



2008 Australian Rowing Championships  
and Interstate Regatta  
Sydney International Regatta Centre  
3<sup>rd</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> March, 2008

## SPECIAL BULLETIN

### SUMMARY OF EVENTS ORDER OF FINALS

Attached is a Summary of Events for the 2008 Australian Rowing Championships and Interstate Regatta sorted into an Order of Finals, listed by indicative race number for the A Final according to the schedules provided by Rowing Australia and available on the Rowing Australia and NSWRA websites

#### **WE DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO –**

The finals are not necessarily in Event Number order.

Elimination rounds will not necessarily be conducted on consecutive days.

The number of elimination rounds, i.e. heats, repechages and semi-finals may be adjusted once the entry numbers are known. We will make every effort to bring you this information at the earliest possible time but we are reliant upon Rowing Australia making the final race list available to us – we expect this during the week commencing Monday, 25 February, 2008.

#### **IMPORTANT – PLEASE NOTE**

Heats for Event 15, Women's Under 17 Single Scull  
Event 16, Women's Under 19 Single Scull  
Event 25 Men's, Under 17 Single Scull, and  
Event 26, Men's Under 19 Single Scull  
**WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, 3<sup>RD</sup> MARCH**  
not Tuesday as in previous years

## **ROMS WILL BE OPEN TO RECEIVE ENTRIES ON TUESDAY, 29 JANUARY, 2008**

Please refer to the information following regarding eligibility

**ENTRIES CLOSE AT 5.00 PM EDST, MONDAY, 18 FEBRUARY, 2008**

**IMPORTANT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, BULLETINS AND FORMS  
may be downloaded from**

[www.rowingsw.asn.au/nationals2008](http://www.rowingsw.asn.au/nationals2008)

## **ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE**

Entry into the 2008 Australian Rowing Championships and Interstate Regatta is open to all competitors who are authorised to compete by their affiliated Member Association and who are eligible under the RA Rules.,

- A **School** competitor is one who qualified as Under 21 (Youth) under the provisions of the RA rules; and is attending a secondary school as a full time day student..
- A rower or coxswain shall be classified as an **Under 17** rower until 31 December of the year in which the rower reaches the age of 16.
- A rower or coxswain shall be classified as an **Under 19** rower until 31 December of the year in which the rower reaches the age of 18.
- A rower or coxswain shall be classified as an **Under 21 (Youth)** rower until 31 December of the year in which the rower reaches the age of 20.
- A rower or coxswain shall be classified as an **Under 23** rower until 31 December of the year in which the rower reaches the age of 22.
- All competitors are eligible to compete in the Open category.

**Lightweights** Lightweights shall be classified as follows:

The average weight of a men's crew (excluding coxswain) shall not exceed 70 kg. No individual oarsman shall weigh more than 72.5 kg. A single sculler (male) shall not weigh more than 72.5 kg.

The average weight of a women's crew (excluding coxswain) shall not exceed 57 kg. No individual oarswoman shall weigh more than 59 kg. A single sculler (female) shall not weigh more than 59 kg.

Lightweight rowers shall be weighed wearing at least their racing shorts and shorts or equivalent not less than one hour and not more than two hours before the starting time appearing in the program for their first race in which they are competing on each day of the competition. If a rower has races in other events on a day of racing, the weight recorded for the first event may be applied to qualify for subsequent events.

Rowers may re-weigh for other events after their weigh-in for their first event on a day of racing, within the time limits applicable to that event. This weight may also be carried forward for any other races in which the rower competes on that day of racing.,

Please refer to RA Rule 24 for further information regarding lightweight rowers.

## **Adaptive**

An Adaptive rower is a rower with a disability who meets the criteria set out in the RA Adaptive Rowing classification By Laws.

Classification of athletes will be conducted on the day prior to the first adaptive event for all athletes and will be undertaken in the Seminar Room, upper level of Boatshed 5. A schedule of classification times and contact details to book an appointment to be classified will be provided in Bulletin 3.

### **Coxswains**

Age categories shall apply to coxswains, except in Under 23 events. The minimum weight for a coxswain (wearing racing uniform) is 55 kg for men's Open, Under 23, Under 21 (Youth) and Under 19 men's crews and 50 kg for women's Open, Under 23, Under 21 (Youth), Under 19 women's crews, Schoolboy, Schoolgirl, Under 17 men and women and adaptive crews.

Coxswains shall be weighed wearing racing uniform not less than one hour and not more than twenty four hours before their first race at the regatta. A coxswain who has weighed in for their first day of competition is not required to weigh in for the second day if he/she weighed in at the required weight.

Please refer to RA Rule 16 and 17 for further information regarding coxswains.

### **Composite Crews**

School events are restricted to crews consisting of representatives from one school only. (RA Rule 12.5)

Clubs may, with the approval of the Member Association with which they are affiliated, enter composite crews in this regatta. (RA Rule 44.3)

Any entry that includes competitors from two or more Member Associations must be signed or approved by each Member Association with which the competitors therein are affiliated. (RA Rule 45, By Law 2.4)

### **State of Origin**

Athletes wishing to compete in the 2008 Interstate Regatta must meet the State or Territory of Origin rules as outlined in rule 6.3 of the Rowing Australia rules. Those athletes wishing to race for their State of Domicile which differs from the State of Origin should have submitted their written application to Rowing Australia by the 30<sup>th</sup> of November 2007 providing evidence that they have met the criteria as outlined in rule 6.3.2.2.

**ENTRIES CLOSE**  
**at 5.00 pm EDST on Monday, 18 February, 2008**

**ALL ENTRY ENQUIRIES SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO**  
**ROWING AUSTRALIA**

Contact – Alice Evans, Rowing Victoria  
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Entry fee is \$45.00 including GST, per seat - there is no fee payable for coxswains. No entry deposit will be charged for this regatta however we draw attention to Rowing Australia rule 49.6 regarding late scratchings and withdrawals.

**NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED**

### **REGATTA CORRESPONDENCE and ENQUIRIES**

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