, with most activity taking place outdoors.
- Rowing coaching experience preferred, with emphasis on coaching juniors.
- Level 2 Coaching (or working towards) with British Rowing Coach membership.
- Must be self-employed.
- Pay dependent on experience and qualifications.
- Ability to tow the trailer and or a launch desirable.
- Preferred start date: early September 2026.

How to apply

To apply, please send your CV and a short covering letter outlining your experience and suitability for the role. References and a DBS check will be required. We look forward to hearing from candidates who can make a positive contribution to Hexham Rowing Club.

Application closing date: 23rd July 2026

Contact for enquiries/applications: hrcsecretary@gmail.com