

## Sponsorship



## Introduction

The World's Toughest Row is not only a physical and mental challenge, but a logistical one. Overall costs to fund such an endeavour is in order of £100k. Most of this comes from the ocean rowing vessel needed to cross an ocean which can be about 55% to 65% of the total costs. Hence, getting to the actual start line of the race in La Gomera can be thought as being much harder than rowing across the ocean itself. Over 30 crews (100 rowers) each year compete in the Atlantic race thanks to generous support from corporate sponsorships which not only allow crews to race and achieve their dreams, but also support charities the crews are fundraising for.

As a commitment to the Atlantic challenge, I am self-funding the cost of the boat (£65,595). This boat is an R25 from Rannoch Adventure and I have bought one brand new from them and collected her in April 2024. The boat will be very bare bones and the cost exclude oars and essential kit such as lifejackets, harnesses, survival locator beacons and handheld radios.

Your support will be greatly appreciated and will allow me to fully focus on the physical and technical aspects of ocean rowing. My time at Bradford Amateur Rowing Club has been the catalyst for my competitive spirit. When I get to La Gomera in 2025, I will be aiming to cross the Atlantic in a competitive time rowing more than 16 hours daily for over the course of the race.



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#### **Sponsorship Targets:**

#### First Milestone: £2500:

At this milestone, I will be able berth the boat at Hartlepool Marina which will allow me to train in the bay. Rowers are required to do 120 Hours minimum, 24 hours in darkness and one outing over 36 hours. However, I am going to do as many hours between May 2024 and October 2025 as I realistically can. Mastery over the vessel and its controls and equipment will ensure a fast and safe crossing over the Atlantic.

#### Second Milestone: £10,000:

At this milestone, I will be able to prepare all the food I will need for the crossing and all the equipment that will be needed. The organizer's safety team enforce a 100 days' worth of food for solo rowers and rowers can burn an excess of 5000 calories a day, which is a large quantity of ration packs.

#### Third Milestone: £30,000:

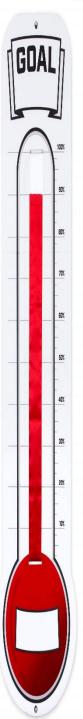
At this milestone, I will be able to officially enter the race and be able to travel and stay in La Gomera and Antigua.

#### Fourth Milestone: £45,000:

At this milestone, I will be able to ship the boat from the UK to La Gomera and back to the UK from Antigua.

#### Final Milestone: £110,000:

At this milestone, the cost of the boat will be paid off and I will be able to donate 100% of the sale of the boat to the River's Trust charity to which I am supporting.





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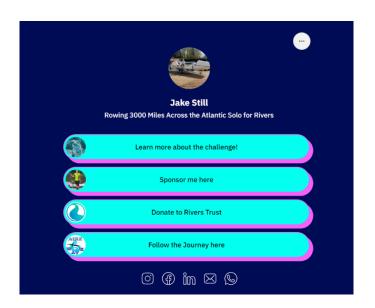
Sponsorship Tiers: What I can do for my sponsors at different levels of support.

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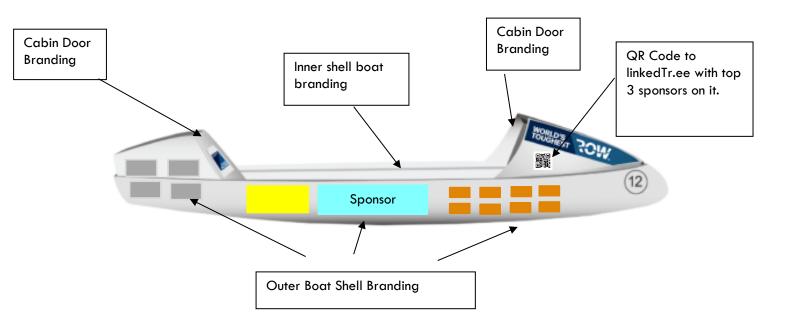


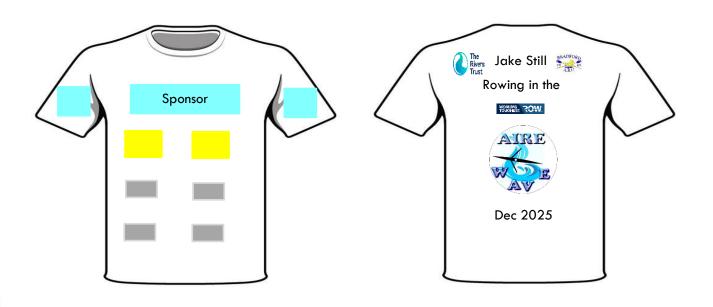






### Sponsorship templates: Rough guides (Not to scale)









#### What I will be doing:

<u>Showcases</u>: At the moment, I have organised to display my boat in various places around Pudsey, Shipley and Baildon. I can also work with my partners to display the boat in various places across the UK to target their specific demographic audience. The showcases will be about talking to locals about my Atlantic campaign with banners and the boat shell acting as advertisement for local businesses in West Yorkshire. Showcases at Farsley Festival and Baildon Carnival and at Sunny Bank mill, 20,000+ people in total.

<u>Videos:</u> I will be documenting everything that I do once I acquire the boat. Making video shorts of my journey. The lifestyle of ocean rowing, how I am training, what I am eating, how I go through tidal lock at Hartlepool Marina, navigating at night etc. These videos will appear on YouTube, Instagram and TikTok. Such things will include drawing shapes on GPS tracker to not only practise with navigation but build cool stories.

<u>Local Media:</u> Currently working with James Bowling on telling my story on the Squeaker which is local journalism around West Leeds. A total of 35,000 copies released in May 2024.

<u>Talks:</u> I have plans to arrange talks about my journey and crossing to the rowing clubs within the Yorkshire region as well as local Scouting groups and schools within Leeds. I can also work with my partners to do talks around the UK and target their specific audience. This something I will be doing pre and post Atlantic crossing.

<u>Data and social media:</u> I will also be keeping my data collection going on my distance rowed, the calories burned and represent these graphically as bar charts and geospatial mapping of what those numbers would like across the Atlantic. These posts will appear on my Instagram, Facebook, my Website and my LinkedIn.

<u>Posters and Banners:</u> I have organised to place a banner outside of my clubhouse advertising the campaign as well as showing these in front of the boat showcases.

<u>Blog:</u> Got a blog going on the Rivers Trust which is the charity partner I am working with. They have shared the introduction of the Atlantic campaign on their website, LinkedIn and Instagram and agreed to share more content as the campaign progresses. Approximately 27,000+ national social media reach.