# ROW THE ERNE UK & IRELAND

## **PARTICIPANTS**





Adults and young people.

Mostly women.



### **DURATION**

**Weekly rowing** 

### **ACTIVITIES**

Rowing



## **NUMBER OF SURVEYS**

- **≫ 80** Surveys were sent
- **28** Surveys were received







## PHYSICAL HEALTH

#### Top physical health benefits

- » 31% of participants had changed habits to meet recommended levels of physical activity
- » **78**% of the respondents indicated that that their health in general has changed to somewhat better or much better as a result of rowing

## MENTAL HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

#### Top mental wellbeing benefits

- » **82**% of respondents felt that their overall well-being has changed somewhat better or much better
- » Using the World Health Organisation well-being survey rowing appears to create a12.3% point increase in well-being
- » 100% felt that they found it quite a bit or extremely therapeutic being out on the water

## **ENVIRONMENT**

#### **Top Environmental benefits**

- » 75% also indicated that they felt more connected to Lough Erne where they row
- » 89% indicated that they felt more engaged to wildlife now?
- » 82% feel much more aware of environmental issues

## TEDUCATION AND LIFE-LONG LEARNING

#### **Reported Top Educational benefits**

- » 75% indicated that they have much better understanding of weather and its impacts
- » 68% stated that it is important to row to places that have a strong sense of cultural history

## MAIN BENEFIT IDENTIFIED

100% of members felt that it was very therapeutic being out on the water

### COMMUNITY

**56**% have indicated that they have close personal friends that they can share concerns with

68% have indicated that they feel a strong sense of loyalty to the club

75% feel a strong sense of community

## **TOP QUOTES**

"Being on the water in 2014 helped me out of depression."

"I feel a real sense of having a place in the community, a real purpose, a sense of belonging."

"Learning new skills. Increased fitness and mental bell-being through access to the water. Team building & tolerance."

32% felt that their confidence and safety in water environments had improved quite a lot or extremely through rowing?

100% indicated that they enjoyed going to new places to row?

93% indicated that it is important that the boat provides them with the opportunity to access the water

AVERAGE VALUE GENERATED

**€12,428** 

