

# R F BENNETT MEMORIAL SHIELD REGATTA

## 22 November 2014

### Conditions of Entry

1. Events are rowed under the NZ Rowing Association Rules of Racing and Directives for Regattas with special conditions applied by the ARA.
2. Events are rowed on approximately 1000m course.
3. Lane 1 is the position nearest the starter.
4. All crews must be at the start zone 5 minutes before the actual race time.
5. Every rower must wear either their club or school colours.
6. Coxswains weights are to be 55kg for all events. Crews are responsible for their own weights. Spot checks will be made by the ARA Representative following races. Crews with underweight coxswains will be disqualified.
7. Bow balls must be the correct size and correctly attached.
8. Coxswains must wear a New Zealand Safety Standard approved lifejacket.
9. In accordance with ARA safety requirements, all boats racing MUST have heel restraints with a maximum of 70mm free movement. Failure to provide these may result in the boat being disqualified from the regatta. Heel restraints must have a maximum 70mm free movement.
10. For bow coxed boxed boats there must be an exit facility for coxes.
11. Attendance at the safety meeting at 7.00am prior to the start of the regatta is compulsory for all Clubs and Schools. Those that do not attend will not be allowed to race until they have received instruction from the officials.
12. Programme alterations may be made to suit the day's weather conditions.
13. Umpires and starters may combine races at their discretion.
14. Boats to be identified by fixed bow numbers.  
  
Note, bow numbers will be based on an alpha numeric system and MUST be used to identify crews for each race. These bow numbers will be supplied by the ARA from the Regatta Secretary's NSRC Control tent.
15. Late entries accepted only where numbers permit. Payment must accompany late entries otherwise the crew will not be allowed to start.
16. Late scratchings must be handed to the Regatta Secretary before the start of the regatta or if crews are scratched during the day they need to be notified well before the race is due to be run during the day.
17. Crews must finish outside the marked buoy anchored close to the finish. Failure to do so may result in disqualification.
18. The ARA will mediate any disputes regarding racing, and their decision will be binding.
19. All Clubs must pay entry fees and tent site fees prior to race day. In the event of the regatta being cancelled, the ARA will mediate any refunds.
20. Regional Performance Centre's may enter composite crews in any Open class events

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### IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR SCHOOLS & CLUBS

- Only vehicles towing boats and official cars with a parking pass will be allowed entry to the car park. Limited disabled parking is available.
- The Boat Park will be open on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November from 3pm-6pm, and on Saturday from 6am. Security will be provided by the organisers on Friday evening to Saturday morning.
- Buses are not permitted in the Park of Sylvan Park Avenue. Please advise buses of this restriction.
- Parking has been restricted in Sylvan Park Avenue as a condition of use of the reserve. Please observe the requests of the regatta marshals.
- Car parking suggestions and free Shuttle Bus service is outlined in the attached flyer.
- Regatta traffic is not permitted into the cul-de-sac past the park gates.
- For safety reasons, the boat park should only be used by rowing squad members, coaches and officials. Spectators should be encouraged to stay out of the boat park area.
- Auckland Council has signalled their intention to strictly enforce parking restrictions around Lake Pupuke during the regatta. In particular any vehicles parked on verges or designated no parking zones will be automatically towed.
- Exclusion of All Liability

North Shore Rowing Club remind all clubs, schools and rowers participating in this regatta that while every care will be taken by the Regatta Officials to ensure that the regatta is conducted safely and efficiently, and in accordance with the rules established by the Auckland Rowing Association, it is the responsibility of the Clubs to ensure safe rowing activity.

Further, it is a condition of participation in this Regatta that all participants accept and note that no liability whether in tort of any nature whatsoever is accepted by or will attach to the Auckland Rowing Association or the North Shore Rowing Club, for any harm, damage, loss, costs, expenses, inconvenience, interference of whatever nature incurred in the course of or in connection with or in any way related to the Regatta, regardless if whether any error or omission, wrong doing, oversight, negligence or other tort whatsoever on the part of any Regatta official or other person may be established.