

AON 
MAADI REGATTA
27 MARCH - 1 APRIL LAKE KARĀPIRO 2023

Information & Safety Briefing

**Karāpiro
Rowing**

ROWING 
NEW ZEALAND

Welcome

Roll Call

Key people for the week

- Race Committee:
 - *Chief Umpire: Mary Birch
 - *Chief Starter: Jack Quirk
 - *Chief Judge: Peter Yeoman
 - *Chief Compliance: Colin Birch/Steve Mayo-Smith/Andrew O'Reilly
 - *Organising Rep: Sean Durkin
 - *NZSSRA and Rowing NZ Rep: Mark Weatherall
- Safety Officer: Greg Liddy
- Regatta Controller: Andrew Carr-Smith

Compliance

- **Boat Compliance:** Heel restraints, quick release, bow balls, hatches.
- **Boat Stickers:** Please remove all old compliance stickers from your boats.
- **Communication Devices:** A reminder that communication devices are not to be carried in the boat including smart watches with communication capabilities.

Compliance

- **Launching Pontoon Area:** Keep this area clear of all belongings (e.g. shoes, oar carriers, loose blades).
- **Medical Pontoon:** This pontoon is for medical emergency only.
- **Cox Weighing:** Not less than one hour and not more than two hours before their first race on each day of the competition. Yellow card if late, no show will be excluded. Ensure lifejackets are appropriate and good standard.

Compliance

- **Deadweight:** Shall be placed in the boat as close as possible to the coxswain. It shall not be connected in any way to a crew member nor shall it be of such a composition that it might impede their exit from the boat. In the case of a bow coxed boat, it shall not be placed in front of the coxswain.

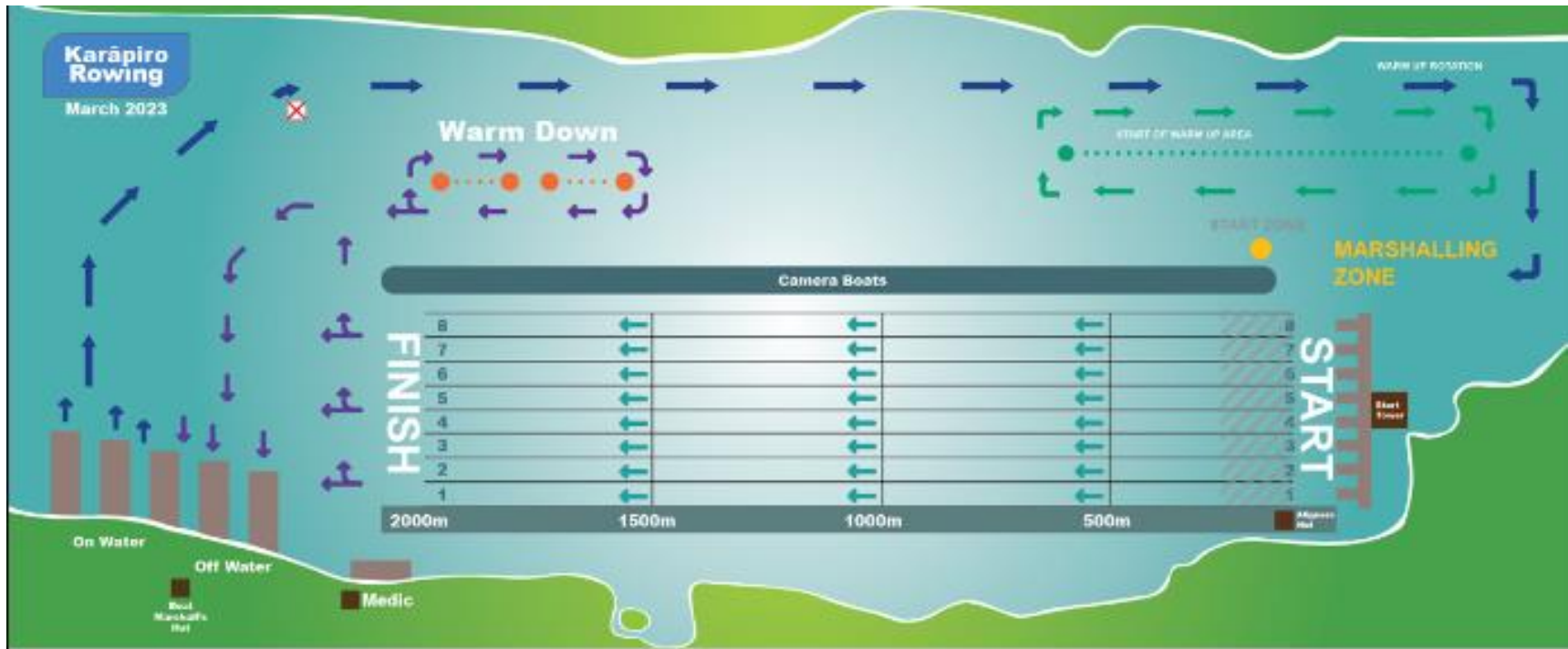
Compliance

- **Boat Weighing:** There will be boat weighing at this regatta.
- **Crew Changes/Substitutions:** Carry out substitutions no less 60 minutes before the first race for the event. There will be crew name checks.
- **Uniform:** Racing in NZZSRA approved entering entity uniform.

Compliance

- **Hot Seating:** At start/pontoons – you need to notify the Compliance Chief at the gazebo by marshal hut.
- **Red Flag:** If the **red** flag is flying or there is **no** flag the course is CLOSED.

Flow Pattern



Pontoons: use the correct pontoons for entry/exit, careful once finished a race they don't drift into pontoons, middle pontoon may be used to elevate congestion

Warm Up: heading toward start and clockwise pattern. The green buoy line must not be crossed (no shortcuts) when heading towards the start. When warming up in the finish direction the buoy lane may be crossed but crews must give way to ongoing traffic before re-joining the traffic flow

No entry zone: not in area towards pylons or beyond the weed wire

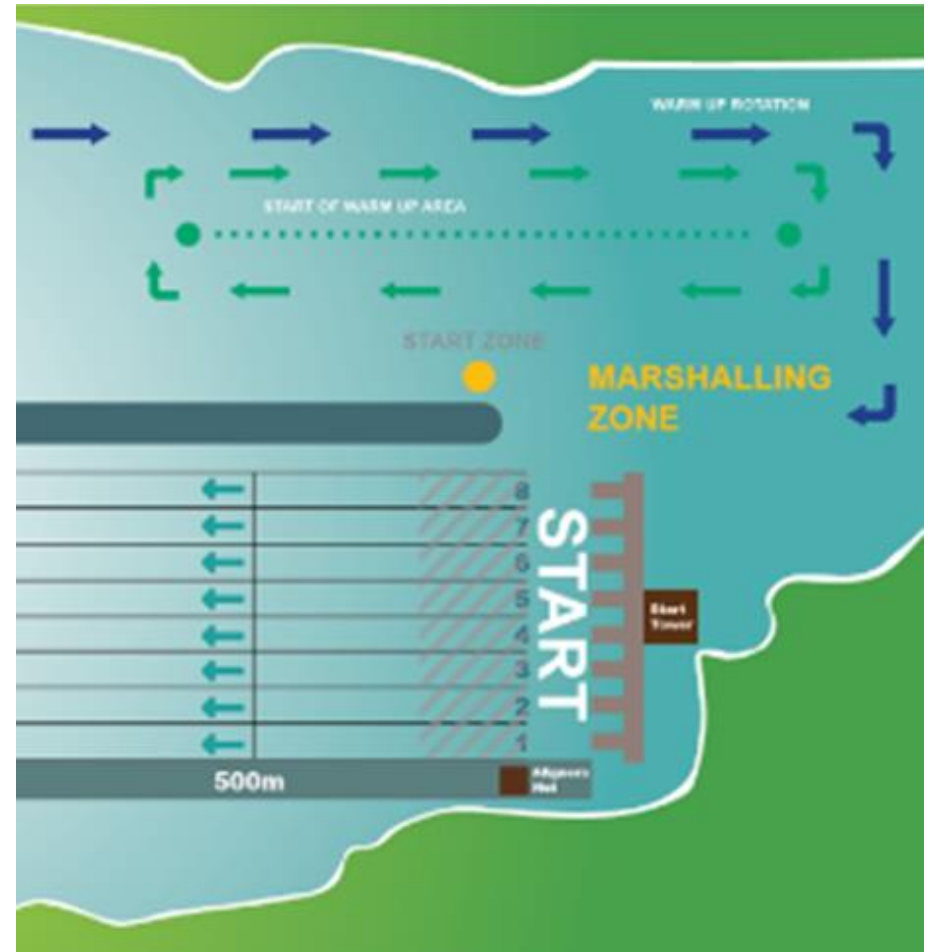
Course boundary: demarcated by big white buoys. Should crews exit this area, they will be stopped and directed back to the course

Medical Pontoon: for emergencies only

Cool Down: zone near finish line. **NO** boats to be on finish line when a race is finishing as this may interfere with the judges as racing boats cross the line (especially if the same class of boat).

The Start

- **Practice starts:** only within the warm up area adjacent to the green buoy line in the appropriate direction.
- **Start area:** Crews are to be visible 5 mins before their race in the marshalling area behind the Start. They will be called to form up by the orange buoy in lane order 1 to 8. Lane 1 goes into the start first.
- **In the held start (the blocks):** Stern first into blocks, and start backing close to pontoons.
- **Boat holders:** Present
- **Entering the start:** Please spend some time explaining to your rowers how to enter the start. During the regatta, it is expected that your athletes know how to enter the start blocks.
- **Start procedure:** All crews are to be held 2 minutes before the start of their race. Quick Starts and Roll Call will be made as required.
- **No entry zone:** Do not go past the weed wire.



Training

- **Morning Training:** No morning training can be held due to daylight.
- **End of Day Training:** Please consult with Chief Safety Officer **OR** Chief Umpire to discuss.
- **Training During Regatta:** Training will be allowed in the warm down area only. Crews are required to draw a number from the Numbers Hut. A briefing and clearance is required from the Chief of Compliance or the Chief of the Boat Park. Numbers may be restricted.

Ceremonial

If a crew wins a medal, that crew will be advised by a race official at the end of the race.

- If a crew is asked to have their boat check weighed, they will row to the pontoons to proceed to the boat weighing station. After check weighing, they then walk to the medal dais or they can get back in their boat and row back to the dais (umpires will ensure that this is done in a safe manner and in between any applicable races).
- If a crew is not required to have their boat check weighed, they can row to the dais as normal.

Medal presentations will take place roughly **45** mins after the start of the A Final for that event.

Safety Officer Update

- **Weather:** Chilly mornings, possible FOG, clear days with light winds.
- **Medical:** Please ask all Caregivers to update the athletes medical conditions.
- **Covid & Flu:** Watch out for any symptoms around Covid and Measles. Please still be vigilant and if cases develop notify Medical.

Safety Officer Update

- **Traffic pattern:** Crews to be particularly vigilant when turning in Warm up or Warm down lanes.
- **Help:** If any crews require help, (spanners, medical etc), **ALL** crew are to raise their hands.
- **Finish:** **Do not** lie down in the boat after crossing the finish line as we assume there is medical event if this occurs. Please exercise caution with congestion around the pontoons as races finish.

Safety Officer Update

- **Rescue:** If there is a capsized boat, please stay with the boat. The first boat there, will ascertain if all the crew are okay, and if possible clear the course. The safety boat will then arrange recovery.
- **Red flag:** A **red** flag means stop rowing.

Parking

- **Minivans and Coach Passes**
 - Monday to Thursday via Gate 3
 - Friday and Saturday – Mercury Land, by the Dam Road
- **Gate 1/Judd Lane**
 - Athlete drop off
 - Boat trailers and tow vehicles

The Dam Road will be CLOSED

Parking

- **Gate 2**
 - Upper Boat Park access (no vehicles to park in this area)
 - Tow vehicles
 - Buses (big ones)
 - Race Officials, Volunteers and VIP's
- **Gate 3**
 - Public
 - Disability Parking
 - Overflow coach parking

ABSOLUTELY NO PARKING ALONG MAUNGATAUTARI ROAD

Boat Park & Trailers

- Please ensure that boats are not overhanging onto the road/walkways. Please take special note when loading trailers in Upper Camp Ground post racing.
- Please do not place boats on any dumps on roads or walkways.
- In the Upper Boat Park area, please do not rest oars over the fence railing as this protrudes onto the cycle path.
- Please keep 2-3 small boats on all trailers located in the SDR carpark.

Vehicles

- **Coach Parking:** Gate 3 & Mercury Land.
- **Dam Road:** The road over the Dam will be closed.
- **Spectator Cars:** Entry and Exit at Gate 3. Two dedicated lanes – prepaid parking/casual day parking. **NO CASH.**

Reminder that parents and supporters also need to adhere to code of conduct and we ask them to be patient at the gate with the parking staff.

Vehicles

- **Trailers:** Please use wheel clamps/tow ball locks to secure your trailers.
- **Seat Belts:** Seat belts must be used where fitted especially in vans/buses.
- **Van Parking:** Gate 3 & Mercury Land. Please follow the attendant's instructions.
- **Vehicle Speed:** Please ensure support people drive slowly when parking and around drop offs.

Athlete Tents

- Where space allows, each trailer can erect a 3m x 3m athlete tent immediately adjacent to the boat trailer.
- Trailers allocated parking on the island of Judd Lane, can erect a tent on the slope between the Upper and Lower Boat Park.

Athlete Tents

- Gazebos can be placed around the northern and western boundaries of the boat park.
- Please do not erect any tents along the western side of Judd Lane, under the trees, as the branches are not secure and are not maintained.
- Please ensure all tents are securely tied down and guide ropes are not obstructing any walkways.

Personal/Safety

- **Evacuation point:** At the top of the hill, by the main road
- **Temperature:** Hot/cold – be appropriately dressed
- **Athlete Welfare:** Hydration/food
- **Medics:** Located in front of the grandstand near the finish line

Personal/Safety

- **Social Media:** Coaches to be vigilant around the social media groups (the anonymous ones) and they to notify Chief Umpire immediately should it come to their attention.
- **Un-Sportsmanlike Behaviour:** Please refrain from using bad language in all areas of the venue, both on and off the water.

Venue

- **Alcohol/Smoking/Drugs:** This regatta is deemed to be Smoke, Alcohol and Drug free for the participants and the conduct provisions apply to any breaches. Coaches and Crews are advised that, as a condition of entry into this regatta, rowers may be required to undergo tests for substances prohibited by Rowing New Zealand's anti-doping code, the International Rowing Federation, World Rowing and the IOC. Such tests will be undertaken by the New Zealand Sports Drug Agency who will be acting in an independent capacity under the New Zealand Sports Drug Agency Act.

Venue

- **Boat Park:** The boat park is a restricted area – coaches/athletes only.
- **Cycling & Scooters:** No cycling or scooters in the venue however *cycling to the venue is encouraged through to Gate 2 and parking is available outside the Waipa Room.*
- **Dogs:** No dogs permitted on site.
- **Drones:** There will be a KRI/Rowing NZ drone present. No other drones permitted.

Venue

- **Photography:** The start and boat park are restricted to accredited photographers only, by invitation. All accredited media will be in hi-vis vests.
- **Tents:** If you are cooking/BBQing, a fire extinguisher must be at your tent.
- **Tent supply drop-off:** Please collect a pass from the Office. 20 min parking only. Closes 30 min prior to the start of racing.

Waste Management

Sort Yourself Waste Station

Please no single use water bottles on site

KRI would like to encourage all schools to sort your rubbish within the confines of your own tent, making delivery and processing faster.

Location: next to first block of toilets on the Spectator Embankment.

Operating Hours: 2pm to approx. half an hour post the end of racing each day.

This station will operate in lieu of public rubbish bins and an end of regatta skip collection.

Waste Management

Please assist the KRI Volunteers and keep our site clean.

You may be asked to assist in picking up litter around the event site.

It is a long week for everyone so your support with keeping your areas free of litter, is much appreciated.

Keep your waterways pest free



Check



Clean



Dry



Final Reminders

- Compliance – do your checks before coming down to water.
- Athletes are taking their time once boating to get to the start, more so in a head wind.
- Please remind athletes not to lie down in the boat once they have crossed the finish line.
- While on the course, crews to put hands up if any issues arise.
- Any further issues, come and speak to an official.

Questions?