



KLCOA Regatta 2026 - Event Guidelines

We welcome your enthusiasm for this great KLCOA sponsored event. All participants for events at the Regatta must be from KLCOA families and their extended family members. Membership as its privileges.

Please review some of our Regatta guidelines and safety precautions that are in place to help ensure all families, participants and volunteers have a clear understanding of event practices and expectations.

SWIM RACES

Marathon Swim:

- All swimmers must pre-register for the swim by 4 pm July 31st by emailing kerin.harding@gmail.com; provide name, age and cottage address
- Marathon swimmers must be at Little Island for a 9 am start into the water
- All swimmers must be accompanied by a non-motorized boat / spotter

Morning Swim Races:

- Announcements of races will be made however, families need to ensure their children are ready at the appropriate race time(s); Swimmers are to "check in" with the ON DECK Swim Marshal located by the Beach Umbrella near the Start Dock.
- Qualified lifeguards are in the water for all swim races
- No diving off dock - jump in and swim or begin in water holding dock edge
- All swimmers must touch the finish dock to conclude their race
- PFDs are allowed for events per parent wishes
- Parents are not to be on Start or Finish Docks for safety reasons; Dock marshals will accompany young swimmers on and off docks
- For events of 2 lengths, swimmers must touch the dock at race midpoint
- Trophies and medallions will be presented after all morning races are completed (before lunch break)

AFTERNOON PADDLE RACES

- Participants go to "ON DECK CHECK IN" near the START DOCK for coloured arm bands and any needed props (Aluminum pie plates)
- Watercraft must depart between START DOCK and BUOY at the whistle
- Participants must cross the finish line between the BUOY and the FINISH DOCK; any watercraft crossing outside of the buoy must be considered a DNF
- Participants must use the correct equipment for the event and must travel in it appropriately (e.g. for Stand up Paddleboard races - participant must be standing on the board and must use a SUP paddle)
- PFDs must be worn for all paddle events
- If an event is oversubscribed to (more than 8 vessels), HEATS will be implemented and the top 3 winners from each heat will then compete for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.