

# UNIVERSITIES ROWING NEW ZEALAND

## 2013 Tertiary Regatta

24<sup>th</sup> August, Avon River, Christchurch

This regatta is open to all University and Tertiary institution rowers, but they must be studying (part or full-time) at the time of the regatta commencing and each student must be able to provide photo student identification at the regatta.

Racing is to take place on August 24<sup>th</sup> with the 25<sup>th</sup> considered the spare day. Events available will be Coxed Fours, Coxed Quads and Eights only. Racing format will consist of time trials and then match racing for final placings.

The grades available will be Novice and Tertiary (regulations for grades will be the same as the current University Championships Grades, see appendix A). No current RPC athletes are eligible to race in this regatta.

Crews can establish composite crews with up to 50% of the crew from a different institution but the entire crew must be from within the one province (as set out by the RNZ provincial boundaries).

Coxswains do not have to be from a tertiary institution but do have to come from within the province. This allows for the opportunity for school leavers to cox and experience the tertiary rowing experience.

A competition license will be needed for this regatta but this will be provided at no cost, if a rower continues on and rows during the summer season for a club then the license fee will be charged to the club they join at that time.

### Event Schedule – Saturday

Racing will consist of time trials and then match racing. Detailed race timetables will be provided closer to the regatta. It is subject to change without notice. All crews must check the daysheet for final official start times.

- 🕒 Men's and Women's Tertiary Quad
- 🕒 Men's and Women's Tertiary Four
- 🕒 Men's and Women's Tertiary Eight
- 🕒 Men's and Women's Novice Quad
- 🕒 Men's and Women's Novice Four
- 🕒 Men's and Women's Novice Eight

## **Terms and Conditions**

### **Racing Rules**

All events will be raced under the rules of the NZRA and FISA.  
All events will be raced on the river and will be between 1000m-1750m depending on conditions and time allocation (we will advise crews once the programme is confirmed).

### **Eligibility**

All rowers must be a current student at a New Zealand Tertiary Institution and be able to produce student identification. Coxswains do not need to be a tertiary student but must be from within the same province.

### **ID Checks**

You must have your ID with you when register and this will be cross matched to your entry list. 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 (70mm length of heel lift). Coxswains must wear lifejackets.

### **Racing Colours**

Every competitor (excluding coxswain) must wear a uniform in tertiary institution colours. Those institutions without pre-existing racing colours are advised to contact officials to gain prior agreement regarding their colours as approval is essential.

### **Crew Changes**

It is very important that any crew changes from those listed in the program are communicated to the Regatta Secretary at least 1 hour before the race start. 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.

### **Composite Crews**

Composite crews are allowed at this regatta. Crews can be comprised of more than one tertiary institution as long as they are within the same local association (as defined by the Rowing NZ boundaries).

### **Classification of Grades**

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

*Tertiary grade – Any non-RPC rower can row in the Tertiary 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**

Alpha numeric lane numbers will be used. All boats must display their lane number, reading correctly to the finish line judges.

### **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. Coxswains do not have to be a tertiary student at this regatta

### **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.

### **Late Entries**

Late entries must be made at least 1 hour prior to the published race start time and will be accepted at the discretion of the regatta secretary.

### **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.

### **Prizegiving**

Weather permitting, the prizegiving will be held shortly after the last race.

### **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 supporters, visitors, spectators and anyone else.

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, regatta organisers 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 tertiary institution's disciplinary committee.

DISCLAIMER - University Rowing New Zealand and 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 University Rowing New Zealand and Rowing NZ for any damage to equipment or injury to persons incurred in the course of the regatta regardless of whether any negligence on the part of any regatta official may be established.

## **Appendix A**

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#### ***Novice grade -***

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#### ***Tertiary grade -***

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