

# NORTH ISLAND ROWING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2024

## Information & Safety Briefing

**Karāpiro  
Rowing**

ROWING   
NEW ZEALAND

# Welcome

## Roll Call

Please ensure your Entering Entity name appears on your screen & type into chat.

### Key people for the week:

- Race Committee
  - Chief Umpire – Mary Birch
  - Chief Starter – Twan van Duivenbooden
  - Chief Judge – Tony Allen
  - Organising Rep – Steve Brine
  - Association Rep – Mark Elphick
- Chief Compliance – David Haydock
- Chief Safety Officer – Greg Liddy
- Regatta Controller – Andrew Carr-Smith

# Keep your waterways pest free



Check

Boat Wash Station: Outside the Green Shed; Main Boat Ramp and in Boat Park rows.



Clean

Bring own hose pipes for use in the Boat Park & containers to soak any absorbent material in.



Dry

Submission of Declaration form prior to departure from the regatta.



# Check Clean Dry

- ALL boats leaving the Lake need to Check Clean Dry, even if returning to salt water.
- Ensure you Check Clean Dry ALL equipment, not just boats.
- Check Clean Dry boats inside and out.
- Please do not derig boats within a Check Clean Dry Station.
- There are hose connections in majority of the boat park rows – by the power poles.
- Declaration forms to be submitted by EVERYONE.



# Waste Management

## *Sort Yourself Waste Station*

Please use reusable bottles and containers where possible.

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

Only transparent bags will be accepted (no black bags).

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

Operating hours: 10am - to ½ hour post end of racing.

All clubs are requested to assist in picking up litter in your area at the end of the day – let's leave the site the way we found it.



# Parking

- **Mercury Land:**
  - Minivans
  - Coaches, on presentation of Coaches Pass
  
- **Gate 1/Judd Lane:**
  - Athlete drop off (no parking)
  - Boat trailers and tow vehicles (display towing pass)
  
- **Gate 2:**
  - Tow vehicles (display towing pass)  
    Buses (big ones)
  - Race Officials, Volunteers and VIPs

# Parking

- **Gate 3:**
  - Public
  - Mobility Parking

**ONLY EFTPOS ACCEPTED**

**Prepaid parking tickets available for purchase from the KRI Office  
(discounted)**

**ABSOLUTELY NO PARKING ALONG MAUNGATAUTARI ROAD  
YOU WILL BE TICKETED**

# Boat Park & Trailers

- The Boat Park is only accessible from 08:00 on Friday, until 18:00. Should trailers arrive outside of this time, please park via Gate 2 on the right.
- Ensure your rowers are aware of the correct way to load boats in the Boat Park.
- Please do not place boats on dumps on roads or walkways.
- Please ensure there are NO overhangs of boats onto walkways or roads



# Boat Park & Trailers

- Please ensure you do not rest any oars or equipment over the back fence in upper campground.
- No travelling in the back of utes or on boat trailers.

**During the regatta, the Boat Park is limited to competitors and coaches only.  
Should you need assistance, please approach any of the KRI volunteers in  
compliance to assist.**

# Trailer Tents

- Where space allows, each trailer can erect a 3x3 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.
- Please do not erect any tents along the western side of Judd Lane, under the trees, as the branches are not secure.
- Please ensure all tents are securely tied down and guy ropes are not obstructing any walkways.

# Spectator Tents

- Can be erected on Friday, no earlier than midday.
- Should you have gas present in your tent, you **MUST** have a fire extinguisher readily available.
- Ensure all tent pegs are safely covered.
- Ensure no tent legs or guy ropes obstruct emergency access paths.
- Do NOT remove any bollards when accessing the area.

# Spectator Tents

- Ensure all electrical equipment has been tagged and tested.
- Provide various bins for ease of sorting refuse at the Sorting Station.
- **Tent Supply drop-off** –Please collect a pass from the Office.  
20 min parking only.

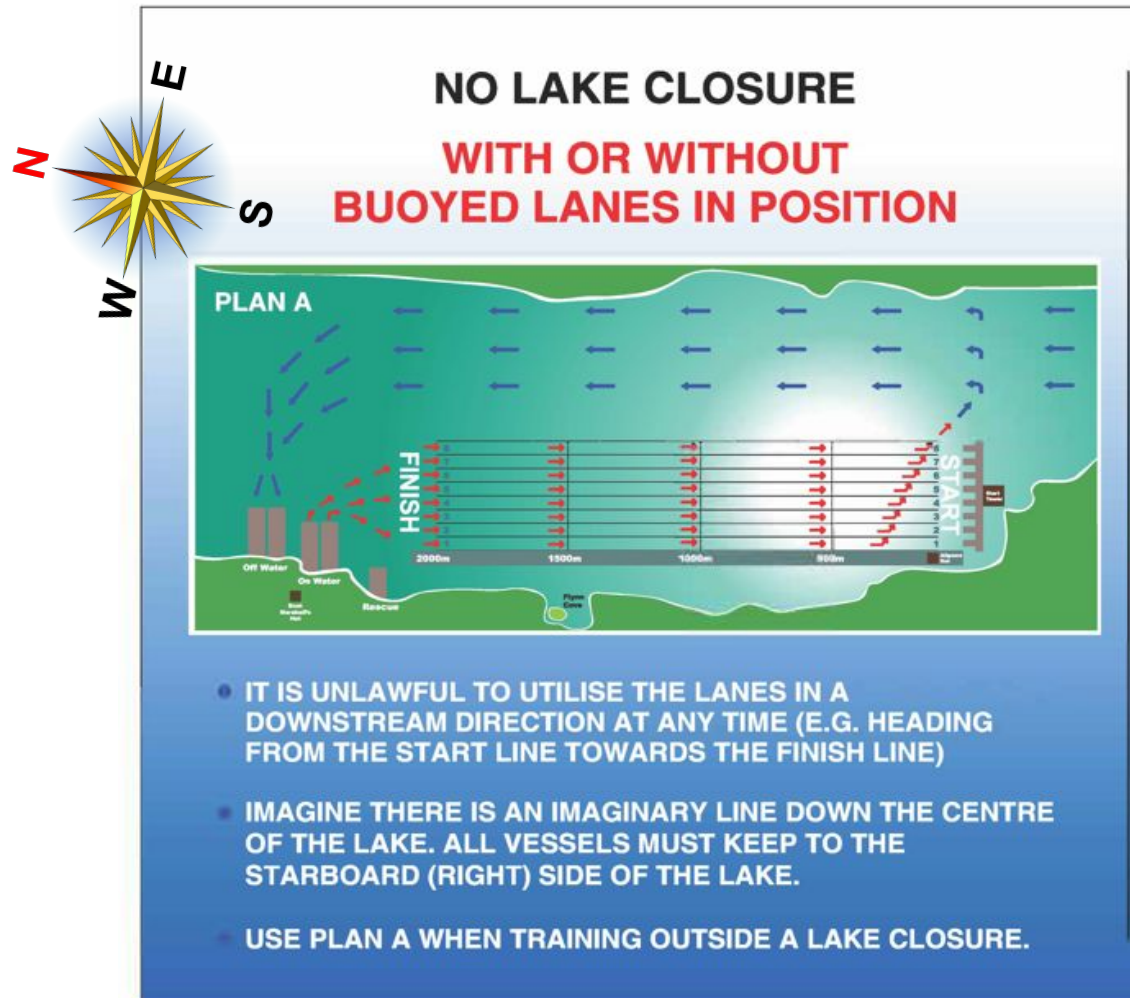
This pass is to last you the entire season

# Venue

- **Boat Park** – is a restricted area—coaches/athletes only.
- **Coaches Room** – Don Rowlands Center.
- **Photography** – Start is restricted to accredited photographers by invitation only; Boat Park no entry.
- **Drones** – there may be a KRI drone present. No other drones allowed.
- **Cycling & Scooters** – no RIDING of cycling or scooters in the venue.
- **Dogs** – please no dogs on site. \$300 fine issued by Waipa District Council.
- **Alcohol/Smoke/Drug free** – this regatta is deemed to be Smoke, Vape, Alcohol and Drug free event.

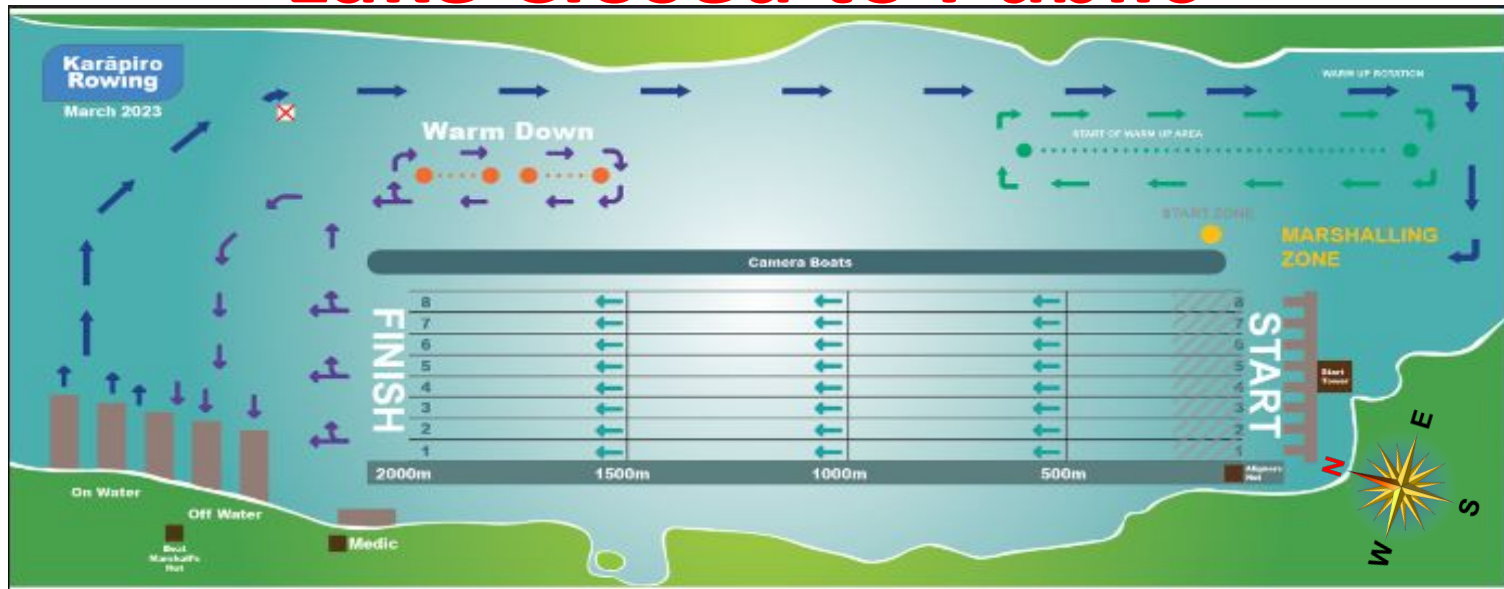
# Flow Pattern

## Lake Open to Public



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## Lake Closed to Public



**Warm Up** – Green buoy line and clockwise pattern. The green buoy line **must not be** crossed from East to West (No shortcuts), unless invited. When in the Warm up zone (green buoy line), the buoy line can be crossed West to East at any point. Boats crossing must give way. The Southerly Green buoy must be rounded at all times to enter the Marshalling Area. Practise starts / Pieces **ARE** allowed in this area.

**Marshalling Zone** - The area from the Start Tower to the Weed wire, there are to be **NO** Practise starts / Pieces in this area.

**Warm Down** – Zone near finish line, (orange Buoys) no BOATS TO BE on finish line when a race is finishing as this may interfere with the judging as racing boats cross the line (especially if the same class of boat)

**Pontoons** – use the correct pontoons for entry/exit; be careful once finished a race they don't drift into pontoons. Middle pontoon may be used to alleviate congestion

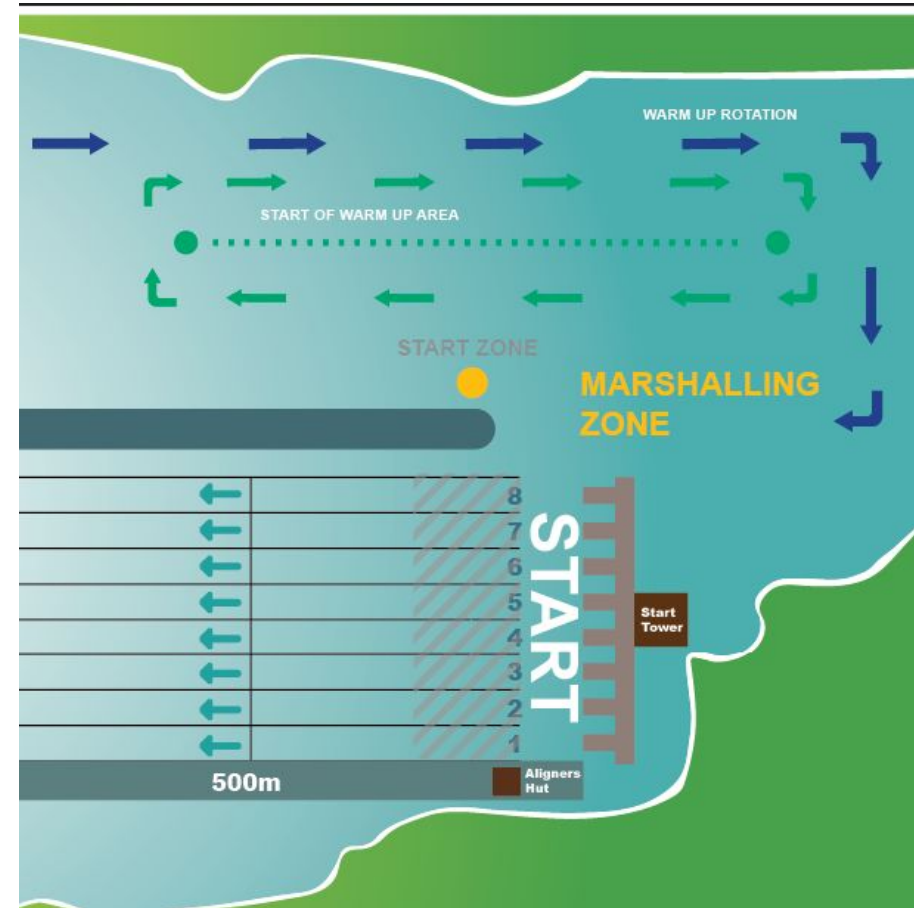
**No Entry Zone** – Area to the North of the pontoons towards Pylons.

**Emergency / Medical Pontoon** – for emergencies only. Outside Medical Room.

**Lane Zero** - Return to start - Follow western Bank. No BOATS TO BE on finish line when a race is finishing as this may interfere with the judging as racing boats cross the line

# The Start

- **Holding Area** – (orange buoy) arrive here 5 mins before start time in lane order 1 to 8. Lane 1 goes in first
- **Marshalling Zone**- The area from the Start Tower to the Weed wire, there are to be **NO** Practise starts / Pieces in this area.
- **No Entry Zone** – Not to go past the weed wire
- **In the held start (the blocks)** - Stern first into blocks, and start backing close to pontoons
- **Entering the Start:** Please spend some time explaining to your rowers how to enter the Start or make use of the time allocated **on Friday** During the regatta, it is expected that your athletes know how to enter the Start blocks
- **Procedure** - Quick Starts and Roll Call will be made as required crews are to be visible 5 mins before their race in the marshalling area behind the start and held 2 mins before the start of their first race.
- **Boat Holders** – Present





# Attaching to the start

- Each crew is responsible for being in the start blocks and ready to race two minutes before the scheduled time of the race.
  - Crews are responsible for themselves, to be straight, and ready to race.
- A crew that is not in the start blocks and ready to race two minutes before the scheduled time of may be Excluded.

# Finish Line

- The FINISH line is now 2 (TWO) lines of RED buoys, positioned a meter apart ( $\frac{1}{2}$  m each on either side of the finish line).
- The actual Finish is not demarcated and visible to crews, so please ensure crews continue rowing past the second line of buoys.

# Compliance

- **Boat Compliance** – Hatch Covers (to be in place as per rules, NO Duct tape) , Heel Restraints, Quick Release, Bow Balls, Compartments empty.
- **Communication Devices** – A reminder that communication devices (including smart watches of any type) are not to be worn OR carried in the boat.
- **Compliance Stickers** – Please remove ALL old stickers.
- **Launching Pontoon Area** – Keep this area clear of all belongings (e.g. shoes, oar carriers, loose blades). NO running on the Pontoons and please only 1 or 2 Helpers for each boat , to avoid overcrowding.
- **Medical Pontoon** – this pontoon is for medical emergency only.
- **Boat Weighing** – There will be boat weighing at this regatta. The scales will be available for test weigh-in in the Green Shed on Friday from 1300. Please respect the equipment.

# Compliance

- **Dead Weight** – to 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.
- **Crew Changes** – carry out substitutions no less than 60 minutes before the first race for the event. Do not guess who is in your crews.
- **Hot Seating** (at Start/Pontoons) – you need to notify the Chief Compliance at the gazebo by Marshal Hut, before launching.
- **Uniform** – rowers are to wear the colours of the entering entity. Schools only wear school colours if directly entered as schools.
- The **Next race display** at Compliance is not working, please ensure your crews are on the water in good time.

# Cox Weigh In

- **Cox Weighing** – will be located in the Sir Don Rowlands. Coxswains weigh in **not less than one hour and not more than two hours before their first race of the regatta.**
- Please ensure a test weigh (scales provided) is carried out before presenting .
  - Only 1 weigh required for the regatta, armbands will be issued and are required to remain on for the duration. Please remind coxswains to not remove their arm bands until the end of the regatta, or else they will need to be re-weighed
  - Yellow card if late, no show will be excluded.
  - Ensure lifejackets are appropriate and good standard.
- Racing uniform is defined as a **singlet and shorts combination** or an equivalent **one-piece garment** (row suit).

**LONG PANTS/TRACK PANTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED**

- While the cox may choose to go out on the water with warmer gear (e.g. undergarments or jacket) these items do not form part of the weighing process.
- Therefore, this includes **NOT** wearing a hat, socks or shoes or any other items during the process.
- If the regatta is running behind time, the weigh in time remains as per the programme.
- If sharing weights, please ensure you re-tie them correctly.
- Ensure Coxswains take weights with them AT ALL TIMES. Eg: Post race for weighing

**Do NOT put weights into life jackets**

# Training

- KRI has booked the lake for rowing from Friday 26th Jan: 1000-1500 ; Saturday 27th Jan 0600-1800; Sunday 28th Jan 0600-1800; Monday 29th Jan 0600-1800. During these times the Flow pattern is to be as per the diagram LAKE CLOSED TO PUBLIC. (Slide 15) Regatta Flow.
- **Training Pre-regatta** – Supervised training will be available

**Friday 26th Jan between 10:00 -1200 and 13:00-15:00.**

- Subject to having enough volunteers to supervise training. Clubs and schools may need to provide coaches or suitable drivers to assist.
- Please email the Chief Safety Officer [gpliddy@hotmail.com](mailto:gpliddy@hotmail.com) if you plan to avail yourself of this opportunity.
- Please report to the numbers hut for the issue of Boat numbers **from 0930.**
- **Training prior to racing on the day of the regatta** – Restricted training will be allowed prior to the start of the regatta, **ONLY** if you have made contact with the Chief Safety Officer and prebooked. Rowers will be responsible for their OWN safety.  
Greg Liddy [gpliddy@hotmail.com](mailto:gpliddy@hotmail.com) PH: 021 331539
- **Training During Regatta** – training will be allowed in the warm down area only. Crews are required to draw a number from the Numbers Hut **and be** briefed by the Chief Compliance. Training will be limited to 9 boats at a time.

# Ceremonial

- Winning crews will be informed of their position by the On-Water Umpire.
- Crews who qualify for a medal must row directly to the Boat Park pontoons, return their boat to the Boat Park and walk over to the Ceremonial area.
- Please help us by ensuring crews proceed directly to Ceremonial after Boats are stowed.
- The presentation will be scheduled for **30 minutes** after the start time of the race. Crews that are late will not be waited for.

KRI will make best endeavors to have a chaperone meet the eligible crew/s at the pontoons to escort them to the medal dais.

# Safety Officer Update

- **Weather:**

**FRIDAY:** WIND : Light Southerly / No cloud cover / Temp 15-23deg C

**SATURDAY:** WIND: N-NW 10-20kmh / 50-70% cloud cover as day progresses / Temp 15-22deg

**SUNDAY:** WIND: N-NW 10-20kmh (in afternoon) / Temp 17-23deg / 70-100% cloud cover / Showers from 1300-1800/

**MONDAY:** WIND : S/SW 15-25kmh / Temp 15-25deg /50%cloud cover / Passing Showers through the morning /

## **Medical:**

The Medical Team will be in the tent next to the Don Rowlands Building. The Emergency / Medical Pontoon is the pontoon in front of the medical room

- **Athletes Welfare:**

It will be WET and CHILLY, please ensure all athletes **prepared**.



# Safety Officer Update

- **Finish**

Please remind Crews **NOT** to “lie down” in the boat post finish we are very vigilant of athletes welfare post race.

- **Assistance into Boats after a capsized**

Our team will assist any crews back into boats after a capsized if they wish.

- **EVACUATION POINT**

If an incident occurs requiring an Evacuation of the Complex, it will be announced over the PA system both in the Boat Park and on the Bank. ALL attendees are to evacuate up the hill towards Camping Ground or car park areas.

# Personal/Safety

- **Evacuation point** – Camping Ground
- **Temperature** – hot/cold, be appropriately dressed
- **Athlete Welfare** – hydration/food
  - **Medical Conditions:** Please ensure medical conditions are updated in RowIT.
- **Unsportsmanlike Behaviour** – Please refrain from using bad language on the water. Please ensure ALL officials and Volunteers are treated with respect.

# Regatta Control

- **Medical assessment by on site medics:**
  - a. Cleared to continue competing; or
  - b. Medical Watch: not allowed to race until assessment is completed (can be released by onsite medic)
    - **If a watch has not been released prior to race then crew will be medically scratched and not allowed on the water**
  - c. Medical Stand Down: not allowed to race (need clearance from registered medical practitioner to remove Stand Down)
    - **Must sub competitor out of all crews (or scratch)!**

# Regatta Control

- Preliminary races: **Crews may opt out of their preliminary race but MUST advise Regatta Control** otherwise a DNS result and penalty applies.
- Scratchings and substitutions can be made on rowIT during regatta.
- Max of 50% of rowers (plus cox) can be subbed in any boat (includes medical subs).
- **Make those scratches!** Let Regatta Control know, even if less than 60 mins before race.
- If you have > 1 boat in an event, make sure to they carry the correct bow number. **Check who is entered in each crew - don't guess!**

# Reminders

# Questions?

Remember to include your Entering Entity name in the CHAT.

Please do so now as this is used for Roll Call.

This presentation will be on the KRI website for reference

- Questions: Please email [operations@karapirorowing.com](mailto:operations@karapirorowing.com)