



2016 AUSTRALIAN
MASTERS
ROWING CHAMPIONSHIPS
LAKE KAWANA • SUNSHINE COAST

Bulletin 3 – May 2016

Important Dates

- Final entry payments must be received by 11:59pm AEST Wednesday 25th May 2016. Any entry that has not been paid by this time will be removed from the draw, though this does not remove financial liability of the entry.
- Regatta dates: Thursday 2nd June – Sunday 5th June

Entries

Entries have now closed for the Australian Masters Rowing Championships. The cost of entry is \$45 per seat (including GST, credit card transaction fees may apply), with no entry cost for coxswains. For transparency to the masters rowing community Rowing Australia has prepared a document showing the cost drivers for the Australian Masters Rowing Championships which is available on the Rowing Australia website (<http://www.rowingaustralia.com.au/about-rowing-australia/masters-commission>).

Team Tents

Clubs wishing to erect a team tent along the eastern bank of the course must make a site application through the 2016 Australian Masters Rowing Championships website: <https://form.jotform.com/60558542765969>. Tent sites will be marked out and available on a first come/first serve basis.

Course Opening Hours and Training Times

The course will open for rowing for the following hours:

- Wednesday 1st June: 9:00am-3:30pm (training)
- Thursday 2nd – Sunday 5th June: 7:00am – 5:30pm (racing)

The training traffic flow on Wednesday will be the same as shown in the warmup area in the appendix, applied to the racing course up until the starting pontoons on Wednesday. No training will be allowed on the course or warm up area outside of these times and during the lunch breaks, and only boats with a valid bow number will be allowed on the water during competition times.

Competition Information

All State Team Managers are requested to confirm the names and seating order of their crews for the Interstate Regatta at the Regatta Administration no later than 12:00pm on Saturday 4th June.

The regatta progression system to be used is as follows:

1 – 7 Entries – Final

8 – 14 Entries – 2 Heats; 1st, 2nd, 3rd progress to Final

15 – 21 Entries – 3 Heats; 1st, 2nd progress to Final

22 – 28 Entries – 4 Heats; 1st, 2nd, 3rd progress to Semi Final; 2 Semi Finals; 1st, 2nd, 3rd progress to Final

29 – 42 Entries – 6 Heats; 1st, 2nd, 3rd progress to Semi Final; 3 Semi Finals; 1st, 2nd progress to Final

43 –63 Entries – 9 Heats; 1st, 2nd progress to Semi Final; 3 Semi Finals; 1st, 2nd progress to Final

Medals

Medals will be awarded according to the number of entries in each event. If there are four or more entries, Gold, Silver and Bronze medals are awarded. If there are three entries, Gold and Silver medals are awarded, and if there are one or two entries, just Gold will be awarded. The Fastest Single Club Medal will also be awarded to the highest placing single club crew in each event. Medals will be presented for the mornings finals during the lunch break, and for the afternoon’s finals first thing in the evening at the end of racing. Medal Presentations will be held in the Sunshine Coast Stadium across the road from the course.

Champion Club Pointscore

A Champion Club Pointscore will be in operation in addition to the medal tally at the Australian Masters Rowing Championships for the first time. The pointscore will be based on results in all boat categories asides from the Champion of Champion Single Sculls, including mixed. Points will be awarded on the following basis:

Boat	First	Second	Third
Eight (8+)	24	18	12
Fours (4-/+)/Quad (4x)	16	12	8
Pairs (2-)/Doubles (2x)	12	9	6
Singles (1x)	8	6	4

Orphan Rowers

An Orphan Rower Notice Board is now available on the 2016 Australian Masters Rowing Championships website: <http://www.rowingqld.asn.au/#!orphan-rowers-noticeboard/mka7i>. This is a free-to-use service that allows “orphan” rowers and crews to contact each other and organise further entries in the regatta.

Athlete Briefing

An athlete and coaches briefing will be held at the regatta venue on Wednesday, 1st June at 3pm in the Sunshine Coast Stadium. The briefing will provide an overview of the traffic rules for training and racing and other location specific information. There will also be an opportunity to ask questions of event officials. Coaches, athletes and team managers are strongly recommended to attend.

On-Water Traffic Rules

On-water traffic rules and maps for training and competition are attached as appendices to this Bulletin. In addition, traffic maps will be available at various locations around the course, particularly in the Boat Park. Failure to follow the traffic rules may result in a yellow card infringement. On training days, please follow the prescribed traffic rotation, and take all possible care when transiting past the 1000 metre start pontoons. On race days, please be aware that you are required to row up towards the 2000 metre start and will be marshalled onto the course as required. Follow all instructions issued by on-water marshalls.

Bicycle Use

Coaches and spectators are allowed to use bicycles to follow athletes on the far / western side of the course during training and competition. Helmets must be worn at all times. Bicycles are not permitted on the eastern side of the course. Please consider other users of the roadway, and pay attention to your surroundings.

Car Parking

Car parking is available at the venue free of charge. The car park is located on the oval across the road from the course, a short walk to both the boat park and the club tents.

Trailers and Boat Storage

Boat racking will be provided for storage of boats during the regatta. Please let us accommodate your trailer arrival by letting us know when you will be arriving via this form here on our website

<https://form.jotform.com/60558747144967> . The information provided on the form will better assist the organising committee in allocating parking space for clubs and volunteer management. No trailer parking or boat storage will be available until after 1:00pm Tuesday 29 May 2016.

Trailer Arrivals

Boat trailers should arrive via Sportsmans Pde, and then enter the boat park off Sportsmans Pde. Trailers will then unload on to boat racks, then exit on to Main Dr, heading west, head around the lake, across the bridge and down Nicklin Way, heading to the back of the stadium for parking. See map in appendices for details.

Social Events

There will be a 'Rower's Marquee' lakeside at the course serving beverages on Saturday and Sunday. This marquee will be the place to be to unwind after your races and catch up with old rowing friends. Stay tuned for more details to come.

Accommodation

There are several deals on offer with some accommodation providers up on the Sunshine Coast. At Sandcastles Mooloolaba, only 13 minutes' drive from the course, there is a deluxe one bedroom apartment available for three nights for only \$690, including a breakfast for two at the Mooloolaba Surf Club. Just quote Rowing Queensland when you book either directly with them or via their website www.sandcastlesmooloolaba.com.au. Further offers and details to come.

Smartphone App

RegattaCentral will be providing an Android and iOS app, free of charge, that will allow you to obtain live regatta results directly on your smartphone. App store links will be provided once it is available to download.

Further Information

For further information about the 2016 Australian Masters Rowing Championship please contact the Event Director Peter Hicks: Email – peterh@rowingqld.asn.au , Tel – 07 3842 1200, or visit the event website - <http://www.rowingqld.asn.au/#!amrc16/cdy8>. All crew substitutions and withdrawals should be emailed to AMRC.Entries@rowingaustralia.com.au.

Appendices

Appendix 1: *Venue Maps and Traffic Flow*

Appendix 2: *Boat Park Map*

Appendix 3: *Trailer Parking Map*