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MAADI

REGATTA 2025

24-29 MARCH 2025 · LAKE KARĀPIRO

Safety Briefing

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WELCOME

Key people for the week

RACE COMMITTEE

- Chief Umpire – Steve Brine
 - Deputy Chief Umpire – Kim Harrison
- Chief Starter – Jack Quirk
- Chief Judge – Kim Harrison and Twan Van Duivenbooden
- Organizing Rep – Tricia Balle
- NZSSRA Rep – Jared Cummings

OTHER KEY REGATTA OFFICIALS

- Chief Compliance – Garth Bradford & Adele Marsden
- Chief Safety Officer – Greg Liddy
- Regatta Control – Andrew Carr-Smith & Tricia Balle

SAFETY OFFICER

Roll Call

Please ensure you have signed in at the door

- As the key representative and Adult 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 school.
- There are many examples in the presentation of important information, Rules of the Regatta, Regatta Control and Safety.

ENSURE ALL THIS INFORMATION IS PASSED ON

Check Clean Dry

Presentation by Janette Douglas

MPI Ambassador for the Maadi Regatta

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CHECK



CLEAN



DRY

**when you
move
between
lakes and
rivers**

✓ CHECK

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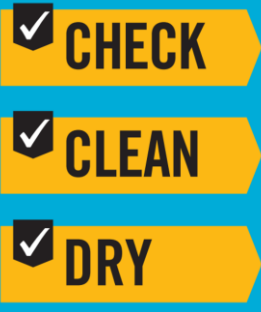
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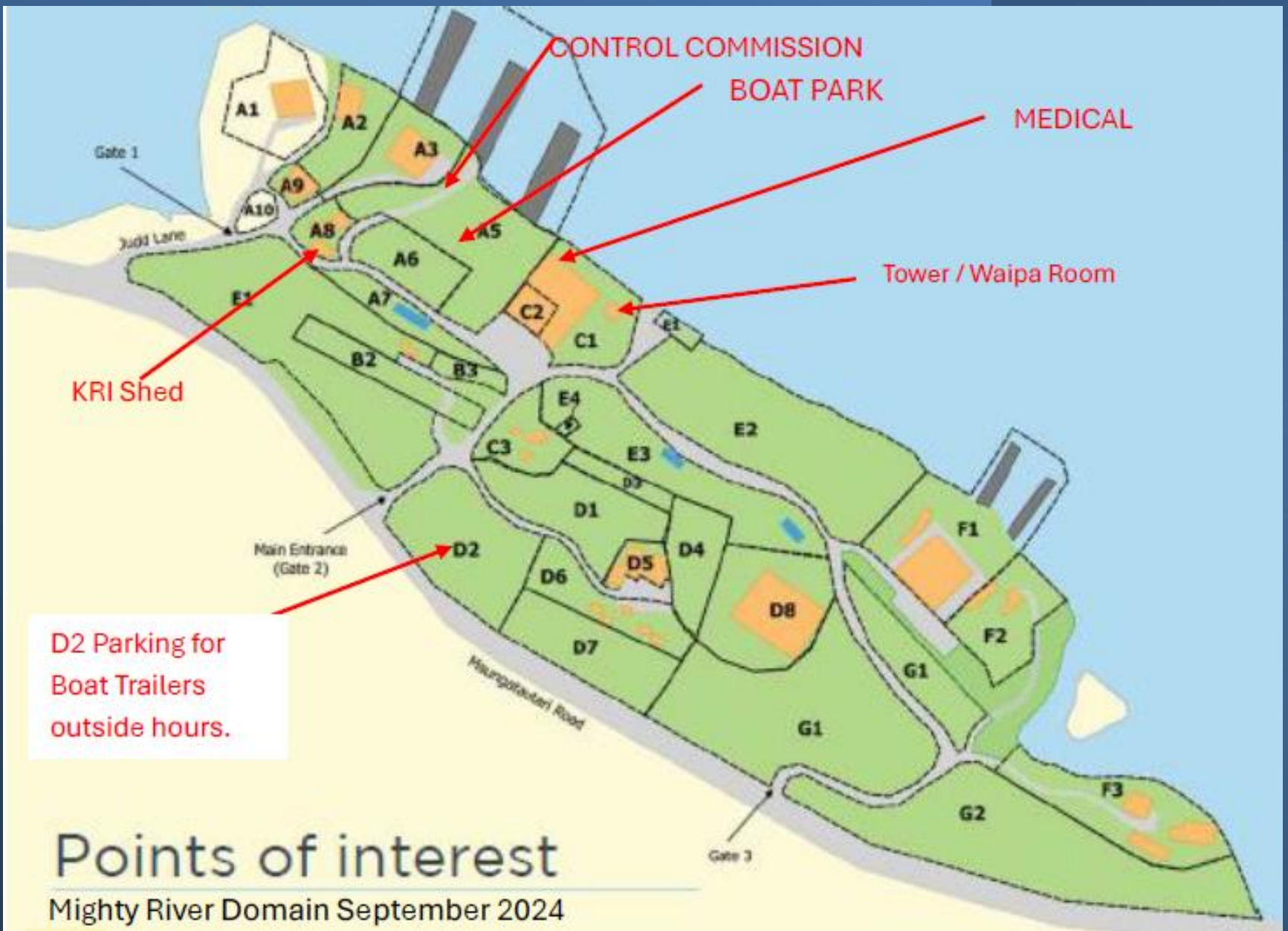
WHY DO WE NEED TO DO THIS?

- Protecting our waterways is a shared responsibility.
- Invasive Species can squeeze the life out of your waterway.
- Ultimately you could loose access.
- Your Commitment – ARRIVE CLEAN AND LEAVE CLEAN.
- **Undertaking Check, Clean, Dry** prevents the introduction and transfer of harmful aquatic pests between waterways.
- Specific to this waterway is the discovery of the invasive golden clam.
 - Located ONLY in this waterway.
 - Can only spread if humans move it between lakes and rivers with boats and gear.
 - Juvenile clams are not visible to the naked eye.
- Also, Hornwort. Located in this waterway and a few other north island locations.
Hornwort is NOT in the South Island.

MAADI REGATTA PROTOCOL

- All schools (regardless of your home waterway) are to follow the Check Clean Dry protocols prior to leaving this event.
- Includes boats, oars, **coaches** boats and any other equipment or gear that gets wet.
- CCD Ambassador will be located at wash stations in the boat park from Monday.
- Cleaned boats will be tagged after their final use.
- All trailers will be checked prior to exiting. These can be pre checked to save time.
 - Once your trailer is loaded, Text 021 745 676 with your school name and site number and an Ambassador will arrive to check and tag your trailer.
 - This must be done prior to wrapping any boats.





Points of interest

Mighty River Domain September 2024

LOCATIONS

COACHES' ROOM

- Don Rowlands Centre
- Coffee available from 10am – 3pm
- Please keep this area tidy

ATHLETE WARMUP/WARM DOWN/CHILL & STUDY AREA

- The area in the Sir Don Rowlands room facing the carpark will have ergs for warm up and cool down, a chill area, a study area with free Wi-Fi and cell phone charging stations.

PARKING

OVERFLOW PARKING

- Overflow parking (most presumably on Friday and Saturday), this is located opposite the Berry Box/Real Fruit Ice Cream Shop.
- Prepare adequately to allow time to walk to the Lake (+/- 20 minutes).
- Should you wish, you can make use of the Drop off Zone for passengers at Gate 1 (Judd Lane) before parking the vehicle.

**ABSOLUTELY NO DROP OFFS ALONG
MAUNGATAUTARI ROAD
OR GATE 2 OR 3**

VENUE

- **PHOTOGRAPHY:** The Start Pontoon and Boat park are restricted to accredited photographers (Pink Tabards) only
- **CYCLING & SCOOTERS:** No RIDING of cycles or scooters in the venue
- **DOGS:** Please no dogs on site. \$300 fine can be issued by Waipa District Council
- **ALCOHOL/SMOKE/DRUG FREE:** This regatta is a Smoke, Vape, Alcohol and Drug free event
 - Absolutely no drinking in the Spectator Tent sites.

TRAFFIC

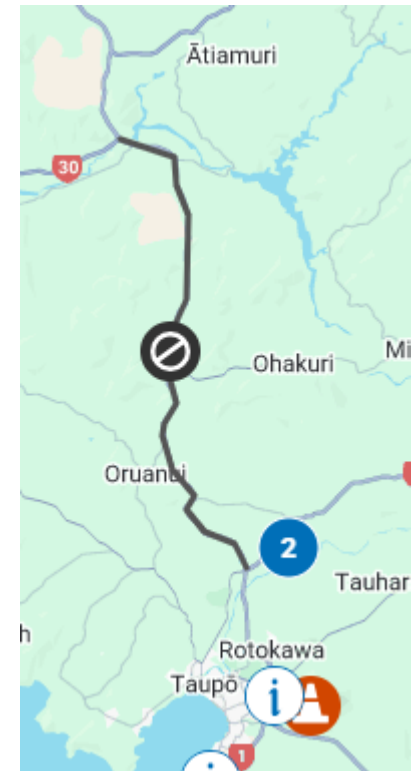
A reminder for all travelling and post Regatta

- **Putaruru to Lichfield** will be CLOSED until 28th March, when open will be under Speed restrictions and with chip.
- **Tauharau to Atiamuri** CLOSED till 3rd April.
- **Karāpiro Dam Road** CLOSED until August.
- Tamahere to Hydro Road now delayed till 31st



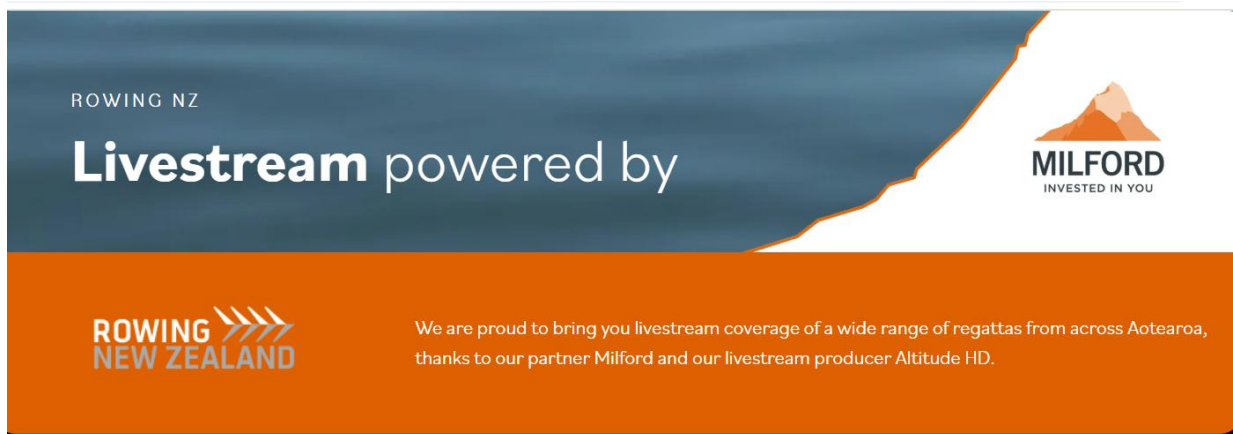
TRAVELLING HOME: suggestions

- **GOING EAST**, go via Putaruru / Arapuni / Te Awamutu.
- **GOING SOUTH**, go via Taumarunui / Te Kuiti / Te Awamutu.
- Watch for updates from NZTA on Tamhere/ Karapiro closure.
- We will update via WhatsApp when known.



LIVE STREAMING


- There will be Live streaming, from Monday – Saturday
- Live Stream will be available via Rowing Hub
- There will be an RNZ/KRI drone present. No other drones allowed.



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REGATTA CONTROL

MULTIPLE CREWS?

- **Check the crew member names.**
- Don't presume you know who's in the #1 crew vs the #2 crew.

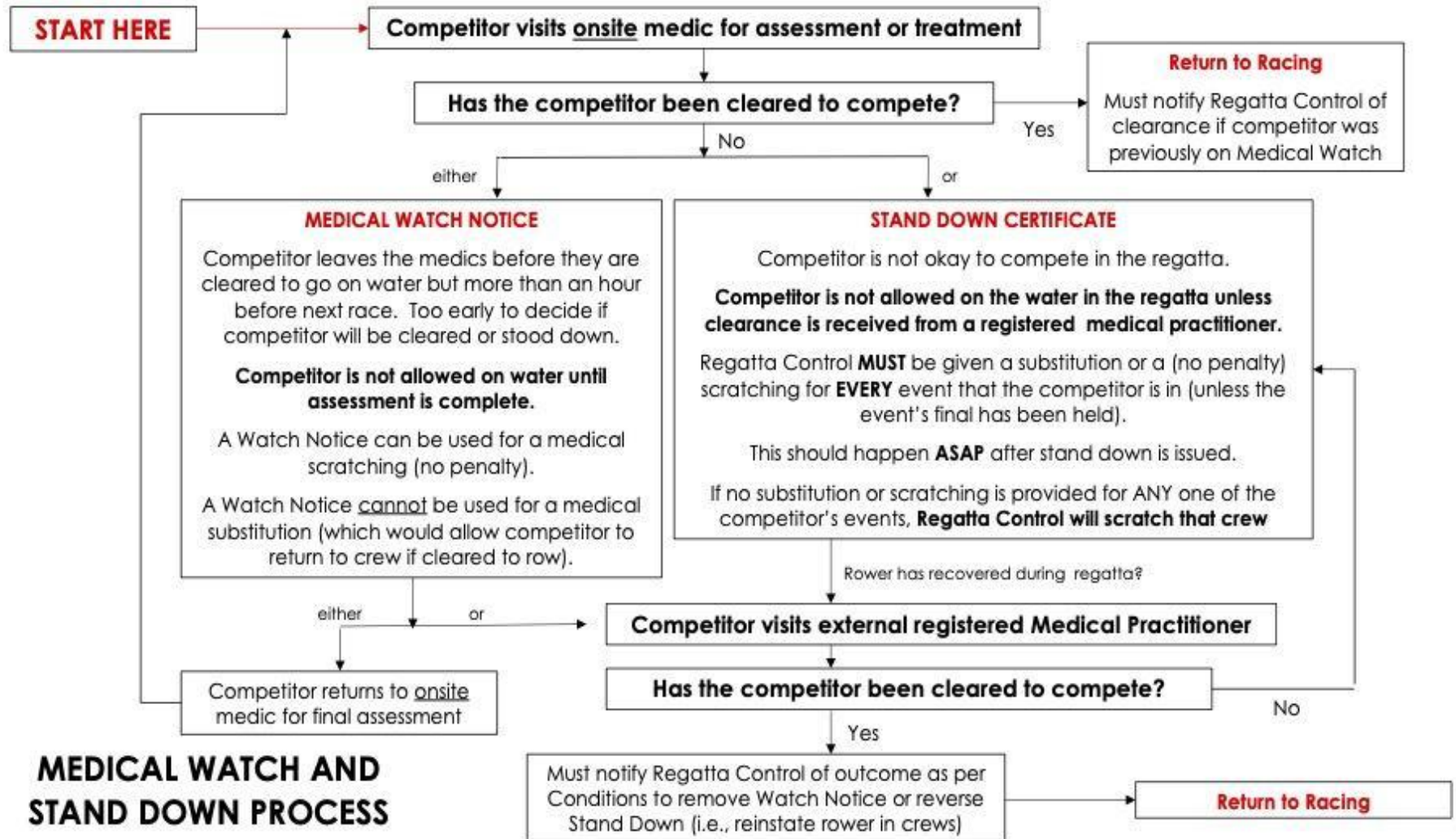
SCRATCHINGS: make these as soon as possible; especially from Finals.

- after the heats Regatta Control will be trying to promote crews and give somebody else a chance to race in place of the scratched crew
- A medical scratching is no penalty scratching (\$0)

SUBSTITUTIONS: After the heats substitutions are only allowed for:

- serious illness to a crew member substantiated by a medical certificate
- a school initiating the expulsion of a student from the regatta due to disciplinary reasons (Rule 20.3)
 - This is here to help schools discipline students. If officials expel the student they cannot be substituted.

MEDICAL WATCHES/STAND DOWNS



MEDICAL WATCH AND STAND DOWN PROCESS

CONTROL COMMISSION

- **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: 100% check!**
 - Hatch covers (to be in place as per rules, NO duct tape), heel restraints, quick release, bow balls, compartments empty
 - Random selection of boat weighing will begin on Monday morning
- Please check your own boats in the presence of our Compliance Licensed Officials.
- Boats may be checked at any time by the Officials.
- **Name checking** of crews will be carried out
- **Coxswain armbands** will also be checked
- **Electronic Equipment**
 - The Organising Committees would like to draw the attention of all entrants to Rule 4.3 of the NZSSRA Rules: "No Electronic Equipment that enables communication from a person not in the Boat is permitted."
 - Most importantly, please note that the penalty for a breach of this rule is clearly spelled out in the rule: **DISQUALIFICATION of the SCHOOL.**
 - We all wish to avoid the above scenario, so please ensure that your crews are aware of the rule and do not have in the boat or on their person ANY equipment capable of receiving communication from a source external to the boat. To avoid any possible doubt, we suggest you consider minimising the carrying of any equipment that is not strictly necessary for the crew's race.

CONTROL COMMISSION

- **LAUNCHING PONTOON AREA:** Keep this area clear of all belongings (e.g. shoes, oar carriers, loose blades). NO running on the pontoons and only one or two helpers for each boat to avoid overcrowding.
- **BOAT WIEGHING:** There will be boat weighing at this regatta in the KRI Shed. Please test-weigh boats prior to the start of the regatta.
 - Random selection of boat weighing will begin on Monday morning
- **HOT SEATING:** – at Pontoons – you must notify the Compliance Chief at the gazebo by the on-water pontoons of any hot swaps.
- **UNIFORM:** Rowers race in your school colours.

COX WEIGH-IN

- **COX WEIGHING**: is in the KRI shed (See MAP Slide 5)
- **Coxswains shall weigh in** pursuant to Rule 12.5 of the NZSSRA Rules i.e. not less than one hour and not more than two hours before their first race **on each day of competition**
 - A Yellow Card will be issued if late to weigh in.
 - A no show will result in Exclusion.
- If the regatta is running behind time, the weigh-in time remains as per the programme.
- Coxswain 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 in warmer gear (e.g. undergarments or jacket) these items do not form part of the weighing process.

Therefore, a hat, socks or shoes or any other items must NOT be worn during the process.

COX WEIGH-IN

- Once weighed in the cox will be issued a wrist band in the **colour of the day**. The coxswain needs to keep this on for the day.
- If the Cox has dead weight to carry the wristband is on their RIGHT wrist
- If the Cox has no dead weight to carry the wristband will be on their LEFT wrist.
- Ensure lifejackets are appropriate and of a good standard.

DEAD WEIGHT:

- Please ensure weights have no loose straps that can snag.
- If sharing weights, please ensure you re-tie them correctly.
- Ensure crews take their coxswain's weights with them AT ALL TIMES.
- **It must not be connected in any way to a crew member, nor should it be of such a composition that it might impede their exit from the boat.**
- To be placed in the boat as close as possible to the coxswain.
- **In a bow-coxed boat, it must not be placed in front of the coxswain.**



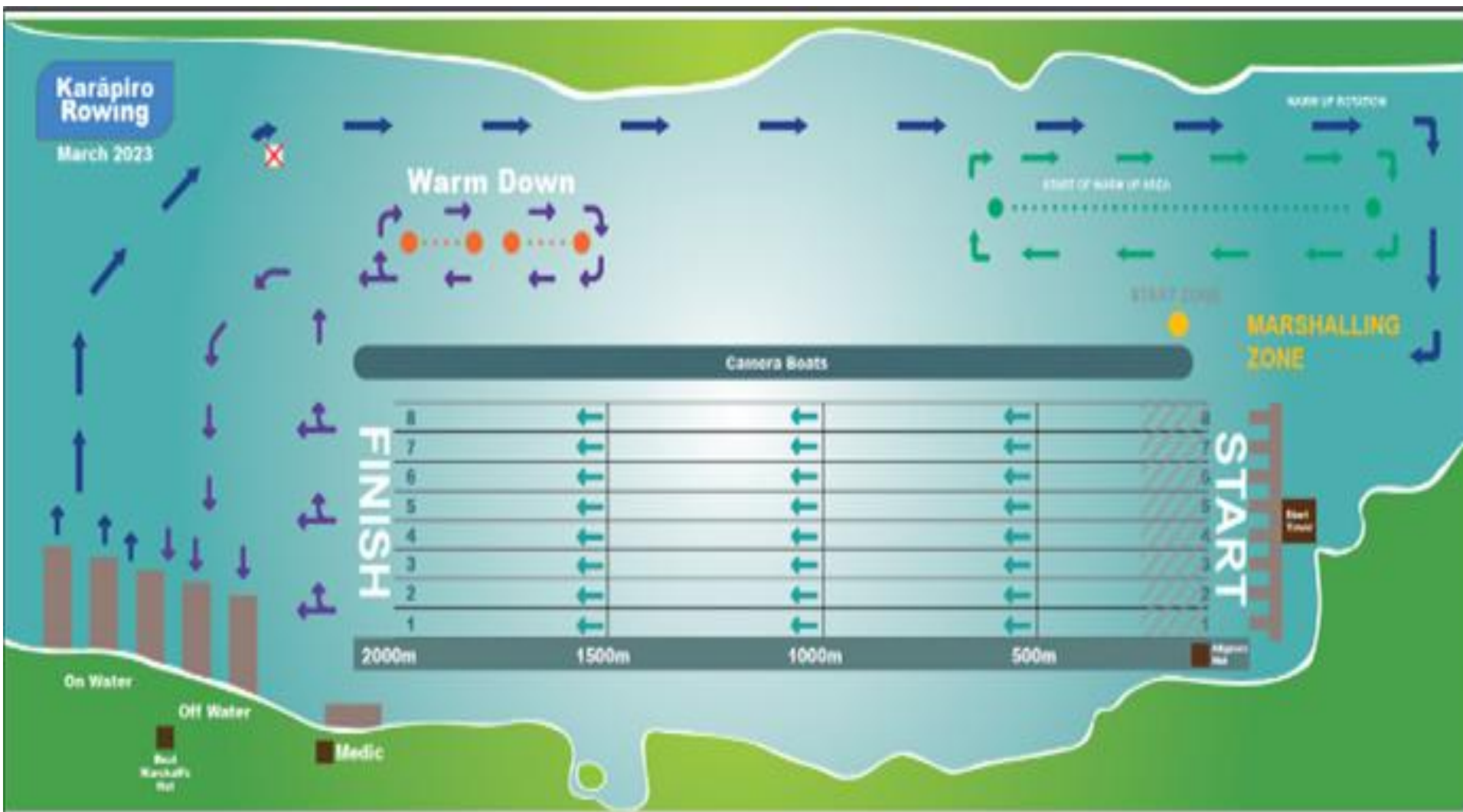
FLOW PATTERN



- **PONTOONS:** Ensure correct pontoon is used to enter or exit the water. The center pontoon will be a swing pontoon as advised by the Compliance Team
- **FLOW ROTATION:** Follow arrows as depicted on next slide
 - White buoy with a **RED** cross must be rounded. This is a NEW Buoy
 - The last **GREEN** buoy must be rounded to enter the Marshalling area
- **WARM DOWN AREA:** Will be available , CAUTION Camera Boats and crossing traffic
- **NO ENTRY ZONE:** Between Pontoons and Dam
- **SOUTHERN LIMIT:** 100m behind the Start is a buoy Line (weed wires) that **MUST NOT BE CROSSED**
- **EMERGENCY PONTOON:** Outside Medical Rooms. For emergencies only

FLOW PATTERN

LAKE **CLOSED** TO THE PUBLIC



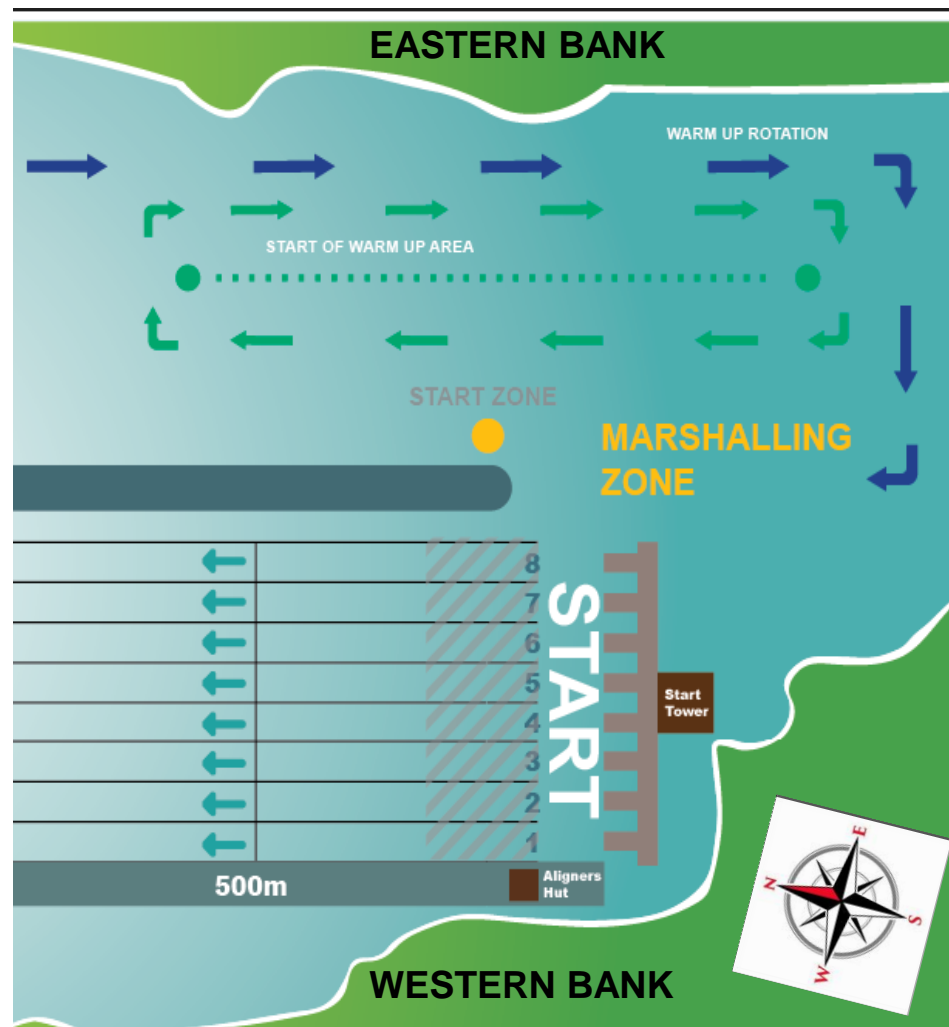
THE START

WARM UP AREA GREEN BUOY LINE:

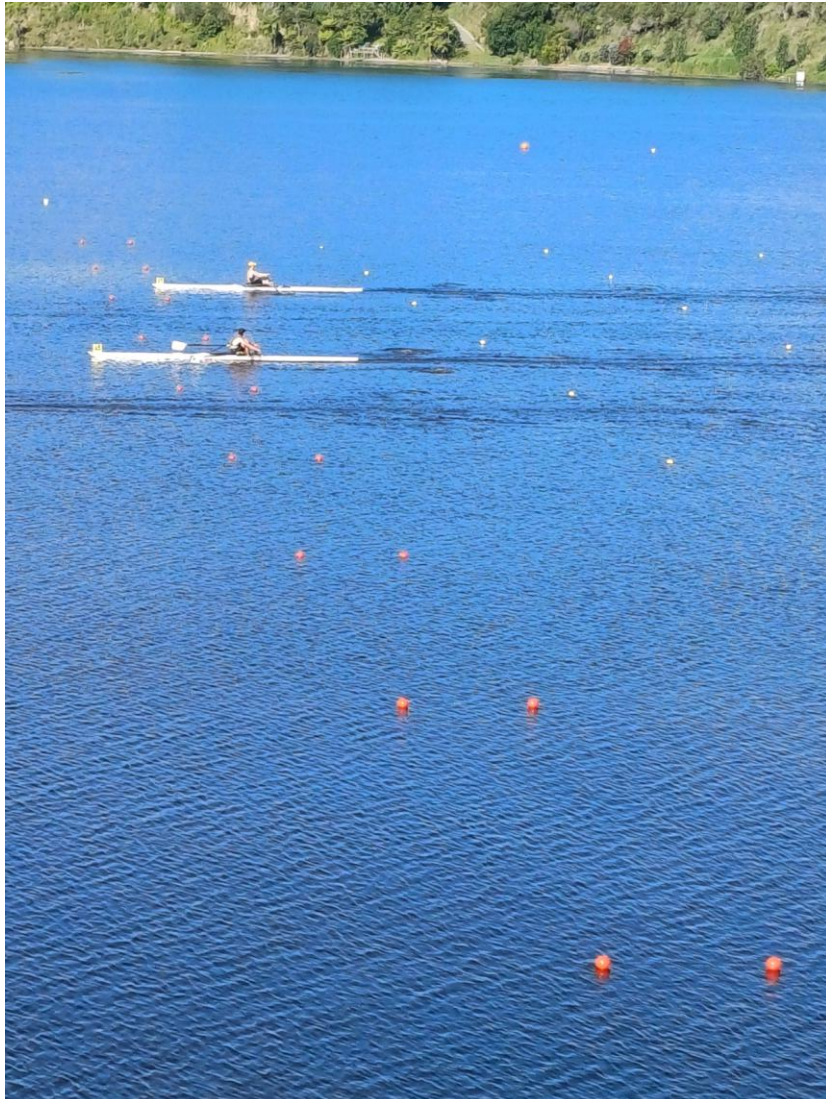
May be crossed West to East anywhere.

Never crossed East to West, Southern Buoy **MUST** be rounded.

- **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:** Do not go past the buoy line 100m to the south of the Start
- **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. It is expected that your students know how to enter the start blocks during the regatta, crews unable to access the start run the risk of a Lane 0 row home.
- **Please note: the Start area is a QUIET ZONE**
- **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 race. If not held at 2 mins, a Yellow card may be issued
- **Boat Holders:** Will be present
- A video on the KRI website under "Coaching Resources" explains more about the Start process



FINISH LINE



- The FINISH is TWO lines of RED buoys, positioned two meters apart (1m each on either side of the finish line).
- The actual Finish line is not demarcated or visible to crews
- Please ensure crews continue rowing past the second line of finish buoys.

CEREMONIAL

- You will be informed of placings on arrival at the return pontoons
- Crews who qualify for a medal must return their boat to the Boat Park and walk over to the Ceremonial area immediately unless selected for check weighing, in which case the crew must stay with the boat
- The presentation will take place as soon as possible after the race
- KRI will endeavour to provide a chaperone to meet the eligible crew/s at the pontoons to escort them to the medal dais. Crews that are dawdling will not be waited for.

SAFETY OFFICER UPDATE

- **WEATHER**

MONDAY: Light and Variable winds SW 5-10kph in afternoon : 15-22deg.

TUESDAY: Northerly 5-10kph: 15-22deg

WEDNESDAY: Northerly 5-10kph;

LONG TERM: Will be updated midweek Looks good for Finals.

- **MEDICAL:**

The Medical Team will be in the First Aid room **(see Flow Rotation Map)**

- **MEDICAL OVERSIGHT FROM SAFETY:**

Oversight extends from On water to Off water.

If a crew misses a race, Safety will not contact Coach / Adult Safety Officer

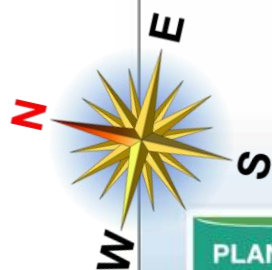
If there is a Medical Event on the water, Safety will do its utmost to contact Coach / Adult Safety Officer and advise.

ANY QUESTIONS / QUERIES PLEASE RING SAFETY OFFICER

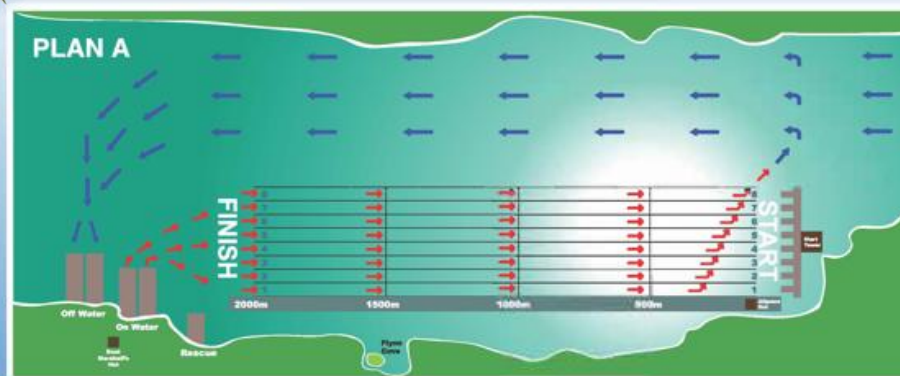
TRAINING

- **TRAINING DURING RACING HOURS:** Training is allowed in the Warmup lane at the start. A bow training number will be required to be on the Lake. No Practice starts or pieces. Contact the Chief Control Commission.
- **TRAINING AFTER RACING:** We will assess if we can provide training after racing finishes on a daily basis, you will be advised via the WhatsApp group.
- **TRAINING AFTER 6:00pm:** There will be NO opportunity to utilize the Lake after 6.00pm on any day.
- The NZSSRA Safety System makes the provision of this restrictive.

FLOW PATTERN LAKE OPEN TO THE 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

- **FINISH**

Please remind crews **NOT** to lie down in the boat post finish. We are very vigilant of crew member welfare post-race.

- **ASSISTANCE IN EVENT OF CAPSIZE**

Our Safety Team will first ensure the welfare of a capsized crew and will then clear the course.

Safety will advise crews that if assistance is given to return crews to the boat, they may be unable to complete the race. (NZSSRA Rule 19.2)

- **EVACUATION POINT**

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

ALL attendees are to evacuate up the hill toward the camping ground or car park areas.

PERSONAL/SAFETY

- **TEMPERATURE:** Hot, be appropriately dressed
- **STUDENT WELFARE:** Hydration/food
- **MEDICAL CONDITIONS:** Please ensure competitor medical conditions are updated accurately in rowIT.
 - If a rower requires an electronic device for Medical reasons please advise the Chief Safety Officer.
- **EPI-PENS:** If required, please ensure they are carried by students.
- **UNSPORTSMANLIKE BEHAVIOUR:** Please refrain from using bad language on the water and ensure that ALL officials and volunteers are treated with respect.

REMINDERS

- Compliant bow balls / heel restraints / hatch covers
- Traffic flow rotation
- Limited race calling , ensure you are on time and allow sufficient time
- ALL boats and equipment must be washed down on departure.
- Coaches ANY ISSUES please talk to us early rather than later!
- **TROPHIES**
Please return ALL Maadi Trophies to the KRI regatta office as soon as possible.
- There were many examples in the presentation of important information, Traffic, Parking, Rubbish , Rules of the Regatta, Regatta Control and Safety.

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MAADI

- We are still in need of boat holders on the following dates

Thursday 27th March

If you have students that are able to help, please let them register their names at the Regatta Office.

QUESTIONS

Contact Details:

OPERATIONS: Carol

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Phone: 027 506 6544

CHIEF SAFETY OFFICER: Greg

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Phone: 027 336 0873

BOAT PARK MANAGER: David

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Phone: 021 810 182



This presentation will be on the KRI website after the meeting.