

### Karāpiro Christmas Regatta: Regatta Summary

<b>Entries accepted from</b>	Clubs, schools, and high performance squads
<b>Entries Close</b>	8:00 am on Wednesday 7 December 2022
<b>Format</b>	See table below.
<b>Entry Limits before Supplementaries</b>	Per rower: 3 events per rower; and no more than 2 small boats per rower (excluding pairs) Per event: All single and double scull events are limited to two entries per entity (excluding Premier and Senior events)
<b>Supplementary Entries</b>	Supplementary entries will open to fill available lanes in existing heats only at 10:00 am on Friday 9 December.  The above entry limits do not apply to Supplementary entries. All entry limits will be raised at 10:00 am on Friday 9 December.  There are no charges for supplementary entries and scratchings made before 8:00 am on Thursday 15 December (24 hours before start of regatta).
<b>Progression</b>	Entries are to Finals only: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1- 8 entries: Preliminary Heats used (see below)</li> <li>• Where there are more than 8 entries in an event, a two-round (Heats and Finals) qualification system will be used.</li> <li>• Over 24 entries: B Finals as well as A Finals will be raced (sometimes B Finals are raced if fewer entries than this, at Regatta Control's discretion). No other Finals raced at the regatta (i.e., no C, D Finals, etc.)</li> <li>• Where there are more than 48 entries in an event, <b>Timed Heats</b> will be used (see note below).</li> </ul>
<b>Preliminary Heats</b>	Regatta Control will expect you are racing a Preliminary Heats by default. If you wish to opt out, you <b>must</b> inform Regatta Control at least 60 mins before the scheduled race start time. If you fail to inform Regatta Control, the crew will be deemed a Did Not Start (which attracts a DNS penalty fee). All crews, other than crews Excluded or Disqualified from the Preliminary, will race the final. Crews that do not place in the heats get randomly allocated outer lanes.
<b>Oversubscription</b>	Due to the Timed Heats progression system option, no events will be considered oversubscribed.
<b>Coxswain Weigh-In</b>	Coxswains need to weigh in 1-2 hours before their first race of the regatta only (i.e., they only need to weigh in once for the whole regatta).

## Karāpiro Christmas Regatta: Entries Guidance

Please read the following information carefully and ensure you understand the Table of Events before submitting entries for Christmas Regatta.

### Format

Christmas Regatta has the following format:

<b>Friday</b>	Age-group heats (U15 - U18)
<b>Saturday</b>	Ability grade heats (Novice, Intermediate, Club, etc.) with selected age-group finals interspersed <b>in numerical order</b> .
<b>Sunday</b>	Ability grade finals with remaining age-group finals interspersed <b>in numerical order</b> .

**Ability grade events:** These will be compressed together either on Saturday or Sunday depending on which day the age-group finals between them are run. For planning purposes ability grade events should be treated as being run consecutively, without gaps for age-group events.

**Age-group events:** These will be compressed together on Friday during heats, due to no ability grade events being run that day. For planning purposes age-group events should be treated as being run consecutively, without gaps for ability grade events.

**Mixing ability grade and age-group events:** During the regatta the age-group finals will be raced between the ability grade events in numerical order; either between ability grade heats on Saturday or between ability grade finals on Sunday. **When entering athletes in a mix of age-group and ability grade events, it is important to check each day on the table of events carefully to avoid clashes.**

### Age-group Finals

Coaches will see from the table of events that some age-group finals will definitely be raced on Saturday; some will definitely be raced on Sunday; and some are shown as TBC\*. Finals shown as TBC\* will be raced on either Saturday or Sunday in their numerical order as indicated by the table. All ability-grade finals will be raced on Sunday.

The preference is to race the TBC\* finals on Saturday if possible, however, this will depend on how many ability grade entries there are. The more ability grade entries there are, the more ability grade heats will need to be raced on Saturday, meaning more TBC\* age-group finals will need to be moved to Sunday. We hope the flexibility to move some finals will allow us to avoid having to cancel Preliminary Heats (10 Preliminary Heats had to be cancelled in 2020).

In summary:

- U15 finals will be raced on Sunday to allow these athletes to race in Novice heats on Saturday.
- U16-18 small boats finals will be raced on Sunday to allow time for B finals where required.
- U16-18 8+ finals will be raced on Saturday to give large numbers of age-group only rowers racing on Saturday.
- U16-18 4x+ and 4+ finals will be allocated to either Saturday or Sunday after entries close.

## Event Order

Coaches should use the table of events below to anticipate clashes before the draft schedule is published. When working out how far apart certain races may be, coaches should consider that:

- **Heats for consecutive events could take place as little as 4 minutes apart** if there is only one Preliminary Heat, or only an A final (no B final).
- **It is highly recommended that each athlete's events are separated by at least 7 races on every day they could race those events.** Events which are 8 apart on a given day, could be  $8 \times 4 = 32$  minutes apart in a worst case (for example, 8 events next to each other, all with only one heat).
- Do not count 4 minutes for finals marked TBC\* as these may move to the alternate day.
- There will not be gaps between races where a blank space is shown in the table of events.

## Draft Schedule

The draft schedule will be published when the regatta opens for supplementaries, adjustments, and scratchings. For the 2022/23 season there are no additional charges for scratchings or supplementary entries.

## Timed Heats

Timed Heats are heats which are seeded and raced side-by-side as normal, but progression to finals is determined using times rather than placings. For example, if we receive 70 entries in the BU17 1x competitors will race in 9 timed heats, and the crews with the 8 fastest times will progress to the A Final.

Christmas Regatta will give crews in events with more than 48 entries an opportunity to practice racing Timed Heats. These will be used later in the season at NIRC for heavily subscribed events. We anticipate that the request from Local Associations to run NIRC as a three-day ability focused regatta could result in some events having more than eight heats, meaning a place-based progression system could not be used. Place-based progression systems work best when heats are seeded fairly, however, many school crews will not have raced in ability events prior to NIRC, so seeding them will not be possible. If many crews are unseeded, some heats could be more competitive than others, and this becomes unfair when a place-based progression only allows 1 or 2 crews to progress from each heat.

## Key Changes from 2020

The programme of events has been reordered to facilitate the following changes:

- **On each day, events will run in numerical order.** This is a change from previous years where events were run out of order on Saturday and Sunday. Keeping the events in numerical order will make estimating potential clashes more straightforward.
- The U17 2- has been added since it is now a Maadi event.
- U22 events have been removed since longer relevant
- Other minor changes:
  - WU16 2x restored to normal place in NZSSRA event order
  - M18x+ event moved to allow sharing of skiffs with other 8x+ events
  - Reduced clashes between U15 and Novice events
  - Improved order of Premier events to accommodate club-based Premier grade athletes
- Finally, like at more recent regattas, racing Preliminary Heats will be optional and the default is, if you enter you will be racing

## Table of Events

This table is also available to download as a list of races on each day in Excel format. Link [here](#)

No	Event	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1	W Int 2X		Heat	Final
2	M Nov 8+		Heat	Final
3	W Nov 2X		Heat	Final
4	B U17 1X	Heat		Final
5	M Snr 2-		Heat	Final
6	G U17 4+	Heat	<i>Final Day TBC*</i>	
7	M Clb 2X		Heat	Final
8	W Clb 4X-		Heat	Final
9	M Int 8X+		Heat	Final
10	B U15 2X	Heat		Final
11	G U15 4X+	Heat		Final
12	W Prm 2-		Heat	Final
13	B U18 2-	Heat		Final
14	W Int 4+		Heat	Final
15	G U18 2X	Heat		Final
16	M Prm 2-		Heat	Final
17	B U16 4X+	Heat	<i>Final Day TBC*</i>	
18	M Nov 4+		Heat	Final
19	M Snr 1X		Heat	Final
20	G U16 1X	Heat		Final
21	M Clb 2-		Heat	Final
22	B U17 8+	Heat	Final	
23	W Clb 4+		Heat	Final
24	G U17 4X+	Heat	<i>Final Day TBC*</i>	
25	W Snr 1X		Heat	Final
26	M Int 8+		Heat	Final
27	B U15 8X+	Heat		Final
28	G U15 4+	Heat		Final
29	W Int 4X+		Heat	Final
30	B U18 4X+	Heat	<i>Final Day TBC*</i>	
31	W Prm 1X		Heat	Final
32	G U18 2-	Heat		Final
33	M Prm 1X		Heat	Final
34	B U16 4+	Heat	<i>Final Day TBC*</i>	
35	M Nov 2X		Heat	Final
36	W Nov 4X+		Heat	Final
37	G U16 8+	Heat	Final	
38	M Int 4X+		Heat	Final
39	B U17 2X	Heat		Final
40	W Snr 2-		Heat	Final
41	G U17 1X	Heat		Final
42	M Clb 4X-		Heat	Final
43	W Clb 2X		Heat	Final
44	G U15 8X+	Heat		Final
45	B U15 8+	Heat		Final
46	W Int 1X		Heat	Final
47	B U18 4+	Heat	<i>Final Day TBC*</i>	
48	M Snr 2X		Heat	Final
49	G U18 4+	Heat	<i>Final Day TBC*</i>	
50	W Prm 4-		Heat	Final
51	M Prm 4-		Heat	Final

No	Event	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
52	G U16 4X+	Heat	<i>Final Day TBC*</i>	
53	M Int 1X		Heat	Final
54	W Nov 8+		Heat	Final
55	W Snr 2X		Heat	Final
56	B U16 2X	Heat		Final
57	M Nov 4X+		Heat	Final
58	G U18 1X	Heat		Final
59	M Clb 4+		Heat	Final
60	B U18 1X	Heat		Final
61	W Clb 2-		Heat	Final
62	W Int 8+		Heat	Final
63	G U15 2X	Heat		Final
64	W Prm 2X		Heat	Final
65	M Prm 2X		Heat	Final
66	W Snr 4-		Heat	Final
67	M Snr 4-		Heat	Final
68	B U15 4X+	Heat		Final
69	G U17 8+	Heat	Final	
70	B U17 4+	Heat	<i>Final Day TBC*</i>	
71	G U16 4+	Heat	<i>Final Day TBC*</i>	
72	W Nov 4+		Heat	Final
73	M Int 2X		Heat	Final
74	B U16 8+	Heat	Final	
75	M Clb 1X		Heat	Final
76	W Clb 1X		Heat	Final
77	G U17 2-	Heat		Final
78	B U17 2-	Heat		Final
79	G U18 4X+	Heat	<i>Final Day TBC*</i>	
80	W Snr 4X-		Heat	Final
81	M Snr 4X-		Heat	Final
82	W Prm 4X-		Heat	Final
83	M Prm 4X-		Heat	Final
84	B U18 2X	Heat		Final
85	G U15 8+	Heat		Final
86	B U15 4+	Heat		Final
87	M Int 4+		Heat	Final
88	G U17 2X	Heat		Final
89	W Int 8X+		Heat	Final
90	M Clb 8+		Heat	Final
91	B U17 4X+	Heat	<i>Final Day TBC*</i>	
92	W Clb 8+		Heat	Final
93	G U16 2X	Heat		Final
94	B U16 1X	Heat		Final
95	G U18 8+	Heat	Final	
96	B U18 8+	Heat	Final	
97	W Opn 8+		Heat	Final
98	M Opn 8+		Heat	Final

*Final Day TBC\* = please read the notes on age-group finals carefully.*

If you need assistance with understanding the above information, please email Regatta Committee member Josh Wedlake for help: [jwedlake@diocesan.school.nz](mailto:jwedlake@diocesan.school.nz)