



Welcome to the 2017  
Canadian Secondary School Rowing Association  
Championship Regatta

Providing a fair and safe championship regatta is the purpose of the CSSRA. Each and every decision made by the CSSRA Board of Directors is thoroughly discussed. Our decision making process considers accessibility, safety and finances along with suggestions received from coaches and student athletes. With 71 successful regattas to draw upon including volunteers who have dedicated their time for many years, we pay careful attention to what has worked in the past but we also look at what needs to change. To that end, our Objectives Committee considers all of these perspectives when making changes to the regatta. Each decision is measured carefully and then the committee recommendations are brought to the Board of Directors for further discussion.

At our May 28, 2017 meeting, the following decisions for change to the 2018 Regatta were passed. The 73<sup>rd</sup> Canadian Secondary School Championship Regatta will have 2 events added for a total of 38 events.

- The CSSRA Directors have voted to bring back the Senior Mens and Senior Womens pair events to the CSSRA Championship Regatta beginning in 2018.

Also, the CSSRA Directors have voted to replace the following lightweight coxed four events with lightweight quadruple sculls beginning with the 2018 regatta.

- The Junior and Senior Women 59 kg coxed fours will become 59 kg quad events.
- The Junior and Senior Men 66 kg coxed fours will become 66 kg quad events.

It is a response to the increased participation in sculling events and a decline in sweeping events, as reflected in the statistics over the course of several regattas. The Board has voted to adjust the events to reflect the direction our sport is moving towards.

The new Order of Events for the 2018 regatta will be posted on our website shortly, to allow you to make plans for next season.

Further changes at the 2018 regatta will include the new membership fee structure. As Rowing Canada Aviron and ROWONTARIO move towards implementing the new fee structure in April 2018, you will see a change in your 2018 CSSRA regatta invoice. Regatta Central will be collecting the membership fees for these two governing bodies of our sport, based on your CSSRA entries. Communication regarding the specifics of this new system will be shared as we learn more about the change. This will allow you to budget for our 2018 CSSRA Championship regatta.

Very Sincerely

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President CSSRA