Karāpiro Rowing Inc.

North Island Rowing Championships 2022

Regatta Notice

- **1. Regatta Dates:** The regatta is a six-day regatta and shall commence at 6am on Wednesday 26th January 2022 with racing scheduled to commence at 8am on Friday 28th January 2022 and shall continue through until approximately 4pm on Monday 31st January 2022. The regatta will conclude at 11:59pm on Monday 31st January 2022. The first two days will be used for set-up and will be available for crew training on Thursday 27th January 2022.
- **2. Regatta Venue:** The regatta shall be held at the Mighty River Domain, 601 Maungatautari Road, Lake Karāpiro, Cambridge.
- **3. Regatta Venue Access:** Access to the venue will be only available to persons able to show a valid Covid-19 Vaccination Certificate (CVC) either electronic or paper.
- **4. Regatta Status:** This regatta is a **Major Regatta** as defined by clause 1.3.b of the New Zealand Rowing Association Inc. (NZRA) Rules of Racing 2021.

5. Event Status:

- a) The event is a **Permitted Event** pursuant to clause 52 of the COVID-19 Public Health Response (Protection Framework) Order 2021 for **CVC compliant people only.**
- b) This Regatta Notice and the attached Regatta Terms and Conditions only apply to the event being run under Schedule 5 or Schedule 6 of the COVID-19 Public Health Response (Protection Framework) Order 2021 which is current at the time of the regatta.

6. Eligibility to Enter:

- a) Entry to this regatta is open to all members of Rowing Clubs affiliated to the New Zealand Rowing Association Inc. who have a current Competition License.
- b) Entry to this regatta is open to all members of Rowing Schools affiliated to the New Zealand Secondary Schools Rowing Association Inc. (NZSSRA) who have a current Competition License.
- c) Entry to this regatta is open to all members of Development Squads attached to the New Zealand Rowing Association Inc. who have a current Competition License.

7. Boat Types:

- a) The Regatta will provide races for the following boat types:
 - i) Single Scull
 - ii) Double Scull
 - iii) Quadruple Scull with Coxswain
 - iv) Quadruple Scull without Coxswain
 - v) Octuple Scull with Coxswain
 - vi) Pair Oar without Coxswain
 - vii) Four Oar with Coxswain
 - viii) Four Oar without Coxswain

ix) Eight Oar with Coxswain

8. Classifications / Grades Contested:

- a) The Regatta will provide racing in the following classifications or grades for both male and female genders:
 - i) Under 15 Grade
 - ii) Under 16 Grade
 - iii) Under 17 Grade
 - iv) Under 18 Grade
 - v) Under 18 Novice Grade
 - vi) Novice Classification
 - vii) Intermediate Classification
 - viii) Club Classification
 - ix) Senior Classification
 - x) Premier Classification
 - xi) Open Para Class covers all sub-classifications.

9. Generally:

- a) The Regatta will be conducted in accordance with the NZRA Rules of Racing 2021 except as now modified by Karāpiro Rowing Inc. in these conditions or by the Race Committee in exceptional circumstances on the day; and then only in the interests of the safety and welfare of competitors, officials, and volunteers and/or fairness for all competitors.
- b) The Regatta will be conducted pursuant to the New Zealand Government Covid-19 Acts of Parliament, Health Orders, Covid-19 Orders, Rules and Regulations current at the time of the regatta. (These have not been listed here as they are constantly changing but can be viewed at https://www.legislation.govt.nz.)
- **10. Distance of Races:** The distance of all races shall be 2000m.

11. Course Description:

- a) The course for all races shall be an Albano specification 9 wire, 8 lane course with a floating start pontoon to provide 'held-starts'.
- b) The water for all intents and purposes shall be considered as still and without flow.
- c) Lane 1 shall be closest to the Judges' tower.
- **12. Minimum number of Entries:** If, at the close of entries, there are three entries or fewer in any event, the event shall be withdrawn from the programme.

13. Qualification System:

- a) Entry into this regatta is to Finals only!
- b) In the case of eight or fewer entries: Participation in preliminary heats is optional. As preliminary heats are used for lane allocation for finals, any crew not participating in heats will be randomly drawn to an outside lane for the final.
- c) In the event where there are more entries than places in the Final, a qualification system shall be used to determine the finalists for the Finals.
- d) The Qualification System will be a system based on heat and/or semi-finals placings and in some cases based partially on times. The standard Karāpiro 8 lane progression system will be used.
- e) 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.

14. Maximum number of crews per race: Generally, races will be limited to a maximum of eight crews, but in exceptional circumstances as determined by Regatta Control or the Race Committee this may be extended to nine crews in semi-finals or finals.

15. Trophies:

- a) There are trophies awarded at this regatta:
 - i) The Gill Trophy for Men's Club Single Scull
 - ii) The Gill Trophy for Women's Club Single Scull
 - iii) The Karāpiro Rowing Points Trophy.
- b) Points for the Karāpiro Trophy will be allocated based on 5 points for first place 3 points for second place, and 1 point for third place in all A Finals subject to c) below.
- c) RNZ or composite crews will not accrue points toward the Karāpiro Trophy.

16. Medals:

- a) Medals shall be awarded to the first three placed crews in all A finals. Gold, Silver and Bronze medals shall be awarded to crews that place first, second, and third, respectively.
- b) The exception to a) above would be if there was a tie for the Bronze medal position, in which case two sets of Bronze medals would be awarded.
- c) One medal shall be presented to the coach of each crew awarded a medal.
- d) This year, because of the nature of the programme, no medal ceremonies will be held during the regatta. Medals can be collected at a location to be advised at the Regatta Secretary's office.

17. Pre-Regatta Safety Briefing:

- a) A pre-regatta safety briefing will be held one hour prior to the start of the first race of the regatta in front of the Boat Marshal's Hut in the Boat Park adjacent to the launching pontoons.
- b) It is a pre-requisite to participation in the racing that <u>ALL</u> entities that have submitted entries shall have a member of the entity attend the briefing.
- c) It is further agreed that the member attending the safety briefing shall then brief the other members of the entity that they represent on the contents of the safety briefing.
- d) Any entrant entity that does not have a representative in attendance at the safety briefing shall be excluded from the racing.
- **18. List of Events:** The events and their order are those listed on the entry website http://rowit.nz
- **19. Entry Mode:** Entries <u>can only</u> be submitted electronically on the rowIT website (http://rowit.nz) prior to the closing date and time. No other form of entry will be accepted, either electronic, typed or handwritten, unless requested to be so by the Regatta Secretary or Entries Manager for the regatta.
- **20.** Closing Date for Entries: Entries close at 8am on Monday 17th January 2022.
- **21. Entry Fees:** The following entry fees will be charged:
 - (a) Eights \$39.00 + GST
 - (b) Fours / Quads \$34.00 + GST
 - (c) Double / Pairs \$30.00 + GST
 - (d) Single Sculls \$28.00 + GST

- (e) Amenity Fees \$32.00 + GST
- **22. Approval:** The entry fees and levies were approved by the membership of Karāpiro Rowing Inc. at its Annual General Meeting.
- **23. 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.

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Regatta Terms and Conditions

Entry Conditions

24. Programme Structure:

- a) This regatta programme is structured to provide for the combined needs of both Club- and School-focused rowing programmes preparing for their respective National Championship Regattas.
- b) The programme has been structured to provide the maximum racing opportunity for each group in a difficult Covid-19 interrupted year where many entities have had minimal opportunities to train and race.
- c) The first two days of the programme will be heats.
- d) The third day will be semi-finals and petite finals until about 2pm. A and B Finals will be raced after these races and continue through until the last race on the fourth day.
- **25. Eligibility to Enter:** This regatta is open to all clubs affiliated to the NZRA and all schools affiliated to the NZSSRA subject to Clause 5 above. The regatta is not open to overseas competitors this year.

26. Entry Entities:

- a) Entries may be submitted by:
 - i) Clubs affiliated to, and current financial members of, the NZRA or
 - ii) Schools affiliated to the NZSSRA, or
 - iii) Squads run under the auspices of the High-Performance Division of Rowing New Zealand.
- b) Entities shall row in the racing colours registered to the organisation to which they are affiliated.
- c) Accounts for Fees and Penalties will be sent to the organisation (Entity) that submitted the entry in all cases.
- d) No rower shall be entered by or represent more than one entity at the regatta.
- e) Coxswains shall be strictly subject to rule 22.8 of the NZRA Rules of Racing 2022

27. Composite Crews:

- a) Composite crew approvals shall be submitted to the Regatta Controller no later than 60 minutes before the first scheduled race of the regatta.
- b) Blanket Season approvals will not be accepted this year as they are hard to administer and don't necessarily allow the local association the opportunity to do due diligence on the composite entry.
- c) Failure to provide approvals as in 27a) above shall result in the crew being scratched from the regatta.

28. Entry Restrictions:

- a) All single and double scull events are limited to two entries per entry entity. However, there is an entry limit extension available for clubs that permits them to add one crew for each of their affiliated schools subject to the following conditions:
 - i) These extra crews must be entered using rowIT's dual-entity recognition feature.
 - ii) The limit extension for one school cannot be transferred to another school or the club
 - iii) If more than one dual-entity recognition crew is entered for a school, the additional crews will count as club crews and toward the club limit.
- b) The following rower entry restrictions shall apply to this regatta:
 - i) Novices, Under 18 Novices, and Under 15 rowers:
 - (1) Two boats of any size; or
 - (2) Three boats, at least one of which must be an eight or octuple scull
 - ii) All other Grades and Age Groups:
 - (1) Two Small Boat (Single Scull / Double Scull / Coxless Pair) entries per rower; or
 - (2) Three entries having no more than two small boat (Single Scull / Double Scull / Coxless Pair) entries.
- c) Notwithstanding Clauses 28a) and 28bii), Premier Rowers may enter events without restriction.

29. Entries:

- a) That by submitting entries to the regatta, the submitting entity agrees to abide by:
 - i) The NZRA Rules of Racing; and
 - ii) the NZRA Water Safety Code; and
 - iii) the NZRA Competition Safety Code; and
 - iv) the Maritime Rules Part 91; and
 - v) the latest revision of the Waikato Regional Council Navigation Bylaw; and
 - vi) the Constitution of the NZRA where appropriate; and
 - vii) the Constitution of Karāpiro Rowing Inc; and
 - viii) the Karāpiro Rowing Health and Safety Manual (<u>www.karapirorowing.com</u>); and
 - ix) the Karāpiro Rowing Anti-Bullying Policy www.karapirorowing.com); and
 - x) the COVID-19 Public Health Response (Protection Framework) Order 2021; and
 - xi) the applicable COVID-19 Acts, Orders, Regulations, Rules, Codes of Practice in force at the time of the regatta as detailed on the COVID-19 web site https://covid19.govt.nz; and
 - xii) the Karāpiro Rowing Pandemic Response Plan available on the website www.karapirorowing.com
- b) Entries must include the **Names** and the current **Competition License Status** of all rowers and coxswains. An entry that does not contain all the correct information will not be accepted.
- c) Entries shall include the **Name** of the Coach or else the **Name** of the person responsible for the crew. The **Name must be that of a real person.** References

- to Coaching Teams and the like will render the entry invalid and it will not be accepted.
- d) Entries shall include a record of any medical conditions or allergies that apply to competitors competing in the regatta. The Entry Entity **shall** ensure that this is accurate and up to date for **ALL** competing competitors.
- e) Entries shall include accurate information on the swimming ability of each athlete as required by the form on the entry website.
- f) Entries for Composite Crews must also include the Club Code for each of the individual rowers.
- g) Entry Entities will be invoiced in full for their entries by email withing 48 hours of the close of entries to the last advised email address for receiving accounts.
- h) The full entry fees are to be paid by Direct Credit without deduction within five days of the date of invoice and in all cases prior to the commencement of the racing.
- i) Account details for payment are:

Account Name: Karapiro Rowing Incorporated

Bank: ASB, Cambridge, New Zealand

Account Number: 12-3268-088115-50

Reference: Entity Name

Code: Regatta Name or NIRC2022

- j) <u>Clubs who have outstanding fees from previous regattas will not be allowed to submit their entries or have their entries accepted until all arrears are paid in full.</u>
- k) Entries close with the Regatta Secretary at 8am on Monday 17th January 2022.

30. 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 \$220.00 + GST for Front Sites and \$160.00 + GST for Second Row Sites.
- d) Tent sites will be allocated by **Random Computer Draw** and the allocation will be published on the Karāpiro Rowing Website three days prior to the start of the racing.
- e) Tents erected without permission will be charged for or removed.
- f) Tents are not allowed to be erected earlier than 12pm (midday) on the day before the commencement of racing and are to be removed by 8pm on the last day of the regatta.
- g) Any supporting infrastructure provided to tent site holders will be available from 3pm on the day before the commencement of racing.
- 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 Karāpiro Rowing Inc.
- i) All tents with cooking facilities or power shall have a Fire Extinguisher located in a prominent position and shall have a valid Test Certificate attached.

j) Any power leads and/or electrical appliances shall have a current Electrical Test Tag attached.

31. Amenity Fees:

- a) An Amenity Fee must be paid for each rower and coxswain that is racing at the regatta. These will be invoiced with the entry fees.
- b) An Amenity Fee invoiced for a rower who subsequently does not compete at the regatta will be credited less a 25% administration fee.
- c) A rower or coxswain who races at the regatta and was not included in the original entries will have an Amenity Fee invoiced after the regatta.
- d) **Late Entries:** Late Entries may be accepted at the sole discretion of the Regatta Controller and shall attract a late entry fee of \$20.00 + GST per late entry for each crew entered, in addition the event entry fee.

32. Supplementary Entries:

- a) 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.
- b) Entry restrictions may be changed for Supplementary Entries at the discretion of the Regatta Secretary or Entries Administrator.
- c) Supplementary Entries being late entries that are accepted after the close of entries shall attract a Late Entry Fee of \$20.00 + GST per late entry for each crew entered in addition the event entry fee.

33. Boat Park:

- a) Any Clubs or Schools who have either boats or trailers in the lower campground of the domain (Boat Park) are required to remove them from the site by 11:59pm on Tuesday 25th January 2022 as the site will be locked down as a CVC Compliant Event Venue.
- b) No Boats or Boat Trailers are to be placed in the Boat Park before 12pm (midday) on Wednesday 26th January 2022 under any circumstances.
- c) Boats and Boat Trailers are to be removed by 8pm on the last day of the regatta unless remaining pursuant to a private arrangement between the Club/School and the Waipa District Council, whereby the club/school has agreed to pay all charges incurred to the Waipa District Council. Proof of the arrangement may be required.
- d) No trailers are to be parked in the Boat Park this season unless authorised in writing by Karāpiro Rowing Incorporated.
- e) The authorisation may take the form of the trailer allocation schedule published by Karāpiro Rowing Incorporated on their web site at www.karapirorowing.com

Post Entry Conditions

34. Substitution of Rowers:

a) Substitution of rowers (including coxswains) as provided by the NZRA Rules of racing must be submitted to Regatta Control for approval **at least 60 minutes** before the start of the first race in that event. The Regatta Controller shall have the sole responsibility for the recording and approval of substitutions in all cases.

- Regatta Control will make available to the Race Committee all substitutions that have been approved.
- b) A Club or School making a substitution for either a rower or a coxswain after the close of entries shall make that substitution online on the rowIT website (http://rowit.nz) until 60 minutes prior to the last race for the rower or coxswain at the regatta.
- c) Medical Substitutions shall be approved by the Regatta Controller in all cases under these conditions.
- d) Medical Substitutions will not be accepted unless accompanied by supporting evidence from a medical professional acceptable to the Regatta Controller, delivered to the Regatta Office at the time that the substitution application is lodged.
- e) Crew Names may be checked at any stage during or after 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 fee of \$50.00 + GST for each member of the crew that is not entered or advised. Further:
 - i) If the crew has not raced, then the crew **shall be Excluded** from the race in which it was entered in addition to the monetary penalty.
 - ii) Should the crew have already raced, then the crew **shall be Excluded** from the results in addition to the monetary penalty.

35. Scratchings / Non-Starters:

- a) Scratchings or withdrawal of crews must be advised to Regatta Control at least 60 minutes before the start of the race in that event. Failure to do so will result in the crew being recorded as a Did Not Start and the appropriate penalty levied.
- b) Scratchings must be notified ONLINE on the rowIT website (http://rowit.nz) by 10am on Thursday 27th January 2022 to avoid incurring a late scratching fee. Clubs/Schools scratching before this time will receive a refund of 75% of the relevant entry fees.
- c) A Club/School submitting a scratching after 10am on Thursday 27th January 2022 shall make that scratching ONLINE on the rowIT web site (http://rowit.nz) until 60 minutes prior to the race.
- d) Approved Medical Scratchings that meet all requirements shall be free of penalties for Late Scratchings.
- e) **Late Scratching Penalty:** Scratchings received after 10am on Thursday 27th January 2022 will be charged a Late Scratching Penalty of \$40 + GST.
- f) Did Not Start Penalty: A crew that has been drawn to start in the heat 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 incur a Did Not Start penalty of \$60 + GST.
- g) Crews that are scratched less than 60 minutes before the advertised start time of their race shall be recorded as a Did Not Start and shall incur a Did Not Start penalty of \$60 + GST.
- h) **Non-Progression Penalty:** Where a crew has progressed through the heats of an event to a subsequent round of racing but does not take part in that round, its Club or School shall incur a non-progression penalty of \$150 + GST

Race Day Conditions

- **36. Race Structure:** Every endeavour will be made to maintain the racing structure as proposed. However, the Regatta Controller, after consulting the Race Committee, reserves the right to alter, for any reason he/she sees fit, the programme as published.
- **37. Regatta Control:** Shall act as the link between the Competitors, Crews and Coaches, and the Race Committee.

38. Racing Colours (uniform):

- a) Competitors are to race in the Official Colours of the entity that submitted the entries in the case of Clubs and Schools.
- b) Rowing New Zealand may row in their own strip PROVIDED that they advise Karāpiro Rowing in advance of their intention (so that the correct colours can be displayed in the regatta programme booklet and advised to the Race and Regatta Officials).
- c) Club colours are those that are registered with NZRA.
- d) School colours are those registered with the NZSSRA.

39. 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/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 that the competitors are also fit to race.
- c) Any continuing concerns as to safety and fitness are to be brought to the attention of the Chief Marshal, Regatta Controller, or Safety Officer prior to the crew taking to the water.

40. Responsibility and Failure to Disclose Medical Information

- a) Each competitor shall be primarily responsible for ensuring that the entity that submits entries to the regatta shall have up-to-date information on any medical conditions that the competitors have prior to the close of entries.
- b) Each person who submits entries on behalf of an entity entering the regatta shall:
 - i) Ensure that SPECIFIED medical information about competitors is submitted to Karāpiro Rowing Inc. by the closing date and time for the entries.
 - ii) In the case where a competitor is diagnosed with a medical condition after the close of entries, the person responsible for the crew shall submit that information to Regatta Control at least 60 minutes before the advertised start time of the first race of the regatta.
- c) Failure to submit such information shall result in the entry entity being levied a monetary penalty of two hundred and fifty dollars plus GST (\$250.00 + GST) for each breach of b.i) or b.ii) above.
- d) Should a medical event occur involving a medical condition not disclosed to Karāpiro Rowing Inc. as detailed in bi) or b.ii) above, then the entity that submitted

the entry shall be levied a monetary penalty of five hundred dollars plus GST (\$500.00 + GST) and be disqualified from competition for the remainder of the regatta. Further to these penalties, the entity that submitted the entry shall receive a ban from competition at their next Karāpiro regatta.

41. Notification to Regatta Control of Medical Assessments (either On Site or Off Site)

- a) Each competitor by entering this regatta agrees to the First Aid team notifying Regatta Control when their medical services are used by the competitor.
- b) Each competitor entering this regatta agrees to notify Regatta Control (before the competitor next competes) when they have undergone a medical assessment (other than through the on-site First Aid team) and further agrees to provide the results of the assessment. This ensures that Regatta Control is made aware of all medical assessments.
- c) Each competitor that is assessed by either the on-site First Aid team or assessed externally to the regatta, who receives an assessment as being unfit to compete, SHALL either be substituted in all crews in which the competitor is entered OR all crews in which the competitor is entered shall be scratched; or a combination of scratching and substitution shall be enacted.
- d) Any competitor who competes contrary to sub-clause c) above shall be disqualified from the regatta and the entity that entered them shall be levied a monetary penalty of \$500.00 + GST. Further to these penalties, the competitor shall receive a ban from competition at their next Karāpiro regatta.
- **42. Covid-19 Conditions:** Each attendee of the regatta has responsibilities under the COVID-19 Public Health (Protection Framework) Order 2021, as do the organisers of the event.
 - a) Each member (competitor, coach, manager, support person, etc.) of the Entry Entity (School / Club) must scan the Covid QR Code before entering the premises or complete the Contact Tracing Register at the entry to the site.
 - b) Every person who wishes to enter the venue must be able to produce a valid Covid Vaccination Certificate (CVC).
 - c) Every person at the venue must be able to produce a valid CVC at any time when requested.
 - d) Every person who enters the venue must be able to produce a form of photo identification if requested to do so.
 - e) Any child claiming to be under the age of 12 years and 3 months, or their parent or guardian, must be able to produce verification of the child's age if requested to do so.
 - f) Every person who enters the venue must wear a mask in areas that require masks to be worn under section 6 of the COVID-19 Public Health (Protection Framework) Order 2021.

43. Failure to Comply with COVID-19 Conditions:

- a) Any person who fails to or cannot comply with any of Clause 42 above shall be asked to leave the event grounds.
- b) In the case that any competitor produces false identification or a CVC that is not valid or belongs to another person, they shall:
 - i) be asked to leave the event grounds; and

- ii) be reported to the Police; and
- iii) their Club or School shall be fined a monetary penalty of \$500.00 + GST and disqualified from the remainder of the regatta; and
- iv) their Club or School shall receive a ban on entering the next regatta held at Lake Karāpiro.

44. 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. A regatta participant for the purpose of this clause is a person whose name appears as an entrant in the official regatta entry records.
- 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 advised by Regatta Control.

45. 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 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 Rowing Club Crews may return boats in the manner prescribed by the Regatta Manager (to ensure COVID-19 requirements are met).

46. Coxswains:

- a) The Chief of Control Commission shall be responsible for the recording and checking of:
 - i) The Weighing and recording of all races in which coxswains are entered.
 - ii) Deadweight to be carried by coxswains (prior to and after racing).
 - iii) Compliance of Life Jackets to NZRA Rule 22.7.
- b) Deadweight to be secured together or contained so that it is clearly identifiable as deadweight. Spanners and other tools are not acceptable as deadweight. Deadweight 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, but in all cases shall be carried in the boat as close as possible to the coxswain.
- c) At this regatta, Coxswains shall weigh-in pursuant to rule 22.5.ii of the NZRA Rules of Racing 2021
- d) Coxswains must wear a New Zealand Standards approved or Maritime NZ recognised equivalent lifejacket, suitable for their size and age and/or weight, and outside all other clothing.
- e) Lifejackets must be in good condition and have, in a legible state, the manufacturer's label and certification intact.
- f) Under no circumstances are inflatable (either manual or automatic) lifejackets to be worn by coxswains during the regatta.
- **47. Cell Phones and Other Communication Devices:** Any equipment carried in the boat or on the body of a crew member that breaches rule 66.2 of the NZRA Rules of Racing 2021 shall result in the crew being Excluded from the event.

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48. Boat Numbers:

- a) All boats must carry a bow number indicating the LANE number as shown in the official day sheet.
- b) Crews without a number may not be allowed to start.
- c) The number must be placed on the boat to be read from the Judges' side of the course at the finish (i.e., the stroke or port side of the boat).
- d) Numbers not returned within 30 minutes after the race in which they were last used will be charged at \$25 + GST per instance.
- e) A crew that crosses the Finish line with an incorrect bow number may be Excluded from the results.
- **49. Boat Safety Standards:** It is a matter of prime importance that all boats must be in a safe condition for rowing.
 - a) Each crew and their coach(es) 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 is operated in the manner intended or prescribed by the boat manufacturer.
 - b) 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. Crews whose boats do not meet these standards 20 minutes before the advertised time of the race SHALL be excluded from the race. The Official shall inform Regatta Control of their decision.
 - c) Club officials are to present their boats for checking prior to the start of the regatta or if they arrive during the regatta prior to the first use of the boat.
 - d) All boats that pass the compliance check will have a sticker attached to their bow.
 - e) Boats not displaying a sticker shall not be permitted to race.
- **50. Postponement or Cancellation:** The Regatta Organising Committee shall be under no obligation to refund any fees whatsoever because of the postponement or cancellation of the regatta for whatsoever reason. Rowing is an outdoor sport and as such is subject to the weather being suitable on any given day to conduct the regatta in a safe and responsible manner.
- **51.** Compliance with Part 101 of the CAA Rules: Pursuant to Rule 101.207(a)(1)(i)CAA Rules, participation in this regatta either as a competitor or as an official or volunteer shall be deemed to be consenting to be under any unmanned or remotely piloted aircraft operated by Karāpiro Rowing Inc. or any of its agents or contractors.
- **52. 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 always conduct themselves in a safe and responsible manner. 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, Karāpiro Rowing Incorporated, the Waikato Rowing Association Incorporated, Mercer Rowing Club Inc., Counties-Manakau Rowing Club Inc. or NEMS Ltd 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.