

Melbourne Amateur Regatta Association Inc.

(Australian Henley)

INFORMATION REGARDING AUSTRALIAN HENLEY REGATTA, YARRA RIVER,

SATURDAY 25TH FEBRUARY 2017.

There is to be a Coaches and Competitors briefing at Banks Rowing Club at 6.45am to 7am on Saturday 25th February (the morning of the regatta). Please send a representative, who will be provided with bow numbers for the Time Trials at the conclusion of the briefing.

We expect that Time Trials for all Schools events will commence from 8.00am on Saturday. The Time Trials for Male C4X+ will be held in the afternoon session of racing. **Crews in time trials to row to the start in their sequential number. Do NOT be late.** Crews are requested to get to the marshalling area in plenty of time as the Time Trials will be run in pre-set order. The four fastest crews advance to semi-finals. All other crews will race against a crew of similar speed later in the program.

Racing is expected to commence at 8.30 am, after the finish of the School Time Trials. The last race will be around 4.30 pm.

Entry Fees. The entry fees for the Grand Challenge Cup (MO8+), Ladies Challenge Cup (FO8+), Silver Sculls (M1x) and Yarra Challenge Cup (F1x) is \$32:00/seat, with "Henley Pots" awarded. Club events is \$22:00/seat and Schools events is \$12:00 seat. Winners receive a Henley medallion..

Boat Launching. **Launch facing Princes Bridge and turn to bowside around the large orange buoy opposite Mercantile Rowing Club and row up North Station to start.** Please have your boats in/out of the water quickly to ensure that the Regatta runs on time.

Road closure. Boathouse Drive will be **closed to all traffic** except designated vehicles including boat trailers. Trailer parking will be in designated areas (roadside west of Richmond Rowing Club)

Boat rigging, etc. **Only on Peppercorn Lawn abutting Princes Bridge. Nowhere else. Bring trestles.**

Bow numbers including time trials. Outside Banks Rowing Club. From 6.45 am Saturday. **\$10.00 deposit, no change given.**

Tents on Henley Landing only, nowhere else. Schools/Clubs must book through Peter McKeon 0417 566 686 no later than Thursday 16th. One vehicle only, in/out, which must leave after unloading. The tent must be stabilised at each corner with substantial weights or water containers. No tent pegs. Bring your flags, bunting, etc.

Trophy Presentation. This will be done, progressively **during** the day, next to the Official Marquee on the Henley Landing. Winning crews return to the sheds, stow the boat quickly then proceed straight to the Marquee. **Do not get changed,** the timetable is too tight. Roger Wilson OAM is calling races.

Car Parking. This is always difficult. Anywhere around the Tan, Linlithgow Ave., etc. fills quickly. Consider the car park at Southbank, the National Gallery, Federation Sq. off Flinders St, car parks on the north side of Flinders St. east west of Swanston St., or the Tennis Centre, Swan St. A short walk.

Catering. Rotary will be selling sausages, soft drinks etc. near MUBC.

Race programs. Available from Bow Numbers desk and the Committee Marquee. A bargain / donation at \$3:00 given the information therein. A great memento.

Please ensure your crew members do not litter, the whole area must be tidy by 5.00 pm.

Have fun !!

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