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Back with a Splash! Newark Dragon Boat Festival Returns to the River Trent in 2025

The Newark Dragon Boat Festival is making waves once again on Sunday 14th September 2025, and it promises to be bigger, bolder, and more meaningful than ever – all in support of two local charities, the Children's Bereavement Centre and Beaumont House Hospice Care.

The charities are incredibly grateful to this year's headline sponsors – GXO in partnership with Currys, Urban & Civic, and Marshalls – whose support ensures this fantastic community event continues to thrive.

“Each year, GXO in partnership with Currys, proudly support the Newark Dragon Boat Festival, honouring the spirit of unity while backing the incredible work of the Children's Bereavement Centre and Beaumont House. We paddle together, not just as a team, but as a community.”
— GXO

“I'm really looking forward to working with the Children's Bereavement Centre and Beaumont House Hospice Care on the Dragon Boat Festival and more generally collaborating.”
— Simon Murphy, Urban&Civic

“As a local family business we like to support local charities that benefit local people, our customers and our staff. Sponsoring this years Dragonboat Festival is a great way to raise vital funds for Beaumont House and the Children's Bereavement Centre, two very worthy local charities.”

-Paul Marshall, Engineering Director, Marshalls of Sutton on Trent

This colourful, high-energy festival brings together local businesses, community groups, and families for an unforgettable day on the water. It's not just about competition – it's about compassion, connection, and community spirit.

Team Registration Now Open!


Do you have what it takes to take home the trophy—or at least make a splash? We are now inviting **teams of friends, colleagues, and local organisations** to register for the 2025 race! Whether you're seasoned paddlers or total beginners, this is your chance to be part of something truly special while raising vital funds for families across our region.

 **Register your team today at newarkdragonboatfestival.co.uk/registration**


Let's come together on September 14th, celebrate the power of community, and help make a difference where it matters most.


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