

2026 North Island Inter-Provincial Championships

25 & 26 September 2026

Regatta Information
&
Safety Briefing



KRI Regatta Information &
Updates (Coaches & Managers)

WhatsApp group



Welcome
Carol Howard

Key People for the Regatta

- Event Manager: Carol Howard
- Chief Umpire: Kim Harrison
- Chief Safety Officer: Greg Liddy
- Regatta Controller: Tricia Balle
- Volunteer & Catering Manager: Nic Peacocke

Welcome

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- As the key representative and Safety Officer for the Regatta, it is YOUR responsibility to ensure that the information shared in this presentation is shared with ALL the relevant people within your club.
- Please ensure you review the Regatta Information Letter posted on the [KRI North Island Interprovincial Regatta](#)

**ENSURE ALL THIS INFORMATION IS
PASSED ON TO ALL COMPETITORS**

Regatta Control

Tricia Balle

PHONE CALLS

- Don't ignore calls from 07 827 9222. Your crew could miss out on racing if you do!

CONDITIONS

- [Conditions](#) are posted on the rowIT Profile tab for each regatta
- Also see the [RNZ Rules of Racing](#)

NOTICES AND REGATTA UPDATES

- Keep an eye on the rowIT [Notices](#) page, which will be updated during regatta if required (e.g., weather delays)

Regatta Control – Race Programme

Tricia Balle

- Friday (4pm start): Long Distance Race Pylons to Finish (2 miles / 3219 m)
 - M Opn & U20 8+ (combined start), W Open & U20 8+ (combined start) & Mixed Opn 4x-
 - Side-by-side start for each race
 - Open and U20 crews will be awarded points separately.
- Saturday (8:30am start, 4pm finish (draft)): 1000m racing with heats (where required) and finals
 - Programme organised into 6 blocks of events with block breaks
 - Heats raced at the start of day, followed by finals (inc. straight finals) in event order. Heats only held when necessary (i.e., no prelims).
 - Heats and divisions seeded based on crew number.
 - Finals are **non-elimination—all crews proceed from heats to finals.**
 - Masters events interspersed in heats and finals
- If weather forecast indicates racing only possible on Sat am, all events will be run in order & heats become divs. In that case, heats will be redrawn with all #1 crews in Div 1, etc.
- PLEASE let us know asap if you are scratching from final!
- Mainly 8 lane, some 9 lane races (to make length of day ok)
- Min 35 mins between events of same class (e.g., M U20 events)

Regatta Control – Crew Changes and Scratches

Tricia Balle

- No subs after heats except for medical reasons
- Make subs and scratches **no less than** 60 minutes before the published race start time
 - **Medical subs (with evidence)** can be made within 60 mins of race
 - Compliance WILL be checking crew names – don't risk being excluded!
- Onsite medics can issue stand-down certificate to support medical sub or scratch. Alternatively, any other qualified medical professional can write a note or email.
- Alterations can be made on rowIT (scratches only during regatta) or at Tower. Include a LEGIBLE phone number!

Race Committee

Kim Harrison

Chief Umpire: Kim Harrison
Chief Starter: David Haydock
Chief Judge: John Joyce
Organising Rep: Tricia Balle

Chief Compliance: Twan Van Duivenbooden

Compliance

Kim Harrison

- **There will be no calling of races. Assume the regatta is on time and be at the start in good time for your race.**
- **Boat Compliance:** Heel restraints, quick release, bow balls, compartment hatch covers.
- Please check your own boats in the presence of our Licensed Officials in Compliance
- **Launching Pontoon Area:** Keep this area clear of all belongings (e.g., shoes, oar carriers, loose blades).
- **Cox Weighing:** No cox weighing at this regatta.
- **Boat Weighing:** No boat weighing at this regatta.

Compliance

Kim Harrison

Hot Seating

- At Pontoons: you must notify the Compliance Chief at the gazebo by the on-water pontoons of any hot swaps.
- *At Start: The only access to the 1000m Start Platform is on-water*

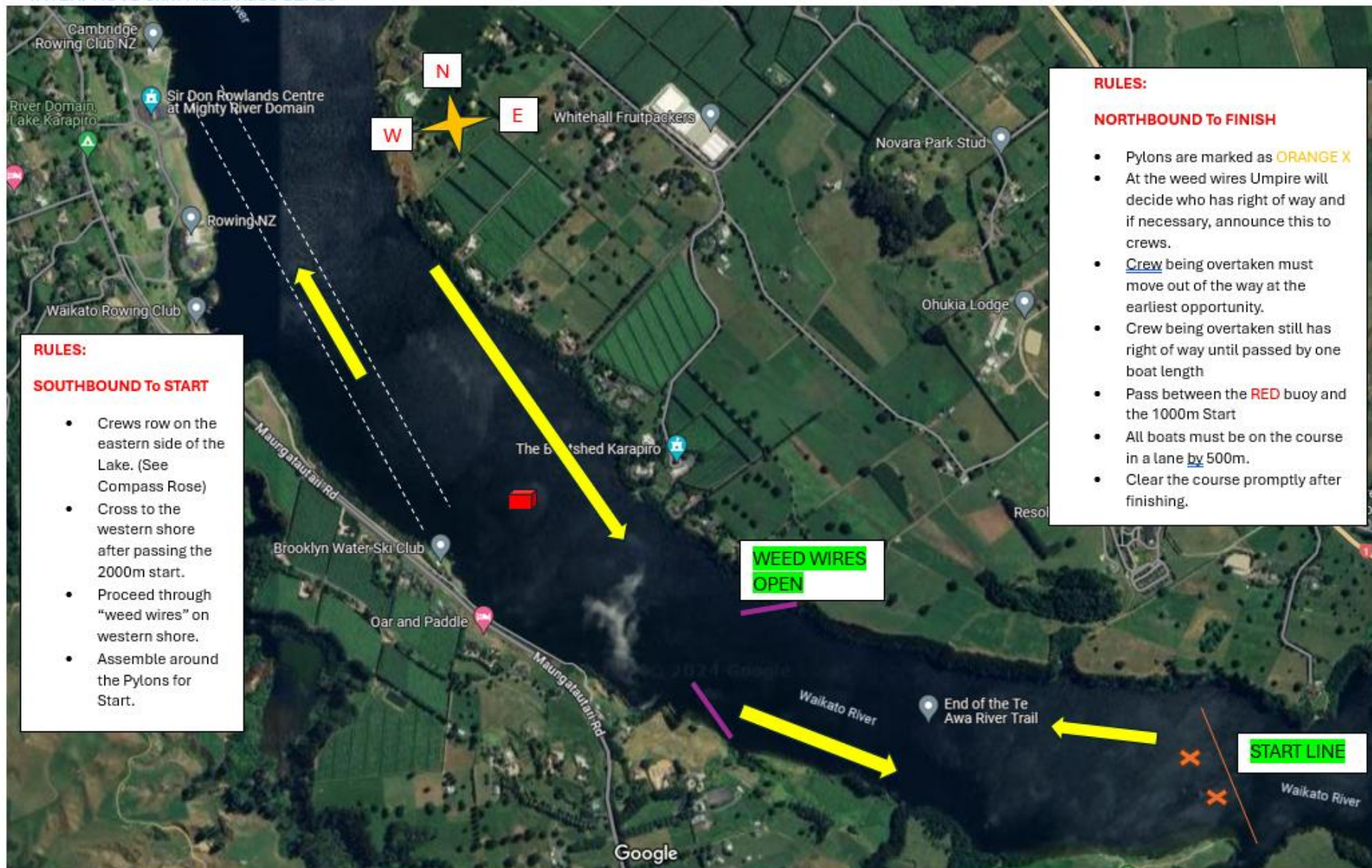
Uniform

- Race in your Association colours

Long Distance Race

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- See next slide
- Please share with ALL your Athletes
- Copies will be available from the Tower, from 1200 Friday.

**RULES:****SOUTHBOUND To START**

- Crews row on the eastern side of the Lake. (See Compass Rose)
- Cross to the western shore after passing the 2000m start.
- Proceed through "weed wires" on western shore.
- Assemble around the Pylons for Start.

RULES:**NORTHBOUND To FINISH**

- Pylons are marked as **ORANGE X**
- At the weed wires Umpire will decide who has right of way and if necessary, announce this to crews.
- Crew being overtaken must move out of the way at the earliest opportunity.
- Crew being overtaken still has right of way until passed by one boat length
- Pass between the **RED** buoy and the 1000m Start
- All boats must be on the course in a lane by 500m.
- Clear the course promptly after finishing.

Flow Pattern (Diagram next Slide)

Kim Harrison



- **Pontoons:** Ensure correct pontoon is used to enter or exit the water. The center pontoon will be a swing pontoon as advised by Compliance Team.
- **Flow Rotation:** Follow arrows as depicted on next slide.
 - White buoy with a **RED** cross must be rounded
 - The last **GREEN** buoy must be rounded to enter the marshalling area

DO NOT HUG THE BANK WHEN ROWING TO THE START

- **Warm-Up/Practice:** Line of **GREEN** buoys on Eastern side of Start.
 - Buoy line may be crossed West to East anywhere (give way to traffic)
 - Must **NEVER** be crossed East to West
 - Southern buoy must be rounded at all times
- **Warm Down Area:** There is NO Warm Down area at this regatta.
- **Southern Limit:** The **RED** buoy Line 200m past the Start **MUST NOT BE CROSSED!**

Karāpiro Rowing

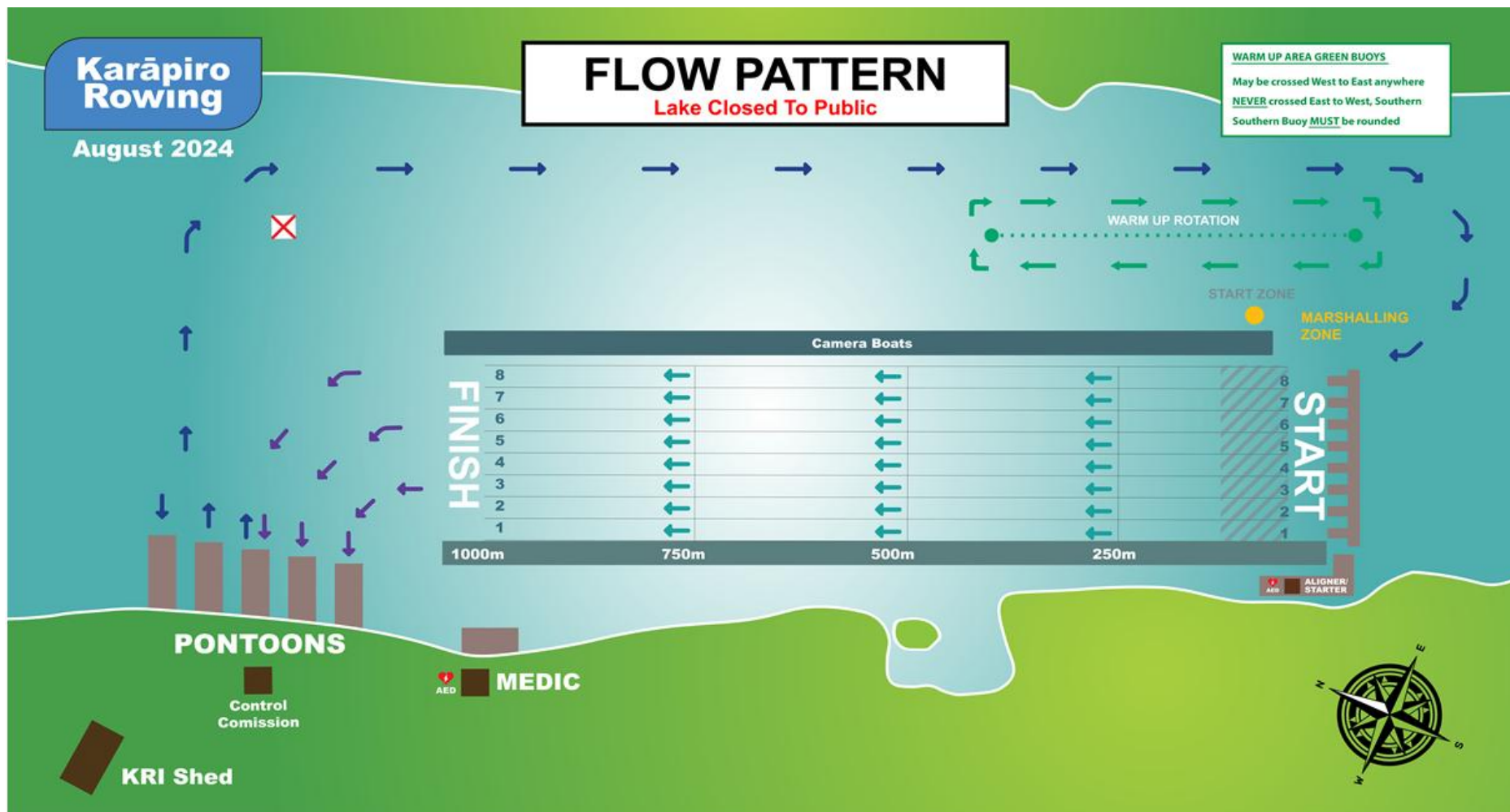
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FLOW PATTERN

Lake Closed To Public

WARM UP AREA GREEN BUOYS

May be crossed West to East anywhere
NEVER crossed East to West, Southern
Southern Buoy **MUST** be rounded



Safety Officer Update

Greg Liddy

- **Weather:**

Friday: Westerly 10-25kph. Occasional gusts to 30kph: 15deg: Partly cloudy

Saturday: Westerly 5-25kph. Temp 5deg: Cloudy

- **Medical:**

The Medical Team will be in the First Aid room.

(see Flow Rotation Map)

- **Athlete Welfare:**

Hydration/food/ Infectious diseases

Training

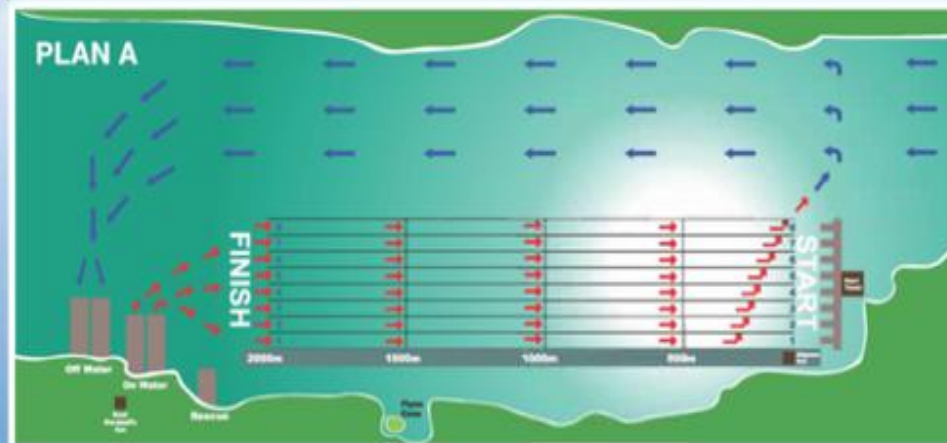
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- **Friday Morning Training:** The Lake is a Public Lake until 1200. Training allowed IAW the RNZ Water Safety Code. NOTE Rotation for Public Lake
- **Friday Afternoon:** Lake will close to the Public at 1200, Regatta Rotation. Crews can train IAW the RNZ Water Safety Code . (Unsupported Rowing) Crews MUST TEXT the Chief Safety Officer when ON/OFF the water.
- **Start of Day Training (Saturday):** Lake **closed to the public from 5am.** Regatta Rotation. Crews can train from this time until 45 mins prior to start of racing. (0730) You must TEXT the Chief Safety officer with your intentions and when ON/OFF the water.
- **End of Day Training:** Lake **open to the public from 6pm.** Crews can train after this time complying with the NZ Rowing Code Water Safety Rules.
- **Lake OPEN to Public:** When lake is open to the public, the flow rotation reverses; see next slide.
- **Training During Regatta:** Training is only allowed in Zone 3 (around the pylons). A bow number is required to be on the lake. Contact Chief Compliance to go on the water.
- If crews wish to row outside the confines of the course (red buoy line behind start), they **MUST** contact the Chief Safety officer

Lake Open to Public



NO LAKE CLOSURE
WITH OR WITHOUT
BUOYED LANES IN POSITION



- IT IS UNLAWFUL TO UTILISE THE LANES IN A DOWNSTREAM DIRECTION AT ANY TIME (E.G. HEADING FROM THE START LINE TOWARDS THE FINISH LINE)
- IMAGINE THERE IS AN IMAGINARY LINE DOWN THE CENTRE OF THE LAKE. ALL VESSELS MUST KEEP TO THE STARBOARD (RIGHT) SIDE OF THE LAKE.
- USE PLAN A WHEN TRAINING OUTSIDE A LAKE CLOSURE.

Safety Officer Update

Greg Liddy

- Please remind Crews NOT to lie down in the boat after the finish; we are very vigilant of athlete welfare after the race finish.

Assistance into boats following a capsize

Safety will assist Crews back into a boat if requested.

EVACUATION POINT

If an incident occurs requiring an evacuation of the complex, it will be announced over the PA system in the Boat Park.

ALL attendees must evacuate up the hill toward camp ground or carpark areas.

Para Rowers

Greg Liddy

- If you are entering a Para rower who is rowing in non-Para events, please contact regattacontrol@karapirorowing.com to ensure that the Safety Officer is informed prior to the regatta

Personal/ Safety

Greg Liddy

Temperature

Hot/cold – be appropriately dressed. There will be
Wind Chill

Traffic

Greg Liddy

A reminder for all travelling to and from the regatta!

Due to road resurfacing, SH1 Waikato Expressway (Cambridge) will be one lane in each direction from the Tamahere Interchange to the Victoria Road Interchange from Monday 20 July. Lanes are closed 24/7; expect delays at peak times. Allow extra travel time and travel with care through the worksites. Works run until November.

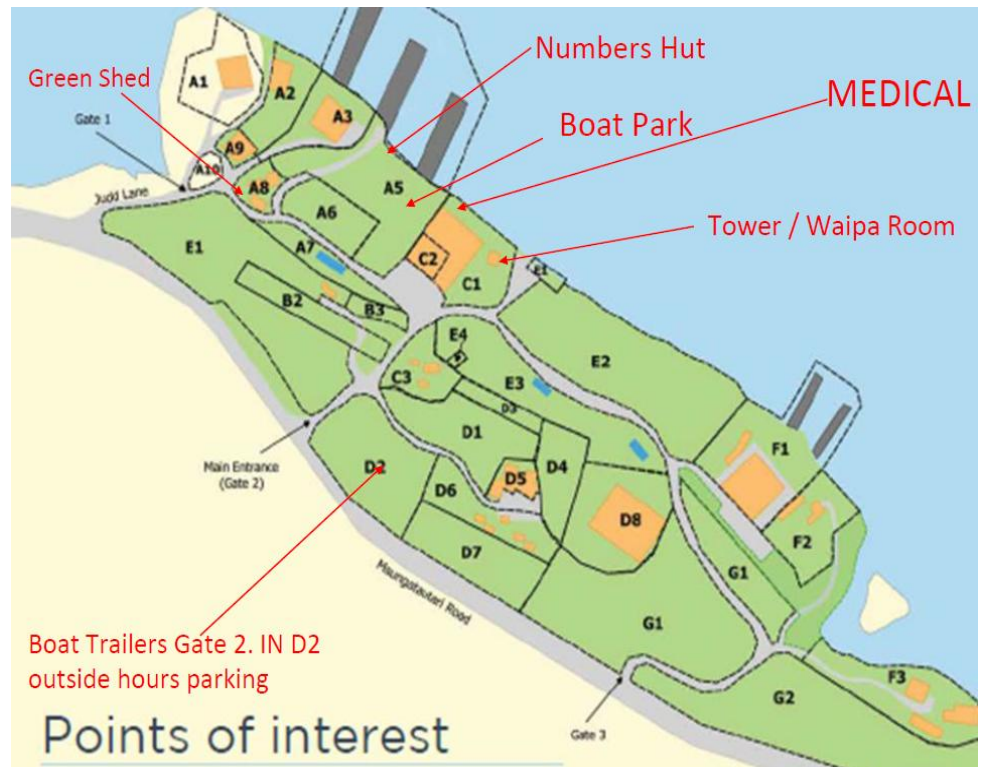
We strongly advise ALL rowing traffic to exit or enter SH1 at Tamahere interchange and proceed via Mystery Creek, Kaipaki Road and Lamb St to the lake.

Watch for updates from NZTA!

DAM ROAD IS OPEN (No Trailers)

Venue Points of Interest

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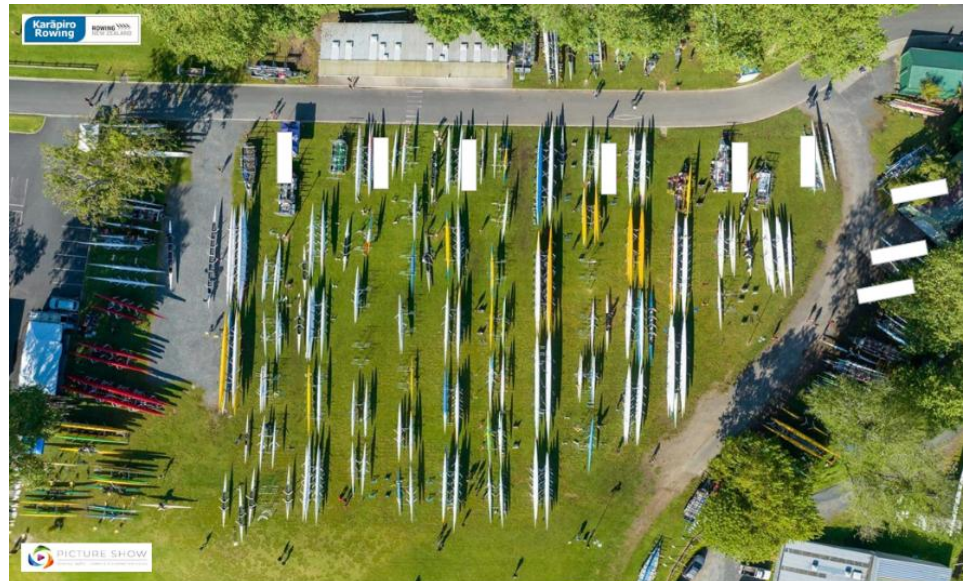


- Race Officials and Safety Officer will be located in the Finish Tower

Boat Park, Trailers and Club Tents

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- Trailers can arrive on site from **09:00 on Friday 25 September**.
- Tents can be erected anywhere. Please ensure tents are secured down and tent pegs are covered.
- Boat Racks: Please collect your own boat racks from the KRI Shed. Ensure they are secured with three pegs. Return and pack neatly at the end of racing.



**Karāpiro
Rowing**

ROWING 
NEW ZEALAND

Parking

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- While parking in the boat park is allowed, we request that cars park around the periphery.
- Parking is also allowed in Judd Lane, and Gate 2.
- No parking in SDR.

Dam road will be OPEN

Venue

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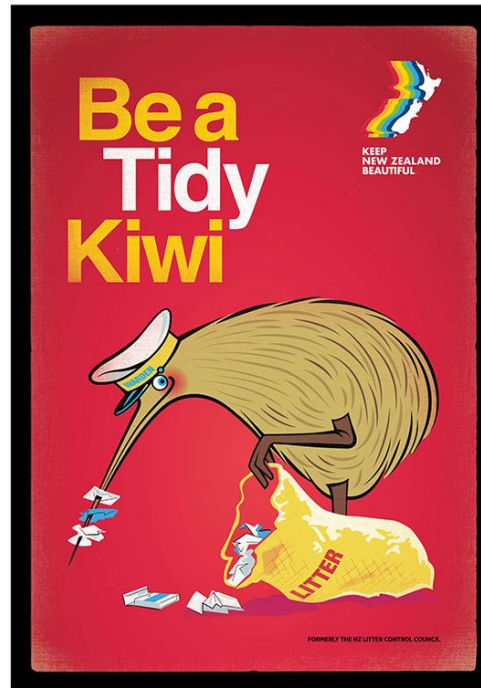
- **Vehicle Speed:** Please ensure you drive at a walking pace.
- **Bikes / Scooters:** No bikes or scooters to be ridden in the Boat Park area.
- **Dogs:** No dogs are allowed on the Site (Waipa Council rules).
- **Alcohol/Smoke/Drug free** – This regatta is deemed to be Smoke, Alcohol and Drug free 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, FISA 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.

Waste Management

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Bins will be located at by the boat park toilets



**Keep your
waterways
pest free**
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CHECK



CLEAN



DRY

**when you
move
between
lakes and
rivers**

Refreshments

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- There will be a coffee cart and a food truck under the “big tree” next too SDR. Please support them.

Reminders

Kim Harrison

- Bring an additional person with you to check the boat
- Compliant bow balls
- Heel restraints
- Quick release for shoes
- Compartment hatch covers
- Reminder to make all crew substitutions, including coxswains
- Unsportsmanlike behaviour will not be tolerated
- Prior to departure from site
 - ALL boats and equipment must be washed down.

Questions?

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