



CHRISTMAS REGATTA

16 – 18 DECEMBER 2011

Critical Dates

Wed 23 rd November 2011 – 8am	Regatta Entries Open
Wed 7 th December 2011 – 8am	Regatta Entries CLOSE.
Thursday 15 th December 2011 – 8am	Scratchings CLOSE
Friday 16 th December 2011 – 10am	Substitutions CLOSE
Fri 28 th January 2011 – 10:30am	Pre Regatta Safety Briefing - COMPULSORY

Summary of Charges

Eight	\$28.00	Late Scratching Fee	\$40.00
Four / Quad	\$22.00	Did Not Start Fee	\$40.00
Double / Pair	\$17.00	Non Progression Fee	\$50.00
Single	\$17.00	Non declared Substitution Fee	\$50.00
RNZ Seat Levy	\$1.00	Late / Supplementary Entry	\$20.00
Amenity Fee	\$12.00	Protest Fee	\$20.00 incl
Tent Site	\$150	Protest Appeal	\$50.00 incl

All Fees are plus 15% GST.

Regatta Notice

1. **Regatta Dates:** The regatta is a two and a half day regatta and shall commence at 12:00pm on Friday 16th December 2011 and shall then continue through to and include Sunday 18th December 2011.
2. **Regatta Venue:** The regatta shall be held at the Mighty River Domain, 602 Maungatautari Road, Lake Karapiro, Cambridge.
3. **Regatta Status:** This regatta is not a Classification Regatta and has no Classification Races as part of the program as defined by the NZRA Rules of Racing.
4. **Generally:** The Regatta will be conducted in accordance with the NZRA Rules of Racing and Regulations for Regattas except as now modified by Karapiro Rowing Inc (KRI) in these conditions or by the Race Committee in exceptional circumstances on the day, in the interests of safety and/or fair competition.
5. **Distance of Races:** The Distance of all races except adaptive races shall be 2000m. Adaptive rowing events shall be raced over 1000m.
6. **Course Description:** All races will be held on a buoyed, 8 or 9 wire 8 lane, straight course with a held start. The water for all intents and purposes is to be considered as still and without flow. Lane 1 shall be closest to the Judges Tower.
7. **Minimum Number of Entries:** If, at the close of entries there are less than 3 entries in any event, the event shall be withdrawn from the program.
8. **Qualification System:** In the situation where there are more entries than places in the Final, a qualification system shall be used to determine the Finalists for the Finals. The Qualification system will be a modified FISA system and may include qualification based wholly or partially on times. Time trials may be used to make up time should the regatta be severely delayed for any reason and cannot be completed using the published progression system.
9. **Maximum number of crews per race:** Generally, races will be limited to a maximum of eight crews, but in exceptional circumstances as determined by the Race Committee this may be extended to nine crews.
10. **Trophies:** There are no trophies awarded at this regatta, but points earned for wins and placings will count toward clubs total points at the end of the season for the Karapiro Trophy. RPC and Composite crews will not accrue points toward the Karapiro Trophy.
11. **Pre-Regatta Safety Briefing:** A Pre-regatta safety briefing will be held in the KRI Officials lounge at 10:30am on Friday 16th December 2011 and a second meeting for clubs whose first race is on day two at 6:15am on Saturday 17th December 2011. It is a requirement of participation in the regatta that an official from each and every club or School that submitted entries is in attendance. A Roll call will be taken.
12. **Disclaimer:** No responsibility or liability of any kind for loss or damage arising out of the conduct of the regatta shall attach to any of the regatta organisers or any of the regatta officials.
13. **Approval:** Currently these updated conditions have not been approved as required by the NZRA Regulations for Regattas.

14. List of Events:

SUNDAY PROGRAM

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| 1 | BOYS U17 SINGLE SCULL | 40 | MENS NOVICE EIGHT |
| 2 | GIRLS U17 COXED FOUR | 41 | GIRLS U15 DOUBLE |
| 3 | WOMENS CLUB COXED FOUR | 42 | BOYS U15 COXED QUAD SCULLS |
| 4 | WOMENS SENIOR SINGLE | 43 | MENS SENIOR COXLESS QUAD |
| 5 | BOYS U15 DOUBLE SCULL | 44 | GIRLS U17 EIGHT |
| 6 | GIRLS U15 COXED QUAD | 45 | WOMENS PREMIER COXLESS FOUR |
| 7 | WOMENS NOVICE DOUBLE SCULL | 46 | MENS PREMIER COXLESS FOUR |
| 8 | BOYS U18 COXLESS PAIR | 47 | BOYS U17 COXED FOUR |
| 9 | MENS CLUB COXED FOUR | 48 | GIRLS U16 COXED FOUR |
| 10 | GIRLS U18 DOUBLE SCULL | 49 | WOMENS SENIOR COXLESS PAIR |
| 11 | BOYS U16 COXED QUAD | 50 | BOYS U18 DOUBLE SCULL |
| 12 | MENS SENIOR SINGLE | 51 | WOMENS CLUB COXLESS QUAD |
| 13 | WOMENS PREMIER COXLESS PAIR | 52 | MENS SENIOR COXLESS PAIR |
| 14 | MENS PREMIER COXLESS PAIR | 53 | GIRLS U15 EIGHT |
| 15 | BOYS U17 EIGHT | 54 | MENS CLUB COXLESS QUAD |
| 16 | GIRLS U17 COXED QUAD | 55 | BOYS U16 EIGHT |
| 17 | GIRLS U15 COXED FOUR | 56 | MENS PREMIER SINGLE SCULL |
| 18 | MENS NOVICE DOUBLE SCULL | 57 | GIRLS U18 COXED QUAD |
| 19 | BOYS U18 COXED QUAD SCULLS | 58 | WOMENS SENIOR DOUBLE SCULL |
| 20 | GIRLS U18 COXLESS PAIR | 59 | WOMENS PREMIER SINGLE SCULL |
| 21 | WOMENS SENIOR COXLESS FOUR | 60 | BOYS U15 COXED FOUR |
| 22 | BOYS U16 COXED FOUR | 61 | GIRLS U17 DOUBLE SCULL |
| 23 | MENS SENIOR COXLESS FOUR | 62 | WOMENS NOVICE COXED FOUR |
| 24 | GIRLS U16 EIGHT | 63 | MENS SENIOR DOUBLE SCULLS |
| 25 | WOMENS CLUB DOUBLE | 64 | WOMENS CLUB EIGHT |
| 26 | BOYS U17 DOUBLE SCULL | 65 | BOYS U17 COXED QUAD |
| 27 | GIRLS U17 SINGLE SCULL | 66 | MENS CLUB EIGHT |
| 28 | BOYS U15 EIGHT | 67 | WOMENS PREMIER COXLESS QUAD |
| 29 | WOMENS PREMIER DOUBLE SCULL | 68 | WOMENS U20 SINGLE SCULL |
| 30 | MENS PREMIER DOUBLE SCULL | 69 | MENS U20 SINGLE SCULL |
| 31 | BOYS U18 COXED FOUR | 70 | MENS NOVICE COXED FOUR |
| 32 | GIRLS U18 COXED FOUR | 71 | MENS PREMIER COXLESS QUAD |
| 33 | GIRLS U16 COXED QUAD SCULLS | 72 | GIRLS U16 DOUBLE SCULL |
| 34 | MENS CLUB DOUBLE SCULL | 73 | WOMENS CLUB SINGLE SCULL |
| 35 | BOYS U16 DOUBLE SCULL | 74 | MENS CLUB SINGLE |
| 36 | WOMENS NOVICE EIGHT | 75 | GIRLS U18 EIGHT |
| 37 | GIRLS U18 SINGLE SCULL | 76 | WOMENS OPEN EIGHT |
| 38 | WOMENS SENIOR COXLESS QUAD | | |
| 39 | BOYS U18 SINGLE SCULL | | |

FRIDAY PROGRAM

1	BOYS U17 SINGLE SCULL	22	BOYS U16 COXED FOUR
2	GIRLS U17 COXED FOUR	24	GIRLS U16 EIGHT
5	BOYS U15 DOUBLE SCULL	26	BOYS U17 DOUBLE SCULL
6	GIRLS U15 COXED QUAD	27	GIRLS U17 SINGLE SCULL
8	BOYS U18 COXLESS PAIR	28	BOYS U15 EIGHT
10	GIRLS U18 DOUBLE SCULL	31	BOYS U18 COXED FOUR
11	BOYS U16 COXED QUAD	32	GIRLS U18 COXED FOUR
15	BOYS U17 EIGHT	33	GIRLS U16 COXED QUAD SCULLS
16	GIRLS U17 COXED QUAD	35	BOYS U16 DOUBLE SCULL
17	GIRLS U15 COXED FOUR	37	GIRLS U18 SINGLE SCULL
19	BOYS U18 COXED QUAD SCULLS	39	BOYS U18 SINGLE SCULL
20	GIRLS U18 COXLESS PAIR	41	GIRLS U15 DOUBLE

SATURDAY PROGRAM

3	WOMENS CLUB COXED FOUR	51	WOMENS CLUB COXLESS QUAD
4	WOMENS SENIOR SINGLE	52	MENS SENIOR COXLESS PAIR
42	BOYS U15 COXED QUAD SCULLS	55	BOYS U16 EIGHT
7	WOMENS NOVICE DOUBLE SCULL	54	MENS CLUB COXLESS QUAD
9	MENS CLUB COXED FOUR	57	GIRLS U18 COXED QUAD
44	GIRLS U17 EIGHT	56	MENS PREMIER SINGLE SCULL
12	MENS SENIOR SINGLE	60	BOYS U15 COXED FOUR
13	WOMENS PREMIER COXLESS PAIR	58	WOMENS SENIOR DOUBLE SCULL
14	MENS PREMIER COXLESS PAIR	59	WOMENS PREMIER SINGLE SCULL
47	BOYS U17 COXED FOUR	61	GIRLS U17 DOUBLE SCULL
18	MENS NOVICE DOUBLE SCULL	62	WOMENS NOVICE COXED FOUR
21	WOMENS SENIOR COXLESS FOUR	63	MENS SENIOR DOUBLE SCULLS
23	MENS SENIOR COXLESS FOUR	64	WOMENS CLUB EIGHT
25	WOMENS CLUB DOUBLE	65	BOYS U17 COXED QUAD
48	GIRLS U16 COXED FOUR	66	MENS CLUB EIGHT
29	WOMENS PREMIER DOUBLE SCULL	67	WOMENS PREMIER COXLESS QUAD
30	MENS PREMIER DOUBLE SCULL	68	WOMENS U20 SINGLE SCULL
34	MENS CLUB DOUBLE SCULL	69	MENS U20 SINGLE SCULL
36	WOMENS NOVICE EIGHT	70	MENS NOVICE COXED FOUR
50	BOYS U18 DOUBLE SCULL	71	MENS PREMIER COXLESS QUAD
38	WOMENS SENIOR COXLESS QUAD	72	GIRLS U16 DOUBLE SCULL
40	MENS NOVICE EIGHT	73	WOMENS CLUB SINGLE SCULL
43	MENS SENIOR COXLESS QUAD	74	MENS CLUB SINGLE
45	WOMENS PREMIER COXLESS FOUR	75	GIRLS U18 EIGHT
53	GIRLS U15 EIGHT	76	WOMENS OPEN EIGHT
46	MENS PREMIER COXLESS FOUR	77	BOYS U18 EIGHT
49	WOMENS SENIOR COXLESS PAIR	78	MENS OPEN EIGHT

15. **Closing Date for Entries:** Entries close at 8am on Wednesday 7th December 2012.

16. **Entry Mode:** Entries can only be submitted electronically on either the rowIT web site (<http://www.rowit.co.nz>) or alternately on rowIT via the Rowing New Zealand Web Site (<http://www.rowingnz.com>) prior to the closing date and time. No other form of entry will be accepted, either electronic, typed or hand written unless requested to be so by the entries administrator for the regatta.

17. Entry Fees: The following entry fees will be charged:

- Eights \$28.00 + \$8.00 (RNZ Seat levy) + 15% GST = \$41.40
- Fours / Quads \$22.00 + \$4.00 (RNZ Seat levy) + 15% GST = \$29.90
- Double / Pairs \$17.00 + \$2.00 (RNZ Seat levy) + 15% GST = \$21.85
- Single Sculls \$17.00 + \$1.00 (RNZ Seat levy) + 15% GST = \$20.70
- Amenity Fee \$12.00 + 15% GST = \$12.65

Entry Conditions

18. Program Structure: This regatta program is structured to again provide for the separate needs of both school and club rowing programs, but unlike previous years there is no need to choose which type of race is entered (Club or Age group)

19. Time Between Races for Athletes: The program has been designed to allow ample time (in the opinion of the Regatta Organising Committee) between events of the same Classification (Club, Senior, u16 etc.) and Discipline (Sweep or Sculling). Should there be less than 40 minutes between races of events that are within the same classification and discipline, then the race schedule will be adjusted to provide a minimum period of 40 minutes for competitors in these races. All other cases will not be considered, and should an athlete or crew in this situation not be in the start 2 minutes before the start of the race, then that crew shall be recorded as a 'Did Not Start' and levied the appropriate penalty.

20. Entry Entities: Entries may be submitted by Clubs, Schools or Regional Performance Centres. In the case of entries submitted by Clubs or Schools, they MUST row in the colours registered to the organisation that submitted the entries. Accounts for Fees and Penalties will be sent to the organisation (entity) that submitted the entry in all cases.

21. Club Events: (*Club, Senior and Premier grades*)

- a. These events will be raced with Heats on the Saturday and Finals on the Sunday
- b. Where there are eight or less entries in a Club event, a Heat will be raced on the Saturday to determine the lane draw for the Sunday Final.
- c. No Rower (excluding coxswains) may enter more than three events.

22. Novice Grade Events:

- a. These events will be raced with Heats on the Saturday and Finals on the Sunday
- b. Any rower or sculler that is of Novice grade may enter these events regardless of whether they are School or Club athletes.
- c. No Novice rower or sculler may enter more than three events.

23. Age Group Events: (*under 15, under 16, under 17, and under 18 grades*)

- a. Age group events will be raced with Heats on the Friday and Saturday, with Finals on the Sunday.

- b. Where there are eight or less entries in an Age Group event, a Heat will be raced on the Friday or Saturday to determine the lane draw for the Sunday final.
- c. No Rower (excluding coxswains) may enter more than three events.
- d. **Age groups will not be as defined as per rule 12 of the NZRA Rules of Racing.**
- e. Under 15 athletes are not allowed to enter Single Sculling events.
- f. **Under 15: (u15)**
 - i. Any Rower or Sculler under 15 years of age on the 1st January 2012.
 - ii. No under 15 rower or sculler is allowed to enter any Single or Double sculling event regardless of whether it is an Age group event or Club event with the exception of an under 15 Double scull event as provided by 21.f.3 below
 - iii. Clubs / Schools are limited to two (2) entries only in an under 15 Double Scull event.
- g. **Under 16: (u16)**
 - i. Any rower or sculler 15 years of age on the 1st January 2012
 - ii. U16 rowers or scullers may enter events of a higher age group.
- h. **Under 17: (u17)**
 - i. Any rower or sculler 16 years of age on the 1st January 2012
 - ii. U17 rowers or scullers may enter events of a higher age group
- d. **Under 18: (u18)**
 - i. Any rower or sculler 17 years of age on the 1st January 2012

24. Composite Crews:

The requisite approvals as required by rule 10 of the RNZ Rules of Racing must be in writing and signed by an officer of the relevant Local Rowing Association and emailed to entries@karapirorowing.co.nz prior to close of entries.

25. Regional Performance Centre Crews:

- a. Regional Performance Centre crews are to have the relevant written prior approvals for each rower from those rowers Local Rowing Associations prior to the close of entries as in Cl. 22 above.
- b. Regional Performance Centre crews are eligible to row in Premier and Open events only at this regatta.

26. Entries:

- a. All entries must be submitted electronically using the rowIT web site (<http://www.rowit.co.nz>) or alternately via the Rowing New Zealand Web site (<http://www.rowingnz.com>)
- b. Entries must include the **Names** and the current **Competition License Number** of all rowers and coxswains. An entry that does not contain all the correct information will not be accepted.
- c. Entries for Composite crews (including all RPC crews) must also include the Club Code for each of the individual rowers.

- d. Clubs or Schools will be invoiced in full for their entries by email within 24hrs of the close of entries to the last advised address for receiving accounts.
- e. The full entry fees are to be paid either by Direct Credit or Cheque within five (5) days of the close of entries.
- f. **Payment by Cheque:** An email must be sent to regattaentries@karapirorowing.com advising that payment has been made by cheque and cheques must be made payable to **Karapiro Rowing Inc.** for the full amount of the entry fees and posted in a timely manner so that they will be delivered within five (5) working days of the close of entries to:

Karapiro Rowing Inc
P.O.Box 1052
Cambridge 3450
- c. **Payment by Direct Credit:** An email must be sent to regattaentries@karapirorowing.com advising that payment has been made by Direct Credit to the account of **Karapiro Rowing Inc** at the **National Bank, Hamilton** – account number **06-0317-0531088-02** (**please ensure account suffix is correct**) with the club or school name supplied as a reference.
- d. **Payment by Credit Card:** This a facility that has been offered in the past. If you wish to pay by Credit Card please email regattaentries@karapirorowing.com
- g. Clubs who have outstanding entry fees from previous regattas will not be allowed to submit their entries nor have their entries accepted until all arrears are paid.
- h. Entries close at 8am on Wednesday 7th December 2012.

27. Tent Sites:

- a. Tent sites need to be booked as part of the entry process on the rowIT web site
- b. Tents are only to be erected on the allocated site
- c. Tent sites for this regatta are \$150.00 + GST for Front sites and \$120 + GST for Second row sites
- d. Tent Sites will be allocated by Random Computer Draw and the allocation will be published three days prior to the start of the regatta.
- e. Tents erected without permission will be charged for, or asked to be removed.
- f. The first 12 tent sites have been allocated last season through the tender round.
- g. Tents are not allowed to be erected earlier than 12pm (midday) on the day preceding the regatta, and are to be removed by 8pm on the last day of the regatta.
- h. No club or school or anyone associated with a tent site shall connect to any fixed power or water source on the domain without the express permission of Karapiro Rowing Inc.

28. Amenity Fees:

- a. Amenity fees are now calculated automatically as part of the entry process and will be invoiced by Karapiro Rowing Inc. at the close of entries.
- b. An Amenity fee has to be purchased for each and every rower and coxswain that is racing at the regatta.

29. **Late Entries:** Late entries may be accepted at the sole discretion of the Entries Administrator and shall attract a late entry fee of \$20.00 + GST per late entry for each crew entered.

30. **Supplementary Entries:** Supplementary entries may be accepted for this regatta to fill vacant lanes on such terms and conditions as advised at the time of calling for such entries. Athlete entry number restrictions will not apply to supplementary entries. Supplementary entries being entries that are accepted after the close of entries, shall attract a Late Entry Fee of \$20.00 + GST per crew entered.

31. **Boat Park:** No Boats are to be placed in the Boat Park before 12pm (Midday) on the Day before the regatta under any circumstances and are to be removed by 8pm on the last day of the regatta unless done pursuant a private arrangement between the Club/School and the Waipa District Council where the Club/School agree to pay all charges incurred to the Waipa District Council. No Trailers are to be parked in the Boat Park this season unless authorised in writing by Karapiro Rowing Inc.

Post Entry Conditions

32. Substitution of Rowers:

- a. Substitution of rowers (including coxswains) as provided by rule 15 of the NZRA Rules of racing and must be submitted to Regatta Control for approval before the start of the first race in that event. Regatta Control will make available to the Race Committee all substitutions that have been approved.
- b. Substitution of rowers can only be done ONLINE on the rowIT web site (<http://www.rowit.co.nz>) up until 10am on Friday 16th December 2011. After this time, substitutions have to be made at the Regatta Secretary's office at the Course.
- c. After the first race of an event, no substitution of a rower may be made except in the event of a serious illness, injury or other incapacity substantiated by a medical certificate or as permitted by the Race Committee in exceptional circumstances.
- d. After the first race of an event, a coxswain may be substituted with the express approval of the Chief Umpire in exceptional circumstances and with good reason – the decision and reason shall be documented and recorded with Regatta Control.

- e. A Club making a substitution for either a rower or coxswain after 10am on Friday 16th December 2011 must make that substitution at the Regatta Secretary's Office at the Control Tower.
- f. Crew names may be checked at any stage of the regatta, and if a crew is found to have members not as entered or advised to Regatta Control, then the Club/School shall be charged a monetary penalty of \$50 + 15% GST = \$57.50 for each member of the crew that is not as entered or advised. If the crew has not raced and is on the water, then the crew shall be excluded from the race in addition to the monetary penalty. If the crew has already raced, then the crew shall be disqualified in addition to the monetary penalty.

33. Scratchings / Non-Starters:

- a. Scratchings must be notified ONLINE on the rowIT website (<http://www.rowit.co.nz>) by 8am on Thursday 15th December 2011 to avoid incurring a late scratching fee. Clubs scratching before this time will receive a refund of 75% of the relevant entry fees.
- b. **Late Scratching Penalty:** Scratchings received after 8am on Thursday 15th December 2011 will be charged a Late Scratching Penalty of \$40 + GST.
- c. **Did Not Start Penalty:** A crew that has drawn to start in the Heat or Final of an event but which does not take part in that race shall be deemed to be a late scratching for the purpose of this condition and its Club shall thereby incur a late scratching penalty of \$40 + GST.
- d. **Non-progression Penalty:** Where a crew has progressed through the heats of an event to a final but does not take part in that final, its Club shall incur non-progression penalty of \$50 + GST (in addition to 31.c. above) of \$50 + 15% GST = \$57.50

34. Entry Restrictions by Event: KRI reserves the right to limit entries in any event that is over subscribed without prior notice to ensure that the full regatta program is able to be run completed in the time allocated. Where entries are to be limited, crews will be removed from the event in the following order and, if necessary, by random drawn ballot.

- a. **Under 15 Double Scull Events** shall be limited to two (2) entries per entry entity (Club or School)
- b. **For Age Group Events.**
 - i. Entries received after the closing date.
 - ii. Crews from a younger age group
 - iii. Lowest numbered crews (#3 crew is lower numbered than #2 crew)
 - iv. All other crews by random drawn ballot.
- c. **For Club Events:** (*Club, Senior and Premier grades*)
 - i. Entries received after the closing date.
 - ii. Crews from a lesser ability grade, starting with the lowest ability grade.

- iii. Lowest numbered crews (#3 crew is lower numbered than #2 crew)
 - iv. All other crews by random drawn ballot.
- c. **For Novice Events:**
- i. Entries received after the closing date.
 - ii. Lowest numbered crews (#3 crew is lower numbered than #2 crew)
 - iii. All other crews by random drawn ballot.

Race Day Conditions.

35. **Race Structure:** Every endeavour will be made to maintain the racing structure as proposed. However, Regatta Control after consulting the Race Committee reserves the right to alter, for any reason it sees fit, the program as published.
36. **Racing Colours (uniform):** Athletes are to race in the Official Colours of the entity that submitted the entries in the case of Clubs and Schools. Regional Performance Centres may row in their own strip PROVIDED that they have in writing the approval of the Clubs that their athletes derive from – such approvals need to be submitted with their entries (so that the correct colours can be displayed in the regatta programme booklet). Club and RPC colours are those that are registered with NZRA. School Colours are those that are registered with the NZSSRA.
37. **Responsibility for Safety and Fitness:**
- a. Each rower (including coxswains) participating in this regatta is primarily responsible to ensure that his /her boat is in a safe condition to go on to the water and that his or her crew is also fit to race. Any concerns about safety or fitness are to be brought immediately to the attention of the responsible official of that rower's club or school prior to the crew taking to the water;
 - b. Club and School officials are responsible for every crew from their club/school and specifically (1) that each crew's boat is safe to go on to the water by meeting the requirements of clause 44 of these conditions and (2) that the rowers are also fit to race.
 - c. Any continuing concerns as to safety and fitness are to be brought to the attention of the Chief Umpire prior to the crew taking to the water.
38. **Lake Use During Regatta:**
- a. **GREEN Flag** - the Lake is open either for training or racing as directed.
 - b. **RED or NO Flag** - the lake is closed to all regatta participants.
 - c. **Coach boats or non-rowing boats** - No coach boats or other non-rowing boats are allowed on the water at any time during the regatta or during any training associated with the regatta except as specifically permitted by Regatta Control.
39. **Training:**

- a. Training is permitted only when supervised by Karapiro Rowing Inc. at published times subject to review in the event of adverse conditions or change of programme.
- b. Training times will be advised by Regatta Control at the Pre-Regatta Safety Briefing or by written communication prior to the regatta.

40. **Water Traffic Rules:**

- a. The traffic rules for training and racing are as displayed at the Marshal's office. The traffic rules must be strictly complied with.
- b. During racing, all crews must proceed to the start as directed and remain outside the course at all times until called in for the start of that crew's race.
- c. No crew may cross the course except at the start when called in to race or as specifically directed by an official.
- d. Notwithstanding sub-clause c. above, Rowing New Zealand and Waikato Regional Performance Centre Crews wishing to return their boats after the last use of a particular boat to their shed may take their boats back using the agreed protocol.
 - i. Should this protocol not be adhered to, the privilege will be withdrawn.

41. **Coxswains:**

- a. For all U15, U16 and U17 events, the minimum weight of the coxswain (including dead-weight) in racing uniform shall be **50 kgs** with a maximum of 20 kgs dead-weight permitted to make up weight.
- b. For all other events, the minimum weight of the coxswain (including dead-weight) in racing uniform shall be **55 kgs** with a maximum of 20 kgs dead-weight permitted to make up weight.
- c. Coxswains are required to weigh in each day between 1 and 2 hours before the coxswain's first race of the day. If after racing, it is determined that a coxswain failed to weigh in, then their crew shall be relegated to last place in their race.
- d. Dead-weight to be secured together or contained so that it is clearly identifiable as dead-weight. Spanners and other tools are not acceptable as dead-weight. Dead-weight shall not be carried in a manner that might affect the ability of the coxswain to escape from the boat in the case of an emergency.
- e. Dead-weight may be check-weighed at any time. If inadequate weight is carried in a race, the crew will be relegated to last place in that race.
- f. Coxswains will not wear heavy cotton or woollen clothing (such as jeans, sweaters or sweatshirts) but suitable clothing that will keep them warm (e.g. poly-pros, polar fleeces etc) but which will not weigh them down if they become wet.
- g. Life-jackets – coxswains must wear a New Zealand standards approved life-jacket, suitable for their size and weight, and outside all other clothing. Life-jackets must be in good condition and have in a legible state the manufacturer's label and certification intact. **Under**

no circumstances are inflatable (either manual or automatic) lifejackets to be worn by coxswains during the regatta.

42. **Cell Phones and Other Communication Devices:** No cell phones, radio telephones or any other electronic communication devices capable of receiving or transmitting a communication from or to anyone outside the boat are permitted to be carried in a boat whether switched on or off.
43. **Boat Numbers:** All boats must carry a bow number indicating the **LANE** number as shown in the day sheet. Crews without a number may not be allowed to start. The number must be placed on the boat so as to be read from the Judges' side of the course at the finish (i.e. the stroke or port side of the boat). Where numbers are supplied by Karapiro Rowing Inc., these numbers must be used at the exclusion of all others. Numbers supplied by Karapiro Rowing Inc. not returned within 30 minutes after the race in which they were last used will be charged at \$25 + GST per instance. A crew that crosses the Finish line with an incorrect bow number may be Disqualified and excluded from the results.
44. **Boat Safety Standards:** It is a matter of prime importance that all boats must be in a safe condition for rowing. Each crew and their coach(s) are primarily responsible for ensuring that their boat is safe for rowing and meets the minimum standards prescribed in the NZRA Rules of Racing and are operated in the manner intended or prescribed by the boat manufacturer. Crews, whose boats do not meet these standards 30 minutes before the advertised time of the race, may be excluded from the race at the discretion of the official conducting the Boat Safety Compliance Checks. The Official shall inform Regatta Control of their decision.
45. **Exclusion of all Tort Liability of Whatsoever Nature:** All due care will be taken by the regatta organisers and officials to ensure the regatta is conducted safely and efficiently. However, it remains the prime and principal responsibility of individuals participating in the regatta (either as rowers, coxswains, coaches, or other club officials) to conduct themselves in a safe and responsible manner at all times. This includes making sure prior to racing that their boats are safe for racing and generally in compliance with these conditions. Also, that the rowers in each crew are fit for the ordeal of racing. They must also ensure that these conditions are complied with and that the directions of the Regatta Officials are followed.

Further, it is a condition of participation in this Regatta that all participants accept and note that no liability either in tort or any other nature whatsoever, is accepted by or will attach to the New Zealand Rowing Association Inc, Karapiro Rowing incorporated, the Waikato Rowing Association incorporated or the New Zealand Rowing Race Officials Association Incorporated for any harm, damage, loss, costs, expenses, inconvenience, interference, of whatever nature and whatever kind, including any damage to equipment or injury to persons of whatever nature incurred in the course of, or in connection with, or in any way related to the Regatta, regardless of whether any omission, wrongdoing, oversight, negligence, or other tort whatsoever on the part of any Regatta Official, or other person may be established.