

# Karāpiro Rowing Inc.

## New Zealand Masters' Rowing Championships 2022

### Regatta Notice

- 1. Regatta Dates:** The regatta is a two-day regatta and shall commence at 8am on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2022 and shall then continue through to and include Sunday 18 September 2022.
- 2. Regatta Venue:** The regatta shall be held at the Mighty River Domain, 601 Maungatautari Road, Lake Karāpiro, Cambridge.
- 3. 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.
- 4. Eligibility to Enter:**
  - a) Entry to this regatta is open to all members (subject to clause 4b below) of Rowing Clubs affiliated to the New Zealand Rowing Association Inc. who have a current Competition License.
  - b) Rowers must have attained the minimum age of 27 by 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022.
- 5. Event Status:**
  - a) The event is a **Permitted Event** pursuant to clause 54A of the COVID-19 Public Health Response (Protection Framework) Order 2021.
  - b) This Regatta Notice and the attached Regatta Terms and Conditions only apply to the event being run under Schedule 6 of the COVID-19 Public Health Response (Protection Framework) Order 2021 as published on 4 December 2021 and subsequent amendments. (The latest amendment referenced being 2 July 2022)
- 6. Boat Types:**
  - a) The Regatta will provide races for the following boat types:
    - i) Single Scull
    - ii) Double Scull
    - iii) Quadruple Scull without Coxswain
    - iv) Octuple Scull with Coxswain
    - v) Pair Oar without Coxswain
    - vi) Four Oar with Coxswain
    - vii) Four Oar without Coxswain
    - viii) Eight Oar with Coxswain
- 7. Classifications / Grades Contested:**
  - a) The Regatta will provide racing in the following classifications or grades for mixed crews as well as male and female genders:
    - i) A Minimum age 27 years
    - ii) B Average age: 36 or more years
    - iii) C Average age: 43 or more years
    - iv) D Average age: 50 or more years
    - v) E Average age: 55 or more years
    - vi) F Average age: 60 or more years

- vii) G Average age: 65 or more years
- viii) H Average age: 70 or more years
- ix) I Average age: 75 or more years
- x) J Average age: 80 or more years
- xi) K Average age: 83 or more years
- xii) L Average age: 86 or more years
- xiii) M Average age: 89 or more years
- xiv) Novice
- xv) Para

**8. Generally:** 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.

**9. Distance of Races:** The distance of all races shall be 1000m.

**10. 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.

**11. Race Program Format:**

- a) The regatta program of events shall be organised into eight blocks of events with a break between each block.
- b) Blocks 1 to 4 shall be raced on Saturday with the remaining blocks raced on Sunday.
- c) Events requiring heats shall have the heats raced at the start of the block and then followed by the finals in event order.

**12. Minimum number of Entries:** If, at the close of entries, there are three entries or fewer in any event, the event may be combined with another event within the same event block, if possible, in the opinion of the Regatta Controller.

**13. Qualification System:**

- a) In the situation where there are more entries in men's and women's events than places in the Final, a qualification system shall be used to determine the finalists for the Finals.
- b) The Qualification System will be a system based on heat placings as below:
  - i) 1 – 9 entries: All to Final
  - ii) 10 – 16 entries: 2 heats: places 1 – 4 to final
  - iii) 17 – 36 entries: 4 heats: places 1 – 2 to final
- c) In the situation where there are more entries in Mixed events than places in the final, the event will be run in divisions.

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

**15. Trophies:**

- a) The Union Rowing Club trophy will be awarded at this regatta.

- i) The trophy is a points trophy for which points will be awarded to Club Crews (comprising all members from the same club) with no points being awarded to composite crews.
  - ii) Points shall be awarded based on:
    - (1) 5 points for the first placed crew in each age regardless of where the crew finished in each age group meeting the criteria of cl 15.a.i above
    - (2) 3 points for the second placed crew in each age regardless of where the crew finished in each age group meeting the criteria of cl 15.a.i above
    - (3) 1 point for the third placed crew in each age regardless of where the crew finished in each age group meeting the criteria of cl 15.a.i above
- 16. Medals:** Will be awarded pursuant to clause 71.2 of the NZRA Rules of Racing 2021.
- 17. Pre-Regatta Safety Briefing:**
- a) A pre-regatta safety briefing will be held at 7:30pm on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2022 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 ALL 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 can only 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 Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2022.
- 21. Entry Fees:** The following entry fees will be charged:

Rowers: \$70.00 + GST – Coxswains (not rowing): No Charge

- 22. Approval:** The entry fees and levies were approved by the membership of the New Zealand Rowing Association 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. Entry Entities:**

- a) Entries may be submitted by Clubs affiliated to, and current financial members of, the NZRA.
- b) Accounts for Fees and Penalties will be sent to the organisation (Entity) that submitted the entry in all cases.
- c) No rower shall be entered by or represent more than one entity at the regatta.
- d) Coxswains shall be strictly subject to rule 22.8 of the NZRA Rules of Racing 2021.

#### **25. 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.

#### **26. Mixed Crews:** In events for mixed crews, the crew shall consist of equal numbers of each gender. The coxswain, if applicable, can be of either gender and is not included in the crew numbers.

#### **27. 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 ([www.karapirorowing.com](http://www.karapirorowing.com)); and
  - ix) the Karāpiro Rowing Anti-Bullying Policy [www.karapirorowing.com](http://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](http://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 may optionally 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 within 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 NZMM2022**

- j) 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.

**28. Late Entries:** Late Entries may be accepted at the sole discretion of the Regatta Controller but will not be accepted after the publication of the day sheet.

**29. 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.

**30. Boat Park:**

- a) No Boats or Boat Trailers are to be placed in the Boat Park before 12pm (midday) on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2022 under any circumstances.
- b) 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 and the Waipa District Council, whereby the club has agreed to pay all charges incurred to the Waipa District Council. Proof of the arrangement may be required.
- c) No trailers are to be parked in the Boat Park this season unless authorised in writing by Karāpiro Rowing Incorporated.

- d) The authorisation may take the form of the trailer allocation schedule published by Karāpiro Rowing Incorporated on their web site at [www.karapirorowing.com](http://www.karapirorowing.com)

## Post Entry Conditions

### **31. 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 prior to the scheduled start of the crew's race.
- i) After entries close, until 1 hour prior to the last race of the regatta, the online system (<http://rowit.nz>) will be available for substitutions.
- ii) After 4pm on Friday 16th September 2022, until 1 hour prior to the last race of the regatta, substitutions may be made at the Regatta Secretary's Office at the Control Tower in writing. (Substitutions can only be made online before then).
- b) The Regatta Controller shall have the sole responsibility for the recording and approval of substitutions in all cases, including Medical Substitutions. This is a variation on rules 46.1, 46.7.a, and 46.11 of the NZRA Rules of Racing.
- c) 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.
- d) Regatta Control will make available to the Race Committee all substitutions that have been approved.

### **32. Scratchings / Non-Starters:**

- a) Scratchings or withdrawal of crews must be advised to Regatta Control at least 60 minutes prior to the scheduled start of the crew's race.
- i) After entries close, until 1 hour prior to the last race of the regatta, the online system (<https://rowit.nz>) will be available for scratchings.
- ii) After 8am on Friday 16th September 2022, until 1 hour prior to the last race of the regatta, scratchings may be made at the Regatta Secretary's Office at the Control Tower in writing. (Scratchings can only be made online before then).
- b) Failure to scratch a crew that does not start its race will result in the crew being recorded as a Did Not Start. This is a variation on rule 56.6 of the Rules of Racing.

## Race Day Conditions

- 33. 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.

- 34. Regatta Control:** Shall act as the link between the Competitors, Crews and Coaches, and the Race Committee.
- 35. Racing Colours (uniform):**
- a) Competitors are to race in the Official Colours of the entity that submitted the entries.
  - b) Club colours are those that are registered with NZRA.
- 36. 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 officials are responsible for every crew from their Club 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.
- 37. Responsibility 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.
- 38. 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.
- 39. 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.

**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 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.

**41. 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) Coxswains shall weigh-in pursuant to rule 22.5(a)(i) 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.

**42. 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.

**43. 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.



- 44. 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.
- 45. 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.
- 46. Covid-19 Cancellation:** Should the Government change the Covid-19 Alert Level to a level which precludes Karapiro Rowing running the regatta, then Karapiro Rowing will refund 90% of all fees paid in association with entry to the regatta.
- 47. 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.
- 48. 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, 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 Karāpiro Rowing Incorporated. Regatta Notice and Conditions for NZ Masters Rowing Championships

any omission , wrongdoing, oversight, negligence, or other tort whatsoever on the part of any Regatta Official, or other person may be established.