

2017 Elizabeth Quay Sprint Regatta

Elizabeth Quay, Perth, Western Australia

Saturday 2nd September 2017

11:00am – 3:00pm

Bulletin 1

Event Entry Information

Organised by



Type of Regatta	Head to Head Sprint Regatta for 8+ only Crews will participate in 2-3 races each depending on their results
Why get involved	The RWA Elizabeth Quay (EQ) sprint regatta offers a unique regatta opportunity for rowers and rowing spectators alike, as well as exposing the general public to the great sport of rowing. The 192m sprint course offers competitors a head to head racing experience in one of the most highly visible public aquatic arenas in Perth. The sprint style event caters for current club, school, corporate or ex-rowers wanting to enjoy a fun and social experience. Unlike any other rowing venue in the country, spectators can stand within metres of the start line or watch the finish from the bridge above. From any location around the EQ spectators will be able to enjoy every stroke. Quality commentary and music will add to the exciting racing atmosphere.
Eligibility & Entry Fees	Current RWA members and non-members are eligible for entry into this regatta. Due to having only very short intervals between races and the possibility of event program changes, rowers are only able to compete in one crew. Each Club/School will have entry preference for their first crew over any other club/school's second crew in the relevant event category Members of a Rowing WA affiliated Rowing Club \$12 per seat (incl GST) Non-members of a Rowing WA affiliated Rowing Club \$15 per seat (incl GST)
Entries	RWA Club crew entries are to be submitted into Rowing Manager by 12:00pm Sunday 20 th August 2017 - CLICK HERE TO ENTER Non-member crew entries (e.g. corporate, old boys/girls) are to be submitted through the RWA website by 12:00pm Sunday 20 th August 2017 - CLICK HERE TO ENTER With limited event capacity, RWA will implement a first come first served policy. Please make your entry as soon as possible.
Draws	Following the compilation of entries, the final entry list and draw will be published here on Friday 25 th August 2017
Captains & Coxswains meeting	6:00pm, Tuesday 29th August at RWA Headquarters, Canning Bridge The meeting is mandatory for all participating coxswains
Course	The Regatta course consists of 2 lanes and is a straight course in calm water (dependent on weather). The race course will be set up with two start pontoon to facilitate held starts. More details on the course, marshalling and local hazards is available within the Regatta Management Plan.
Risk Management	Due to the additional risks of rowing in such a public space it is compulsory for all coxswains to complete the online EQ Education and Training Program before each EQ regatta. Once entries close, registered coxswains will be sent a short set of questions based on information in the Regatta Management Plan and coxswain general knowledge. This must be completed before competing in a regatta at EQ. RWA wish to emphasise that all participating crews must take full responsibility for the medical and physical condition of all their rowers. All participants must be able to swim and to control a boat appropriately. EQ is a tight space used by public vessels and ferries. The RWA EQ Regatta Risk Management Plan will be circulated to clubs and be made available to non-club crews following registration.

Boat classes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junior/School Women's 8+ • Junior/School Men's 8+ • Masters Women's 8+ • Masters Men's 8+ • School Old Boys 8+ • School Old Girls 8+ • Open Women's 8+ • Open Men's 8+ • Corporate 8+ <p>Mixed gender and composite crews will be allowed entry but will race in the men's division unless there are sufficient mixed crews to create a separate division.</p> <p>RWA reserves the right to change the event listing based on the number and type of crews entered into each category.</p>
Corporate Crews	<p>The EQ Sprint Regattas are a great opportunity for clubs to leverage their corporate contacts to get involved in a high profile full 'bells-and-whistles' fun/social regatta. Clubs should strongly consider engage their corporate contacts in one of two ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Utilise the EQ regatta as their end of corporate learn to row program • Target ex-rowers in business to form a crew and utilise club boats <p>RWA can assist clubs in developing corporate engagement strategies</p>
Change Facilities	<p>There are change facilities within the Elizabeth Quay (behind V Burger) and at Barrack Square</p>
Catering	<p>Food and drinks can be purchased at surrounding establishments.</p>
Regatta Schedule and Points	<p>The regatta schedule might change due to a range of reasons. Any changes will be posted here.</p> <p>This regatta will not accrue points toward club pennants as there is no grade structure being applied.</p>
Launch Area	<p>RWA is currently negotiating possible launch areas with relevant councils and other Government Departments. More information will be provided once available.</p>
Safety	<p>Getting on and off the water should be done as smoothly and as quickly as possible. All participants must follow instructions given to them by the race officials. Ferries always have right of way over rowing craft. With a ferry leaving or entering EQ every 7-8 minutes crews must be extremely vigilant. Recreational speed boats and jet skis will have access to EQ during the regatta, again a high degree of vigilance is required. Charter vessels are constantly departing/arriving at Barrack St Jetty. When in this area pay extra attention to these vessels. All participants should read the Regatta Management Plan to understand the unique elements of regattas held within EQ. It is every rower's responsibility to ensure the safety of their own crew and other crews is of utmost importance.</p>
Questions	<p>RWA Event and Operations Coordinator, Lachlan Chapman can be reached via: Mobile: 0422 426 801 or Email: operations@rowingwa.asn.au</p>