

# North Island Rowing Championships

## Regatta Notice

1. **Regatta Dates and Format:** The event is a three-day regatta and shall commence at 6:30am on Saturday 28th January 2023 (with racing expected to start at 8:00 am) and shall continue through to the conclusion of racing on Monday 30th January 2023. Heats are expected to be run on Saturday and Sunday, with finals on Monday.
2. **Regatta Venue:** The regatta shall be held at the Mighty River Domain, 601 Maungatautari Road, Lake Karāpiro, Cambridge.
3. **Regatta Status and Structure:** This regatta is a **Major Regatta** as defined by clause 1.3.c of the [New Zealand Rowing Association Incorporated \(NZRA\) Rules of Racing 2021](#) (Rules).
4. **Generally:** The regatta will be conducted in accordance with the Rules except as now modified (as provided for in Rule 6.1 of the Rules) by Karāpiro Rowing Incorporated (KRI) in these conditions or by the Race Committee in exceptional circumstances on the day, and then only in the interests of safety and welfare of competitors, officials and volunteers, and/or fair competition.
5. **Distance of Races:** The distance of all races shall be 2000m.
6. **Course Description:** All races will be held on a buoyed 9 wire, 8 lane, straight course with a held start. The water for all intents and purposes is to be considered as still and without flow.
7. **Minimum Number of Entries:** If, at the close of entries there are 3 entries or fewer in any event, the event may be withdrawn from the programme or combined with another event.
8. **Qualification System:**
  - a. Entries into this regatta are to finals only!
  - b. In the case of eight or fewer entries, a preliminary heat will be held, provided that the regatta is not oversubscribed.
    - i. Where heats are running behind time, preliminary heats may be removed from the racing schedule.
    - ii. Preliminary heats are optional. Where a crew does not intend to race in the preliminary heat, Regatta Control must be informed at least 60 mins before the start of the race. If Regatta Control is not notified and the crew does not turn up, the crew will be deemed a Did Not Start.
    - iii. Preliminary heats will be races for lane allocation; unplaced crews and those who opt out will be placed randomly in the remaining lanes of the final. Where finals are running behind time or there is insufficient time to complete all finals, preliminary heats may be used to award medals.
  - c. In an 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 placings and in some cases based partially on times.
  - e. Time trials may be used to make up time should the regatta be severely delayed for any reason and is unable to be completed using the published progression system.

- f. Where the number of entrants in an event is such that there needs to be more than 6 heats, timed heats may be used. For example, if there were 7 or 8 heats, crews in the A final would be determined by finding the crews with the fastest 8 times across all heats in that event.
9. **Maximum number of crews per race:** Generally, races will be limited to a maximum of nine crews, but in most cases eight crews will be raced per race.
10. **Trophies:**
  - a. There are trophies awarded at this regatta:
    - i. The Gill Trophy for Men's Senior Single Scull
    - ii. The Gill Trophy for Women's Senior Single Scull
  - b. Points will be accrued toward the Karāpiro Trophy at this regatta.
11. **Pre-Regatta Safety Briefing:** A pre-regatta safety briefing will be held on Thursday 26th January 2023 at 19:00 via Zoom, using the following [LINK](#). Coaches and participants should refer to Rule 53 of the [Rules](#).
12. **Training when the regatta is booked by KRI:** Training while KRI has booked the lake may be allowed at the discretion of KRI subject to any conditions KRI may impose. KRI will provide information regarding any training before or at the safety briefing.
13. **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.
14. **Approval:** The entry fees and levies have been approved by KRI's membership at the 2022 KRI AGM.
15. **Boat Types:** Boat types that can be entered in this regatta are as published on rowIT.
16. **Order of Events:** As per the separate events list published on rowIT, as approved at the 2022 KRI AGM.
17. **Closing Date for Entries:** Entries close at 8am on Wednesday 18th January 2023.
18. **Entry Mode:** Entries can only be submitted electronically on the rowIT website (<https://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 Regatta Control for the regatta.
19. **Entry Fees:** The following entry fees will be charged:
  - Eights \$33.00 + 15% GST
  - Fours / Quads \$28.00 + 15% GST
  - Double / Pairs \$25.00 + 15% GST
  - Single Sculls \$22.00 + 15% GST
  - Amenity Fee \$24.00 + 15% GST
  - Seat Levy \$1.20 + 15% GST per sliding seat

## **Regatta Terms and Conditions**

### **Entry Conditions**

20. **Eligibility and Entry Entities:**
  - a. Entry to this regatta is open to all clubs that are members of NZRA and to all schools that are members of NZSSRA. No competitor shall represent more than one entry entity at the regatta, subject to Rule 22.8 of the [Rules](#).

- b. Accounts for fees and penalties will be sent to the organisation (entity) that submitted the entry in all cases.
21. **Composite Crews:** Local Association composite approvals required by Rule 18.1 of the [Rules](#) must be submitted by a Local Association representative by email to [regattacontrol@karapirorowing.com](mailto:regattacontrol@karapirorowing.com) or in writing to Regatta Control before the first race of the regatta. KRI will accept from Local Associations blanket Season approvals for composite crew entries at KRI regattas as the approvals required by Rule 18.1 of the [Rules](#).
22. **Entry Restrictions:**
- a. The following rower entry restrictions shall apply to this regatta (before supplementary entries open):
- i. Each rower is limited to three events.
  - ii. Each rower is restricted to two small boats per rower (pairs excluded).
- b. The following event entry restrictions shall apply to this regatta (before supplementary entries open):
- i. Clubs are limited to two crews each in singles and doubles events (excluding Premier and Senior events) but club entry limit extensions apply.
  - ii. Schools are limited to one crew each in singles and doubles events (excluding Premier and Senior events).
- c. Club entry limit extension: Clubs are permitted to enter one additional crew for each of their affiliated schools (but only for schools that are not entered separately as schools). These extra crews must be entered using the dual-entity recognition feature. The entry limit extension for one school cannot be transferred to another school or the club. If more than one dual-entity recognition crew is entered for a school then additional crews will count as club crews and towards the club limit.
23. **Entries:**
- a. By submitting entries to the regatta, the submitting entity agrees to abide by:
- i. the NZRA Rules of Racing 2021 and those documents referenced at Rule 6.2 of the [Rules](#), and
  - ii. the Constitution of the NZRA where appropriate, and
  - iii. the Constitution of KRI, and
  - iv. the Karāpiro Rowing Health and Safety Manual 2020, and
  - v. the Karāpiro Rowing Anti-Bullying Policy 2020, and
  - vi. these Terms and Conditions
- and shall pay all charges levied under these Terms and Conditions.
- b. Entries must include the information required by Rule 42 of the [Rules](#) and any other information specified in any applicable forms on rowIT. References to coaching teams (or similar generic names) are not acceptable since Regatta Control must be able to contact a coach for each crew directly.
- c. Entries shall include a record of any medical conditions or allergies that apply to competitors competing in the regatta as required by the form on rowIT. The entry entity shall ensure that this is accurate and up to date for all competing competitors.
- d. Entries shall include accurate information on the swimming ability of each competitor competing as required by the relevant form on rowIT.
- e. Clubs and schools will be invoiced for their entries by email after the regatta. The full entry fees are to be paid by direct credit within five (5) days of the date of the invoice.

- f. **Payment by Direct Credit:** Direct Credit to the account of **Karāpiro Rowing Inc** at the **ASB, Cambridge** – account number **12-3268-088115-50** (please ensure account suffix is correct) with invoice number and the club or school name supplied as a reference.
  - g. Entities that have outstanding fees from previous regattas will not be allowed to submit their entries or have their entries accepted until all arrears are paid.
24. **Tent Sites:**
- a. Tent sites, other than tendered 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. Tents erected without permission will be charged for or asked to be removed.
  - c. Tent sites for this regatta are \$165.00 + GST for front row sites and \$135.00 + GST for back row sites.
  - d. Tent sites will be allocated by random computer draw and the allocation will be published three days prior to the start of the regatta.
  - e. Tents are not allowed to be erected earlier than 12pm (midday) on the day preceding the regatta and are to be removed by 8pm on the last day of the regatta.
  - f. 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 KRI. Should you require power, it can be booked via rowIT when completing entries. The cost for power is \$100.00 + GST.
25. **Amenity Fees:** An amenity fee must be paid for each and every competitor who is entered into the regatta as at 8:00 am on Friday 27th January, and for every competitor who is subsequently entered into the regatta (i.e. through any late entries).
26. **Late Entries:** Late entries may be accepted at the sole discretion of Regatta Control.
27. **Supplementary Entries:** 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. Entry restrictions will not apply to supplementary entries.
28. **Boat Park:**
- a. No boats or boat trailers are to be placed in the Boat Park before 10 am on the day before the regatta.
  - b. Boats and trailers are to be removed by 8pm on the last day of the regatta unless pursuant a private arrangement between the club/school and the Waipa District Council where the club/school agrees to pay all charges incurred to the Waipa District Council.
  - c. No trailers are to be parked in the Boat Park unless authorised in writing by KRI. Authorisation may take the form of the trailer allocation schedule published by KRI.

## **Post Entry Conditions**

### **29. Substitution of Competitors:**

- a. Substitution of crew members can only be done ONLINE on the rowIT web site (<https://rowit.nz>) up until 8am on Friday 27th January 2023.
- b. A club or school making a substitution of crew members after 8am on Friday 27th January 2023 shall make that substitution ONLINE on the rowIT website (<https://rowit.nz>) or at the Regatta Secretary's Office at the Control (Judges') Tower

in writing up until 60 minutes prior to the relevant race for the competitor at the regatta.

**30. Scratchings / Non-Starters:**

- a. Scratchings must be notified ONLINE on the rowIT website (<https://rowit.nz>) by 8am on Friday 27th January 2023, to avoid incurring a late scratching fee. Clubs or Schools scratching before this time will receive a refund of 100% of the relevant entry fees.
- b. A club or school submitting a scratching after 8am on Friday 27th January 2023 shall make that scratching ONLINE on the rowIT web site (<https://rowit.nz>) or at the Regatta Secretary's Office at the Control (Judges') Tower in writing until 60 minutes prior to the race.
- c. Scratchings received within 60 minutes of the scheduled race start time may not be recorded and will be treated as a Did Not Start.
- d. **Late Scratching Penalty:** Scratchings received after 8am on Friday 27th January 2023, and within 60 minutes of the race will be charged a Late Scratching Penalty of \$40 + GST.
- e. **Did Not Start Penalty:** A crew that has drawn to start in the heat of an event but which does not take part in that race shall incur a Did Not Start Penalty of \$60 + GST, payable by the relevant club or school (for the avoidance of doubt, this is instead of a Late Scratching Penalty).
- f. **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 \$125 + GST (for the avoidance of doubt, where a Non-Progression Penalty is charged, neither a Did Not Start Penalty or a Late Scratching Penalty will be charged).

**31. Substitutions and Scratchings due to COVID-19**

- a. A substitution of crew members made because that crew member has been infected by COVID-19 will be considered a medical substitution for the purpose of rule 46.7 of the [Rules](#). Where a crew is scratched because a crew member has been infected by COVID-19, this will be considered a scratching made due to medical reasons.
- b. A certification (in a form prescribed by Regatta Control, if any) by the Head Coach or another suitable senior club official of the relevant entrant entity accompanied by any evidence Regatta Control may require, will be considered as sufficient medical evidence of a crew member's infection of COVID-19.

## **Race Day Conditions.**

**32. Regatta Control:** Shall act as the link between the competitors, crews and coaches and the Race Committee. Regatta Control reserves the right to alter the racing schedule as published, after consulting the Race Committee.

**33. Racing Colours (Uniform):**

- a. Rowers are to race in the official colours of the entity that submitted the entries in the case of clubs and schools.
- b. Club colours are those that are registered with NZRA.
- c. School colours are those that are registered with the NZSSRA.

**34. Responsibility for Safety and Fitness:**

- a. Competitors shall take responsibility for their own health and fitness pursuant to Rule 8 of the [Rules](#).

- b. Club and school officials are responsible for every crew from their club or school, and specifically should ensure:
  - i. that each crew's boat complies with Rule 25 of the [Rules](#); and
  - ii. 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 of Control Commission or Boat Marshall or Safety Officer prior to the crew taking to the water.

**35. 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 competitor has 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 KRI by the closing date and time for the entries.
  - ii. 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 as soon as possible.

**36. 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 the 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 are made aware of all medical assessments.
- c. Clubs or schools will ensure that each competitor that is assessed by either the on-site first aid team or assessed externally to the regatta and who receives an assessment as being unfit to compete is removed from racing by substituting them out of all crews in which they are entered or scratching all crews in which they are entered or through a combination of scratching and substitution.

**37. Lake Use During Regatta:**

- a. **GREEN Flag** - the lake is open for 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 without the express permission of the Chief Umpire.

**38. Water Traffic Rules:**

- a. The traffic rules for training and racing are as displayed at the Number's Hut. The traffic rules must be strictly complied with.
- b. During racing, all crews must always 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.

**39. Coxswains:**

- a. Coxswains shall weigh in pursuant to Rule 22.5(a)(i) of the [Rules](#) (i.e., not less than one hour and not more than two hours before their first race of the regatta).
- a. Coxswains will not wear heavy cotton or woollen clothing (such as jeans, sweaters or sweatshirts) but suitable clothing that will keep them warm (e.g., poly-pros, polar fleeces etc) such that in an event of capsizing or sinking, the water will not render the clothing a hazard.
- b. Lifejackets –
  - i. coxswains must comply with Rule 22.7 of the [Rules](#) or must wear a non-inflatable buoyancy aid which is substantially compliant with New Zealand Standards (NZS 5823:2005), suitable for their size and age and/or weight, and outside all other clothing.
  - ii. Lifejackets must be in good condition and have in a legible state, the manufacturer's label, and certification intact.
  - iii. **Under no circumstances are inflatable (either manual or automatic) lifejackets to be worn by coxswains during the regatta.**

**40. Boat Numbers:**

- a. Crews without a number will not be allowed onto the water. If a crew loses their number on the way to the start, they should inform a Race Official immediately.
- b. Numbers not returned will be charged at \$25 + GST per instance.
- c. A crew that crosses the finish line with an incorrect bow number may be excluded.

**41. Boat Safety Standards:** It is a matter of prime importance that all boats must be in a safe condition for rowing. Crews are responsible for this pursuant to Rule 25 of the [Rules](#). Race Officials (or other persons so appointed by the Organising Committee) will conduct boat safety compliance checks and all boats that pass the compliance check will have a sticker attached to the bow of the boat. Boats not displaying a sticker shall not be permitted to take to the water.

**42. Postponement or Cancellation:** The 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.

**43. Compliance with Part 101 of the CAA Rules:** Pursuant to Rule 101.207(a)(1)(i) participation in this regatta either as a competitor or as an official or volunteer shall be deemed to have consented to be under any unmanned or remotely piloted aircraft operated by KRI or any of its agents or contractors.

**44. Photography:** By entering this regatta under these conditions clubs and schools agree to having photographs, videos and/or other images taken of their competitors, supporters, volunteers, and coaches during the regatta which may be used for media and promotion purposes in connection with this event or future events and/or Rowing NZ or KRI business. No drones are permitted at this regatta (except for drones operated by or on behalf of KRI for the purpose of live-streaming or similar).

**45. 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 or school 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 NZRA or KRI 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.