



2024 Bun Carnival – Bun Scrambling Competition – Prospectus –

Jointly Presented by

Leisure and Cultural Services Department

Hong Kong Cheung Chau Bun Festival Committee

In Association with

Cheung Chau Wai Chiu County Association Limited

Cheung Chau Rural Committee

Islands District Office of the Home Affairs Department

China Hong Kong Mountaineering and Climbing Union Limited

Sponsored by

Otsuka Pharmaceutical (H.K.) Ltd.

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Objective: To promote the local tradition of bun scrambling and integrate into it modern climbing techniques so that bun scrambling events can be staged in a safe and orderly manner.

Location: Soccer pitch of Pak Tai Temple Playground, Cheung Chau

Fee: Free of charge

Details:

Activities	Date (Day of Week)	Time	Quota	Details
Training on Bun Tower Climbing	7 April 2024 (Sunday) (Note) [Fallback day for training: 13 April 2024 (Saturday)]	9:00 am to 7:30 pm (three sessions)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants must attend and complete the safety training on bun tower climbing and fall prevention provided by the China Hong Kong Mountaineering and Climbing Union Limited (CHKMCU). Training covers an introduction to equipment and their use, safety rules, basic climbing techniques and practice. Participants should have knowledge of the proper and safe use of equipment provided by the Organisers, and complete the training and practice during which they have to climb to a specified height of the bun tower within a specified time by using top roping and fall arresting device.
Selection Contest for the Bun Scrambling Competition - Preliminary Round	14 April 2024 (Sunday) (Note) [Fallback day for the Selection Contest: 28 April 2024]	2 pm to 4 pm	200	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only participants who have completed the training are qualified to take part in the Preliminary Round of the Selection Contest. The 24 participants (including at least 6 female participants) who climb to a specified height on the bun tower and give out a signal by hitting the signal device (chalk bag) in the shortest time will qualify for the Semi-final Round of the Selection Contest. Those 24 participants will be required to attend and complete on the same day another round of safety training on bun tower climbing and fall prevention before they can take part in the Semi-final Round. In the event of a tie for the last place between 2 or more participants with the same finishing time, a climb-off will be arranged immediately for the participants concerned to determine to whom the last place will be offered.

Activities	Date (Day of Week)	Time	Quota	Details
Selection Contest for the Bun Scrambling Competition - Semi-final Round	14 April 2024 (Sunday) (Note) [Fallback day for the Selection Contest: 28 April 2024]	4 pm to 6 pm	24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In the Semi-final Round, participants will have to climb to a specified height on the bun tower, give out a signal by hitting the signal device (chalk bag), and land using the fall arresting device. The finishing time will be taken as a participant lands with both feet. The 12 participants (including at least 3 female participants) with the shortest finishing time will qualify for the Bun Scrambling Final. In the event of a tie for the last place between 2 or more participants with the same finishing time, a climb-off will be arranged immediately for the participants concerned to determine to whom the last place will be offered.
Bun Scrambling Final	15 May 2024 (Wednesday) to 16 May 2024 (Thursday) (Note)	From 11:30 pm on 15 May 2024 to 12:45 am on 16 May 2024	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants in the Men's and Women's Divisions will compete in the same race. The finalists will scramble for buns in their own lanes within the time limit and the one who has the highest total score wins. In case of a tie, the ranking of the participants concerned will be determined by their finishing order in the Selection Contest. Prizes will be awarded to the champion and the first and second runners-up in the Men's Division, and the champion in the Women's Division.

Note: In case of inclement weather, the activities on that day will be rescheduled or cancelled. Please refer to the “**Inclement Weather Arrangements**” below for details.

Entry Requirements:

1. Aged 18 or above; and
2. Be of good health and physical fitness.

Prospectus and Enrolment Forms are available at:

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| 1. Hong Kong Cheung Chau Bun Festival Committee
(2/F, 94 San Hing Street, Cheung Chau) | <u>Telephone No.</u>
2981 0542 |
| 2. Leisure and Cultural Services Department | |
| (a) District Leisure Services Offices | |
| (b) Sports Centres in Islands District | |
| • Cheung Chau Sports Centre | 2981 6285 |
| • Mui Wo Sports Centre | 2984 2334 |
| • Peng Chau Sports Centre | 2983 8420 |
| • Praya Street Sports Centre | 2981 5409 |
| • Tung Chung Man Tung Road Sports Centre | 2109 2421 |
| (c) Website of the Bun Carnival (https://www.lcsd.gov.hk/en/bun/index.html) | |
| 3. Cheung Chau Wai Chiu County Association Limited
(2/F, 94 San Hing Street, Cheung Chau) | 2981 0542 |

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| 4. | Cheung Chau Rural Committee
(2 Cheung Chau Church Road, Cheung Chau) | 2981 0350 |
| 5. | Islands District Office | |
| (a) | Cheung Chau Public Enquiry Service Centre
(G/F, 22 San Hing Street, Cheung Chau) | 2981 1060 |
| (b) | Mui Wo Public Enquiry Service Centre
(G/F, Mui Wo Government Offices, 2 Ngan Kwong Wan Road, Mui Wo) | 2984 7231 |
| (c) | Tung Chung Public Enquiry Service Centre
(1/F, Tung Chung Post Office Building, 6 Mei Tung Street, Tung Chung) | 2109 4953 |
| 6. | China Hong Kong Mountaineering and Climbing Union
(Room 1013, Olympic House, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay) | 2504 8125 |

Enrolment Method and Points to Note:

1. Duly completed enrolment forms should be submitted to the Islands District Leisure Services Office of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (Address: Room 622, 6/F, Harbour Building, 38 Pier Road, Central, Hong Kong) in person, by fax (Fax No.: 2854 3949) or by post (the postmark date will be deemed the date of submission; the words “Bun Scrambling Competition” should be marked on the envelope) **by Monday, 18 March 2024**. To submit enrolment forms by post, please ensure all mail items bear sufficient postage. The Organisers will not accept underpaid mail items, which will be handled by the Hongkong Post. For details of postage calculation, please refer to the Hongkong Post’s website (http://www.hongkongpost.hk/en/postage_calculator/index.html).
2. **For verification of eligibility, applicants must produce the original or a copy of their identity documents when submitting enrolment forms in person, or attach a copy of their identity documents when submitting enrolment forms by fax or by post.** Applicants who live, work or go to school on Cheung Chau are given priority in the ballot. **Copies of documentary proof of residence, work or study must be submitted together with the enrolment form in order to enjoy priority.**
3. If the number of applicants exceeds the quota, places will be decided by ballot. Successful applicants will be notified of the details of training in writing by Thursday, 28 March 2024. Unsuccessful applicants will not be notified individually.
4. The enrolment form must be duly completed and the information provided therein must be true and correct. Participants who provide false information shall be disqualified. All results recorded under their names will be voided and their positions taken by the next participant in the order of results.
5. The personal data provided by applicants will only be used for purposes relating to enrolment, compilation of statistics, future contact and promotion of this activity and will be destroyed after its conclusion. No person other than staff authorised by the Organisers will be given access to such personal data.

Inclement Weather Arrangements:

1. If Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 3 or above, or the Red/Black Rainstorm Warning Signal is issued and remains in force three hours before the Training on Bun Tower Climbing on Sunday, 7 April 2024, the Training on that day will be postponed to Saturday, 13 April 2024 at the same venue, with exact time to be confirmed. In the event of inclement weather such as persistent heavy rain or thunderstorm warnings issued by the Hong Kong Observatory before the Training, participants should report to the venue as scheduled. The Organisers will decide whether to proceed with the Training having regard to the weather conditions.

2. If Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 3 or above, or the Red/Black Rainstorm Warning Signal is issued and remains in force three hours before the Selection Contest on Sunday, 14 April 2024, the Selection Contest on that day will be postponed to Sunday, 28 April 2024 at the same venue, with exact time to be confirmed. In the event of inclement weather such as persistent heavy rain or thunderstorm warnings issued by the Hong Kong Observatory before the Selection Contest, participants should report to the venue as scheduled. The Organisers will decide whether to proceed with the Contest having regard to the weather conditions.
3. The Bun Scrambling Final will be cancelled if Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 3 or above, or the Red/Black Rainstorm Warning Signal is issued and remains in force three hours before the Bun Scrambling Final. In the event of inclement weather such as persistent heavy rain and thunderstorm warnings issued by the Hong Kong Observatory before the Bun Scrambling Final, participants should report to the venue as scheduled. The Organisers will decide whether the Competition should continue having regard to the weather conditions. **Should the Bun Scrambling Final be cancelled, a prize presentation will be held immediately based on the results of the Selection Contest for the Bun Scrambling Competition.**
4. In the event of inclement weather such as persistent heavy rain or thunderstorm warnings issued by the Hong Kong Observatory during the events, the Organisers will maintain communication with the participants and keep them informed of their latest decisions and arrangements (including revised rules, if any) made in respect of the events.

Date and Place of the Ballot:

If the number of applicants exceeds the quota, places will be allocated by ballot, which will be held at 4:00 pm on Friday, 22 March 2024 on Room 1414, 14/F, Harbour Building, 38 Pier Road, Central. Members of the public are welcome to attend the ballot.

Prizes:

Trophies will be awarded to the champion and the first and second runners-up in the Men's Division, and the champion in the Women's Division. The champions of the Men's Division and Women's Division will have direct entry to both the Training and Selection Contest in the following year without the need for ballot. A special prize, namely "Full Pocket of Lucky Buns", will be awarded to the participant who bags the largest number of buns. Starting from 2016, the "King of Kings" Award and the "Queen of Queens" Award have been presented to any winner who has won the champion title three times in total in the Men's Division or the Women's Division respectively. Past holders of the "King of Kings" Award or the "Queen of Queens" Award are required to win the championships another three times in total before being able to get the same titles again.

Adjudication:

The panel of judges consists of representatives from the two major Organisers and the CHKMCU.

Rules: Please refer to the Notes to Participants of the Bun Scrambling Competition.

Appeal: No appeal will be accepted. The decision of the judges shall be final.

Enquiries: Islands District Leisure Services Office of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department
(Tel. No.: 2852 3220)

**In case of any deficiency in this Prospectus,
the Organisers reserve the right to amend it at any time without further notice.**