

# **NORTH ISLAND CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA WHANGANUI RIVER Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 January 2016**

## **CONDITIONS OF ENTRY**

All events will be raced under the NZRA Rules of Racing, as varied by the Wanganui Rowing Association and outlined below.

## **CLASSIFICATION**

The 2016 North Island Club Championships is a Major Regatta for the purposes of NZRA Rules of Racing.

## **DISTANCE/LANES**

Unless otherwise stipulated, all races will be held on the Aramoho 2000 metre course. Six lanes will be used with lanes numbered 1-6 from the judges' side of the river. A seventh lane may be used at the discretion of the Race Committee, in which case it will be known as Lane 7.

## **EVENTS**

1. Regional Performance Centres may enter crews in any Open class event.
2. Masters events 19a and 38a are on Saturday. Events 19b and 38b are on Sunday. Masters can potentially enter all four events. The age-group reference date for Masters events will be the rower's age as of 31 December 2016.
3. Junior events 34, 39, 44, and 47 combine Under-19, Under-17, and Under-15 classes. Only crews entered in the Under-19 class will contest the event title. The classes will be race separately where entry numbers permit. Juniors can only enter one class within each event. The age-group reference date for these classes will be the rower's age as of 1 January 2016.
4. No event with less than two crews entered will be contested.

## **ENTRIES**

1. All entries are to be submitted via the [rowit.co.nz](http://rowit.co.nz) online entry system.
2. All entries shall include name, birthday and competition license of participants.
3. Entries will close 10:00pm, Tuesday 5 January 2016. Late entries will be available until 10:00pm, Monday 11 January 2016. There may be further provision made for supplementary late entries.
4. All competitors entered into any regatta held by the Wanganui Rowing Association, are to be competent. The Organisers may refuse a non-competent crew, the right to row and disqualify them from the regatta.

## **ENTRY FEES.**

Entry fee for all events shall be \$12.00 per sliding seat.  
All competitors will pay an amenities fee of \$5.00.  
Prices quoted are inclusive of GST

## **LATE ENTRIES**

Late entries will only be accepted under exceptional circumstances and must be accompanied with a late entry fee of \$15.00 over and above the seat fee. Late lodgement of entries will attract a charge of \$50 per Club.

## **COMPETITION LICENCE**

All competitors entering any regatta organised and/or run by the Wanganui Rowing Association must hold a current Competition Licence as defined by NZRA.

**NO Licence = NO Row. NO Exceptions!!**

## **SAFETY BRIEFING**

A representative from each Club must attend the safety briefing which will be held outside the Regatta Secretary's Office **45 minutes prior** to the start of the first race on the first day of racing.

Clubs are reminded that all boats must be fitted with an appropriately sized and securely fitted bow ball. Further, the shoes fitted to all boats must have their heels securely tied down. Spot checks on these safety features will be conducted during the regatta. Any craft found to be deficient in this area will not be allowed to race until such time as the deficiency is rectified.

## **RACE TIMES**

Please refer to the Day Sheet, available on race day from the Regatta Office, for race times. The regatta will be run to time. Races will take place without reference to absentees. The Regatta Committee reserves the right to alter the order and starting times of all events.

## **NUMBERS**

All boats must carry the correct Alpha Numeric lane number. Numbers are to be returned promptly to the Numbers Steward at the conclusion of the event for which they were issued. Failure to return an issued number may result in financial penalty.

## **RACING COLOURS**

Every competitor excluding coxswains must wear their official Club colours.

## **COXSWAINS**

Coxswains must properly wear an approved life-jacket.

## **SCRATCHING**

All scratchings must be lodged at the Regatta Office no later than 30mins prior to the scheduled race time. Late scratchings and crews that do not arrive at the start may incur a penalty of \$10 at the discretion of the Regatta Committee. An account will be rendered for payment of such penalties.

## **PROCEEDING TO START**

Crews must familiarize themselves with local conditions and have regard to local rules for their own safety. Competitors making their way to the start must proceed

upriver on the Aramoho side of the river (ie the boat park side of the course) ensuring they do not hinder boats racing.

## **RETURNING TO BOAT PARK**

On completing their race all crews must ensure they promptly clear the finish line and do not impede any crews finishing behind them. **This condition is of particular concern when the tide is flowing upstream**. All crews must keep as close as possible to the Aramoho bank when returning to the Boat Park.

## **PARKING**

All trailers, trucks, cars, and skiffs of all types/sizes must park in the Boat Park at a 45 degree angle to the river to allow trouble free access to the boat ramps and launching areas. Some boat racks for 4's and 8's have been provided for your use.

## **TRUCKS AND TRAILERS**

When parking you must allow sufficient space between boat trailers to allow the easy loading, unloading and servicing of plant. Due to restricted space in the Boat Park towing vehicles should be removed.

## **TRAINING**

There is to be **NO TRAINING** on the course during the Regatta. Failure to comply may result in disqualification or other penalty, at the discretion of the Committee.

## **CONDUCT OF ROWERS**

Any crew or crew member found guilty by the Race Committee of bringing the regatta or rowing into disrepute, **on or off the water**, may be disqualified from further participation and could prejudice the participation of the Club concerned.

## **DISCLAIMER**

**NO LIABILITY** - The Wanganui Rowing Association reminds Rowing Clubs and competitors participating in its regattas that every care will be taken by the regatta officials to ensure the regatta is conducted safely and efficiently and in accordance with the Rules established by the NZRA, it is the responsibility of Clubs to ensure those rules are complied with, and of rowers to comply with them.

It is a condition of participation in its regattas that no liability whatsoever will attach to or be accepted by the Wanganui Rowing Association for any damage to equipment or injury to persons incurred in the course of its regattas regardless of whether any negligence on the part of any regatta official may be established.

## **PENALTIES**

Late lodgement of Club entries	\$50 per Club
Late crew entries (where accepted)	\$15 plus seat fee
Late scratching/non-progression/non-appearance	\$15