



rowing news

FOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS

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School Events Calendar

Championship Regattas

6-8 March 2015

Aon North Island Secondary School Championships, Lake Karapiro, Cambridge

7-8 March 2015

Meridian South Island Secondary School Championships, Lake Ruataniwha, Twizel

23-28 March 2015

Aon Maadi Cup, Lake Karapiro, Cambridge

Other Events

22 March 2015

NZSSRA AGM held after the safety briefing at the Aon Maadi Cup regatta.

The new season has arrived – the 2014/15 season is underway and I am sure all your school rowing crews are taking to the water. Over the past month you have probably all been holding learn to row and open days in the hope of enticing new recruits into our wonderful sport. This will also be the time when planning begins and so please find my first update for the season ahead. This newsletter has some important reminders and information so please feel free to pass it on to all your coaches and teachers involved in rowing.

Maadi Cup Feedback

A survey of coaches was conducted after last year's Maadi Cup about areas of the regatta that need improvement as well as how we might handle the considerable growth. We sought opinions about entry limits (crew per school vs per pupil), how a qualification regatta might work, how time trials were received and asked for some innovative ideas on how the regatta could change. Sonya will be presenting a summary of the feedback and would like to discuss some of these ideas further, she will be at some of the early season regattas around the country to hear from you all.

Common ideas from coaches included

- restructure of the grades, combine U17/U18, don't have U15 and novice
- only more senior students and/or experienced rowers attend Maadi
- qualification system at other regattas
- delete some events/Add no more
- encourage coaches to only bring their best crews
- time trial
- per pupil limits e.g. no more than 3 races per person

If you would like to give further feedback on the above areas or any others you are welcome to speak to Sonya at any time.

Review of NZSSRA Regatta Safety System

This year is the four-yearly review of the school rowing regatta safety system. The Schools Committee will be reviewing the document which can be found online here <http://www.schoolrowing.org.nz/nzssra.php?page=CGC> should you have any feedback on the safety system please don't hesitate to contact Sonya.

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2015 Championship

Programme

8:30am	1	B U17 1X
8:50am	2	G U17 4+
9:10am	3	B U15 2X
9:30am	4	G U15 4X+
9:50am	5	B U18 2-
10:10am	6	G U18 2X
10:30am	7	B U16 4X+
10:50am	8	G U16 1X
11:10am	9	B U18Nov 2X
11:30am	10	G U18 Nov 8+
11:50am	11	B U17 8+
12:10pm	12	G U17 4X+
12:30pm	13	B U18 Lwt 4+
12:50pm	14	G U15 4+
1:10pm	15	B U18 4X+
1:30pm	16	G U18 2-
1:50pm	17	B U16 4+
2:10pm	18	G U16 8+
2:30pm	19	B U18 Nov 8+
2:50pm	20	G U18 Lwt 4+
3:10pm	21	B U17 2X
3:30pm	22	G U17 1X
3:50pm	23	B U15 8+
4:10pm	24	G U18 Nov 2X
4:30pm	25	B U18 4+
4:50pm	26	G U18 4+
		DAY 2
8:30am	27	G U16 4X+
8:50am	28	B U16 2X
9:10am	29	G U18 1X
9:30am	30	B U18 1X
9:50am	31	G U15 2X
10:10am	32	B U15 4X+
10:30am	33	G U17 8+
10:50am	34	B U17 4+
11:10am	35	G U18 Lwt 2X
11:30am	36	B U18 Lwt 2X
11:50am	37	G U16 4+
12:10pm	38	B U16 8+
12:30pm	39	G U18 4X+
12:50pm	40	B U18 2X
1:10pm	41	G U15 8+
1:30pm	42	B U15 4+
1:50pm	43	G U17 2X
2:10pm	44	B U17 4X+
2:30pm	45	G U18 Nov 4+
2:50pm	46	B U18 Nov 4+
3:10pm	47	G U15 8X+
3:30pm	48	G U16 2X
3:50pm	49	B U16 1X
4:10pm	50	B U15 8X+
4:30pm	51	G U18 8+
4:50pm	52	B U18 8+

Octuples and Novice Eights in 2015

The U15 Octuples and the U18 Novice Eights will be part of the official school programme and will be raced at the 2015 Aon North Island Secondary Schools, the 2015 Meridian South Island Secondary Schools and the 2015 Aon Maadi Cup.



Liquor Ban at the Karapiro Domain

The Waipa District Council has put in place a temporary liquor ban at the Karapiro Domain during the summer event period, which includes the 2015 Aon Maadi Cup. Any school wanting to hold a social function after racing will either need to hold it in the Don Rowlands Centre, off site, or enjoy socialising outdoors without alcohol being served.

For more information contact Liz Stolwyk, Mighty River Domain Site Manager, email liz@lakekarapiro.co.nz or phone (07) 827 4178. Or see the link below:

<http://www.waipadc.govt.nz/our-council/news/Pages/Liquor-banned-again-this-summer.aspx>

Rowing NZ Calendar

The 2015 Rowing New Zealand Calendar can provide your school rowing club an outstanding way to fundraise. Your club gets to keep 50% of the sales (\$10 per calendar – selling price is \$20) that's \$1000 for every 100 calendars sold. The club that sells the most calendars can be into win a brand new Concept 2 Indoor rowing machine.

If you would like to put in calendar orders for your school rowing team please contact Julie Dillon, Julie@rowingnz.kiwi or phone 07 823 4587. The calendars will be ready from the 7th of November so get your orders in now and we can get the calendars shipped to you and your club can get selling in time for Christmas!



Membership Fees for 2014/15 Season

The annual account for membership has been emailed to schools, direct to your sports coordinator. If you have not received an invoice please contact Sonya if you have not received it. Payments need to be made in order for your school to enter the school regattas in March (entry will not be possible without membership completed).

School Events

Calendar

Local Regattas

1 November 2014

Otago SSRA Term 4
Regatta, Otago Harbour

6 December 2014

McLachlan Shield (Wtgn SS
Champs), Wellington

31 January 2015

Mangakino Junior Regatta,
Mangakino

7 February 2015

Otago SSRA Term 1 regatta,
Otago Harbour, Dunedin

13 February 2015

Westlake Boys Junior
Regatta, Lake Pupuke,
Auckland

14 February 2015

Wellington Schools Regatta,
Korokoro, Wellington

14 February 2015

Aon Head of the Harbour,
Lake Pupuke, Auckland

21-22 February 2015

Mighty River Power Junior
Regatta, Lake Karapiro

28 Feb – 1 March 2015

Wanganui School
Championships, Wanganui

14 March 2015

Otago SSRA Head of the
Harbour, Dunedin

Water Safety

We would like to remind all of the rowing community including coaches and boat drivers to familiarise themselves of safe boating practices and water safety at the start of a new rowing season. Remember to always prep your boat, check your gear and know the rules.

The simple message to the rowing community is to be prepared. This means making sure your boats are well-maintained and properly equipped before you head out, this includes skiffs and coach boats. For coach boats remember the basics such as ensuring that you have enough petrol for the return trip, your lifejacket and the correct number of Personal Floatation Devices for the number rowers on the water. Check the weather forecast before you head out and make sure that you have at least two forms of reliable communication on board in case of an emergency. It's also important for Rowing Clubs/Schools to ensure that all coaches and boat drivers have completed a Club Safety Boat Operator Course.

All the safety information for schools and clubs is available on our website

http://www.rowingnz.kiwi/Category?Action=View&Category_id=493



School Colours – updating your rowsuits

Schools are required to compete in approved colours so if you are updating your rowsuit stock please make sure the colours you have are the ones registered against your school name. Check out www.schoolrowing.org.nz for a list of school colours. If your school is new or would like to change its colours you will also need to contact Sonya at sonya@rowingnz.kiwi and get your new colours approved.

Remember all colours need to be unique to the school (or a boys/girls school pairing) and distinctive from other approved school colours (and where practicable the club colours approved by the NZRA).

Updating your Contact Details

If your school has had changes in your sports coordinators or teachers in charge of rowing please email these new details to Sonya so we can provide your school with all the relevant information for the coming season. Any coaches who would also like to receive these updates please also send your details.

If you know of anyone who would like to be on the mailing list for this newsletter (Coaches, Managers, Rowing Parents) please email sonya@rowingnz.kiwi to be added to the list!

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