

**Wanganui Rowing Association**  
**10,000**  
**2013**

**A Handicap Event for 8 Oar Boats**

**Format:**

A Rowing Race with the start line being at the Upokongaro Jetty, the finish is opposite the National Library Building, Somme Parade.

The start will be at 10.00 am on Sunday 10th November 2013.

Crews entering the event will be assigned a handicap determined by comparing prognostic times for eights of that particular gender and status, using the same information as was used for the 2013 Winter Series. That handicap will be applied to determine start order and time. i.e. the boat with slowest prognostic time will start first, the next boat starting thereafter as per there assigned handicap.

The winner will be the first boat to cross the finish line and all other positions assigned accordingly.

The status in which any crew competes will be determined by the status of the highest ranked member of the crew: i.e. if U17 and U21 athletes are in the same boat the crew will be considered to be a U21 crew.

**Wanganui Rowing Association**  
**Head of the River 2013**

**A Long Distance Race for Small Boats**

A Heads Race with the start line being at the Upokongaro Jetty, the finish is opposite the National Library Building, Taupo Quay. It is the preference that Clubs enter Eights as the priority boat and this event is for when numbers do not allow an eight but members still wish to be involved.

The first boat will start approx 9.45am, 15 minutes before the first Eight competing in the Wanganui 10,000 starts. Start position allocation will be from slowest to fastest (similar to Winter series).

The winning boat will be determined by comparing prognostic times as per the 2013 Winter Series.

### Safety:

The safety of all competitors is of obvious concern and all participants need to be aware of the rules of river usage, particularly the need to remain on the correct side of the river, which is the Eastern side (Wanganui East) going up stream, and Western side (Aramoho) while racing downstream.

Crews observed ignoring this rule will not be considered when allocating final placings for the event.

Another safety concern is crews arriving late to the start and putting themselves in potential conflict with those already racing.

To prevent this occurring, crew not in the start zone at 9.55 am on race day will not be allowed to start.

### Safety Briefing

A safety briefing will take place at each of UBC, AWRC & WCS involving a Club representative, the coxswain and stroke of each competing crew between 8.00am and 8.40am on Sunday 10 November 2013. Bow numbers will be distributed at this briefing.

### Start Procedure:

Crews will be called to the start as per their assigned handicap. A crew not at the start at the appropriate time will penalise themselves. Any crew crossing the start line prior to their assigned start time will be disqualified.

### Rules of Racing:

Marshall Boats or Buoys will be positioned on all bends where a crew crossing to the incorrect side of the river would achieve an advantage.

All crews shall pass such boats or buoys on the western (Aramoho) side. Any crew failing to do so shall be disqualified.

Any crew passing a slower crew will do so by passing on the stroke, or left hand side, of the boat being passed. Any crew passing on the incorrect side does so at their own risk.

On being correctly overtaken the coxswain of the crew being passed shall move his craft to the right. A failure to do so can incur disqualification.

### The Finish:

On crossing the finish lines all crews are to quickly move their craft down stream so as not to impede following boats.

Any crew heading back upstream must ensure they are as close as possible to the Wanganui East Bank, and must pay particular attention to those other boats still racing.

Trophy Presentation:

This will take place at the Aramoho Wanganui Rowing Club Lounge 45 minutes after the race finish.

Bow Numbers:

At the conclusion of the event all numbers are to be returned to the race officials at the Trophy Presentation

**ENTRIES FEE:            \$4.00 per seat for both events (incl GST)**

**ENTRIES CLOSE WITH:**

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