REGATTA NOTICE

2021 All Ages GSRF Regatta 30th October 2021

Dear Participating Clubs

This regatta notice serves as an invitation to all school and junior rowing clubs in Gauteng to participate in the local regatta as detailed in the notice below:

1. Venue:

Victoria Lake Club, Germiston

2. Date:

Saturday 30th October 2021

The rowing course will be closed for training 30 minutes before the start of the regatta

3. Events:

The Regatta will be run as a Regatta under the RowSA Rules of Racing. Events will be offered in full for Junior (JM14,JM15,JW14,JW15) and in a limited format for Senior (JM16, JM19, JW16, JW19). The GSRF executive reserves the right to limit entries into events, and/or exclude events that do not carry enough entries.

See respective documents following this regatta notice:

Addendum A: <u>Racing Schedule</u>
Addendum B: <u>Regatta Traffic Rules</u>

3. Addendum C: <u>GSRF Covid Safety Procedures</u>

4. Spectators.

Adjusted Level 2 restrictions, under the recently published Government Gazette, allow for spectators at school events under specific restrictions. Further details regarding spectators at this event will be circulated once details are in place.

5. Course:

- **5.1** The course consists of 6 partially buoyed lanes. Crews are to row to the start between the on the Northern bank, keeping between the pumphouse and the bank. Crews disqualified from races or who cannot compete in a race must make their way back to the launch area by rowing down on the far side of the course, and crossing beyond the finish line.
- **5.2** The holding area for crews is positioned between the start line and the bank. It is the responsibility of the crews to remain within hearing distance of the aligner to make sure that they hear when their race is being called.

6. Entries

- **6.1** Entries close at **17h00** on **Monday 25th October 2021**. All draws will be made available on **www.regatta.co.za**
- **6.2** Entries are to be made via the website: www.regatta.co.za
- **6.3** Late entries will be allocated to empty lanes in existing events in the order in which they are received. If no empty lanes are available, entries will not be accepted.
- **6.4** No composite crews may be entered unless approved by the GSRF Executive.
- **6.5** Crews must be entered in ranking order.
- **6.6** Entries into the u16 & u19 1x & 2- must be limited to replicate Gauteng Schools Entries as close as possible. Schools will be limited to 4 entries into senior 1x events.
- **6.7** The entering of your club serves as an acceptance of indemnity for this regatta, namely that you declare that you accept the rules of entry and that you shall participate at your own risk and indemnifies the Regatta Organisers, Sponsors and Officials.

7. Order of Events and Time Gaps

The organisers reserve the right to alter the order of events if necessary and only in consultation with school representatives. Attention is drawn to the intervals between races as set out in the Final Draw. Crew entries and boat allocations should be planned around these times. The organisers will not be able to delay the published start times of any races in order to accommodate crews or boats. The Rules of Racing can be found in **Addendum A**.

8. Catering

Catering will be provided by VLC Club. No outside catering will be permitted.

9. Prize Giving

As per the COVID safety protocols and procedures (*Addendum C*) there will be no prize giving after the regatta.

10. Weather interruptions

In the event of unfavourable weather the President of the Jury shall make all decisions with regard to safety and whether racing should proceed as per the events schedule. If the regatta is delayed, event times shall be rescheduled to include earlier and/or later times of racing on the remaining day/s of the regatta in order to complete all events. If it is not possible to complete all events, the President of the Jury shall liaise with the GSRF Executive and representatives from member schools with a view to reducing the number of events. If it is not possible to complete the regatta, the GSRF Executive shall decide to declare the regatta "cancelled" or "complete".

Yours faithfully

GSRF Executive.