

REGATTA NOTICE
2021 GAUTENG ROWING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Dear Participating Schools and 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:

Racing will take place over three days:

Friday the 5th, November 2021

Saturday 6th, November 2021

Sunday, 7th November 2021

The rowing course will be closed 30 minutes for training before the start of the regatta on all three days.

3. Events:

The Regatta will be run in terms of the relevant rules and laws as published in the ROWSA rules of racing, and in terms of the conditions contained in this notice.

See respective documents following this regatta notice:

1. Addendum A: [*Racing Schedule*](#)
2. Addendum B: [*Event Point Allocation*](#)
3. Addendum C: [*Progression Table*](#)
4. Addendum D: [*Regatta Traffic Rules*](#)

4. Entry Fees:

Spectator gate entry fee will be R30.00.

Competing Scholars/Coaches/Sports Staff is Free

5. Course:

5.1 The course consists of 8 fully buoyed straight lanes. Crews are to row to the start between the clubhouse bank and the buoys. Crews disqualified from races or who cannot compete in a race must make their way back to the clubhouse between lane 8 and the far side of the bank.

5.2 The holding area for crews is positioned between the start line and the North 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.

5.3 Head Races will be raced in lanes two and three. Slower boats must move into lanes one and four respectively. The holding area for boats applies as above (5.2). Boats will be called in numerical order to the start, and will be started at approximately 15-second intervals.

6. Entries

6.1 Entries close at **17h00** on **Thursday, 28th of October 2021**. Late entries may be accepted provided there are available lanes following the Draft Draw.

- The draw will take place on **Friday, 29th October 2021**
- The **Draft Draw** will be published on **Saturday, 30th October 2021**
- The **Final Draw** will be published by **Tuesday, 2nd November 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.

6.5 Restrictions on entries are as follows:

6.5.1 Only FOUR scull entries per school per u14,u15 & u16 Sculling event. FIVE for u19.

6.5.2 The double and the octuple/eight are incompatible events in all age groups.

6.6 Crews must be entered in ranking order.

6.7 Schools from outside of Gauteng may enter, but will not be eligible for points earned in any events. Additional medals will be made available for Gauteng based schools displaced by coastal schools. Points will be allocated in order of Gauteng based schools finishing in the top 8 of any event.

6.8 Please take note that the regatta will be following the progressions as indicated in **Addendum C**.

6.9 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 racing schedule can be found in **Addendum A**.

8. Catering

Catering on site will be provided by VLC Club.

9. Prize Giving

Please note that prize giving will take place 30 minutes after the last race has completed. Medals for all events excluding "First Team" events will be presented during the course of each day.

10. Weather interruptions

In the event of unfavourable weather the President of the Jury, in liaison with the GSRF Executive, 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". If the regatta is declared "complete", points already accrued shall be deemed to be the final tally for the purpose of awarding medals, trophies etc.

11. VIP Lunch

Details regarding the VIP lunch will be circulated once finalised.

Yours faithfully

GSRF Exec.