

# 2015 Aon New Zealand University Rowing Championships

Whanganui River, Wanganui

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## Course and Transport

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The Whanganui River Course is located near the Aromoho Wanganui Rowing Club on Somme Parade. Wanganui is 2.5 hour drive from Wellington, which would be the closest major airport.

## Accommodation

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There is a mix of accommodation options in Wanganui, from backpacker, camp grounds or some cheaper motels. There is also the option of staying at some boarding schools. Below are some links to some options.

Braemar House -Address: 2 Plymouth St, Whanganui, 4500 Phone:06-348 2301  
<http://braemarhouse.co.nz/hostel-2>

Tamara Lodge Backpackers – address:24 Somme Parade, Whanganui, Phone: (06)347-6300  
<http://www.bbh.co.nz/hd122/Tamara-Lodge-Backpackers-in-Whanganui-New-Zealand.html>

College House – Address:42b Campbell Street, Whanganui, Phone: (021)852-100  
<http://www.bbh.co.nz/hd940/College-House-Backpackers-in-Whanganui-New-Zealand.html>

Anndion Lodge – Address: 143 - 145 Anzac Pde, Wanganui, Phone: 0800 343056 -  
<http://www.anndionlodge.co.nz/>

Holiday Parks

Top Ten – Address: 460 Somme Parade, Aramoho, Phone: 06-343 8402

Seaside – Address: 1A Rangiora St, Castlecliff, Whanganui, Phone: 06-344 2227

## University Championship Fee

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The following are the two fees that need to be paid by every competitor at the 2015 University Championships. These fees were voted on at the AGM and remain the same as last year. Your University Rowing Club will be invoiced for this cost based on the number of competitors you enter and it will need to be paid prior to the event starting.

University Championship Fee \$55

University Council Membership Fee \$10

**Total Cost per Competitor - \$65**

# Programme

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## Events on offer: Mens and Womens

**Championship** 8+, 4+, 4x+, 2-, 2x, 1x    **Lightweight** 2-, 2x, 1x  
**Intermediate** 8+, 4+, 4x+, 2x, 1x    **Tournament** 8+, 4+, 4x+    **Novice** 8+, 4+, 4x+

*Please note that there may be slight changes in the times on the day. A confirmed daysheet will be released once entries are received.*

## 2015 Programme

### Friday

1	8:00	Mens	Champ	8+
2	8:40	Womens	Champ	8+
3	9:00	Womens	Tournament	4+
4	9:20	Mens	Tournament	8+
5	9:50	Womens	Intermediate	8+
6	10:10	Mens	Intermediate	1x
7	10:40	Mens	Champ	4x+
8	11:00	Mens	Novice	8+
9	11:20	Womens	Champ	4x+
10	11:40	Womens	Novice	8+
11	12:00	Womens	Intermediate	4x+
12	12:20	Mens	Champ	2x
13	12:40	Mens	Intermediate	4x+
14	1:00	Womens	Champ	2x

### Saturday

15	8:00	Mens	Champ	2-
16	8:20	Mens	Intermediate	4+
17	8:40	Womens	Champ	1x
18	9:10	Womens	Intermediate	4+
19	9:30	Mens	Champ	1x
20	9:50	Womens	Champ	2-
21	10:10	Mens	Novice	4+
22	10:30	Mens	Lightweight	2-
23	10:20	Womens	Novice	4+
24	10:40	Womens	Intermediate	1x
25	11:00	Mens	Intermediate	8+
26	11:20	Mens	Tournament	4+
27	11:40	Womens	Lightweight	2x
28	12:00	Mens	Champ	4+
29	12:20	Mens	Intermediate	2x
30	12:40	Womens	Tournament	8+
31	1:00	Womens	Champ	4+
32	1:20	Womens	Intermediate	2x

# Regatta Information

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## Racing Rules

All events will be raced under the rules firstly of URNZ and then of the NZRA and FISA. The Championship Eights will be raced over 2 miles (approx 3200 metres). All other events will be raced over 2000m.

## Weather Cancellation

If any of the days of racing are called off for any reason, Sunday will be used.

## ID Checks

You must have your ID with you when you race (the cox should carry all the IDs for the crew). Random ID checks will be conducted as crews take the water. Officials will be checking IDs and anyone without their ID will not be able to race. For small boats each rower should carry their own Champs ID. Names will be checked against the names listed in the regatta program and team lists. Non-compliance with regulations will result in disqualification.

## Safety Code Compliance

This regatta is being conducted in compliance with the Rowing New Zealand Water Safety Code and Competition Safety Code. It is your responsibility to comply with these codes. All boats must be fitted with a bow ball. The heels of all shoes must be independently secured to the bottom of the boat.

## Crew Changes

It is very important that any crew changes from those listed in the program are communicated to the Regatta Secretary. Only 50% crew changes are permitted. The names of all crew members and coxswains must be accurately recorded in order to help comply with Maritime NZ regulations. Crew changes must be made at least 1 hour prior to the published race start time. A late crew change fee of \$10 will be charged. Crews racing with incorrect competitors will be disqualified.

**Classification of Grades** (Updated December 2014) – warning – if you can Google your athletes name and it comes up that they have rowed in a regatta – then they are not a novice! We do check – do not get your whole crew disqualified!

**Novice grade** - *The novice grade competitors must not have rowed or received any rowing coaching prior to February 1st of the current year.*

**Tournament grade** - *The tournament grade is for competitors who have*

- a) *only ever raced at University Rowing Regattas*
- b) *or only raced a novice season at club/school and was not a medallist during that season.*

**Intermediate grade** - *Rowers ineligible to row in intermediate grade include:*

- a) *A rower who has won an Under 20 or Under 22, Senior, Premier, Championship, Lightweight, or Club classification race at the NZ National Rowing Championships, or who has represented a Regional Performance Centre, within the previous two seasons.*
- b) *A rower who has competed within the previous two seasons as a New Zealand representative in any New Zealand Elite, Under 23, Junior Crew, Youth Olympic Crew, New Zealand Academy crew, New Zealand development crew, New Zealand University crew (excluding Trans-Tasman Lightweights), or any other similar New Zealand representative crew as may be defined by the President and Vice President of the University Rowing body.*

**Championship grade** - *All rowers are eligible to row in the Championship grade.*

## Event Start Times

Refer to the regatta day sheet for the start times of each race. Races will start without you if you are not at the start. Crews must be in the starting zone at least 5min before their event.

## Lane Numbers

All boats must display their lane number, reading correctly to the finish line judges. For lanes 10 or higher, display the last digit of your lane number – so for lane 10 display a 0, for lane 11 display a 1 and so on. Alpha numeric will be used and any lost numbers will be charged to the club.

## Coxswains

The minimum weight for coxswains is 55kg. All coxswains must weigh in before their first race. Spot weight checks will be conducted. If your coxswain is underweight, your crew will be disqualified. All coxswains must wear life jackets. No weights are to be affixed to bodies or clothing at any time.

## Scratchings

Scratchings must be lodged with the Regatta Secretary no later than 1 hour prior to the published race start time. A late scratching fee of \$10 will be charged. A no-show fee of \$50 will be charged for any crews that fail to arrive at the start line without having submitted an official scratching form.

## Protests

Protests may be lodged with the Regatta Secretary for a fee of \$40. This fee will be refunded if the protest is upheld or at the discretion of the regatta secretary. Protests will be considered as per the URNZ Regatta Policy. Protests must be lodged within 1 hour of the conclusion of the race in question.

## Lightweights

The maximum weight for lightweight women is 62kg and for men is 75kg. There are no average crew weight requirements. Weigh in commences 2 hours before the start time of the event and closes 1 hour before the start time. Competitors who fail to weigh in will be disqualified.

## Prizegiving

Weather permitting, the prizegiving will be held outside by the boat launching area shortly after the last race.

## Function

A function will be held on the Saturday night, location tbc.

## Visitors and Spectators

Visitors and spectators are very welcome at the regatta.

## Miscellaneous

No alcohol is to be consumed at the regatta at any time, this includes competitors, supporters and spectators. All competitors excluding coxswains must wear a singlet, t-shirt or rowsuit in their club colours. Training is not permitted on or near the course at any time during the regatta, or within 30 minutes of the start or finish of the regatta. Any crew or crew member found guilty by the Race Committee of bringing the regatta, RNZ or the sport of rowing into disrepute, on or off the water, may be disqualified from further participation and may be subject to disciplinary action by their university's disciplinary committee. There is to be no car parking in the boatpark.

DISCLAIMER - Rowing NZ remind rowing clubs and rowers that every care will be taken by the regatta officials to ensure the regatta is conducted safely and efficiently and in accordance with the established regatta rules. It is the responsibility of clubs and all rowers to ensure those rules are complied with. It is a condition of participation in the regatta that no liability whatsoever will attach to or be accepted by Rowing

