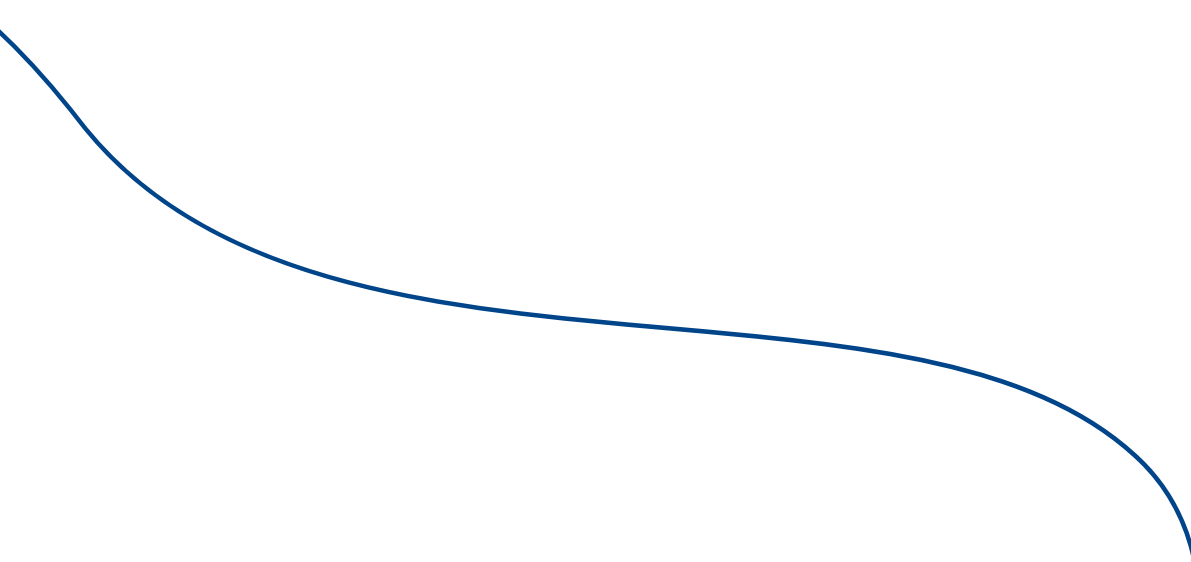




# VISITORS INFORMATION PACK

**Lake Burley Griffin**



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# WELCOME TO CANBERRA

Welcome to Canberra and the wonderful training playground that is Lake Burley Griffin! We hope you enjoy your time here in the nation's capital. This safety pack is a useful guide for visitors on some of the unique features of rowing on Lake Burley Griffin.

Like every place you row, Lake Burley Griffin has its own quirks and safety reminders all rowers and coaches need to follow when training on our lakes.





# TRAFFIC FLOWS

Lake Burley Griffin has its own traffic flow and requirements for rowers to following when training. Whilst less commercial and public boats than other cities, not following the Traffic Flows can create dangerous situations for all crews involved.



# KEY INTERSECTIONS AND FLOWS

ONE

## CENTRAL AND EAST BASIN

There are two big bridges on Lake Burley Griffin, being Kings Avenue Bridge and Commonwealth Avenue Bridge. There are specific arches crews can travel through in each direction, with certain arches being a no travel zone.



TWO

## INTERSECTIONS

There is a number of intersections and critical points on Lake Burley Griffin where crews need to be mindful of boats around them. The Full Lake Traffic Flow Map can be found in this pack.

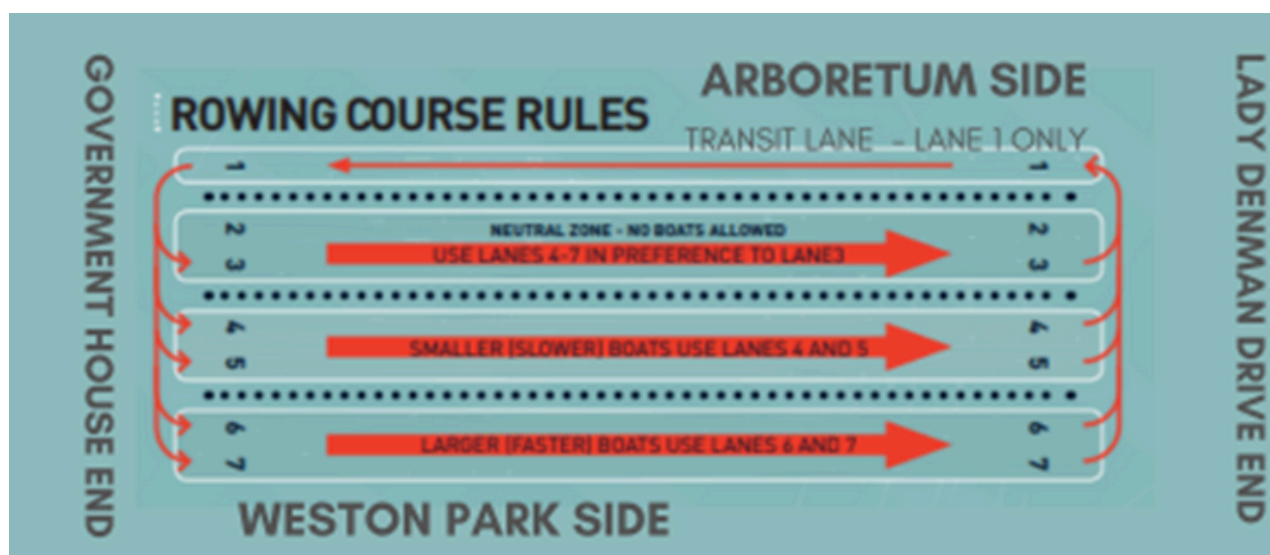




# REGATTA COURSE

The traffic flow on the regatta course is specific to Canberra. Crews need to cross the finish line when heading to the course and travel to start line up lane 1. Coaching boats should continue at idle up the middle of the course.

Coaches may follow crews on the regatta course when completing training pieces at speed, however they should be mindful of the wash they are creating and the effect on rowing boats around.



# LAKE BURLEY GRIFFIN

## WATERCRAFT SAFETY

ON LAKE BURLEY GRIFFIN

## TRAFFIC FLOW GUIDE

**CAUTION KURRAJONG POINT**

- Crews crossing to Black Mountain Peninsula must give way.
- Boats proceeding from Kurrajong Point to GIVE WAY to traffic traveling North along Tarcoola Reach.

**CAUTION ROWING COURSE**

- NO ROWING in lane 2.
- Boats proceeding to Start/Scrivener Dam: row in lane 1, following course traffic guideline; coaching boats to minimize wash.
- Slower boats travelling to Scrivener Dam must give way to faster boats.
- Lanes 3-7 Traffic moving from start to finish. Powerboats permitted to keep pace with crews doing workloads in this direction.
- Boats passing behind the finish line area need to GIVE WAY to boats coming down course.
- Stationary boats on the rowing course must give way.
- Boats must travel down the course (away from Government House) in lanes 3-7 only. At no time should boats travel in lane 2 unless doing work and accompanied by a coaching boat.

**CAUTION BLACK MOUNTAIN PENINSULA**

- Area of merging traffic, keep to your starboard side.

**GENERAL PRINCIPLES**

**IN GENERAL**

- Boats must stay close to the shore line with the bank on their starboard side.
- Always go counter clockwise.
- Boats can use other lines with caution.

**GIVE WAY**

- Overtaking vessel has a legal obligation to keep clear.
- Give way to boats on your starboard side.
- Powered vessels give way to all vessels.
- Human powered vessel give way to all sailing vessels.

**APPROVED EVENTS**

- May implement competition rules which may vary slightly to this guide.

For further guidance refer to Part 5, Rules of preventing collisions on the lake, Lakes Ordinance 1976.

**CAUTION EAST BASIN**

- Keep well to your Starboard side.
- Powerboats to minimize wash.
- Area of multiple uses, take care when entering.
- Crossing traffic.

**MINIMUM LIGHTING RECOMMENDATIONS**

- MOTOR BOATS**  
Should have port and starboard lighting and white light visible from 360°.
- PADDLERS/ROWERS**  
Should have solid white lights at bow and stern or a flashing white light visible from 360°.
- LIGHTS**  
Should be visible from 1500m in clear conditions.

**EMERGENCY CONTACT: ACT WATER POLICE 6256 7777 OR 000**

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## SAFETY REMINDERS

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### WHEN DRIVING ON THE LAKE, WATCH OUT FOR YOUR WAKE.

All tinny drivers should take care not to wash out other rowing crews when passing them.

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### FOR A CLEAR LINE OF SIGHT, COXES AND COACHES SHOULD STICK TO THE RIGHT

Coxes and coaches should stick to their right hand side bank (bow side).

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### FOR A ROWERS BEST, STICK TO THE LEFT

All rowers should stick to their left (bow side) bank when training.

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### IF A BOAT IS COMING NEAR, MAKE SURE TO STEER CLEAR

If a faster boat is approaching you, make sure to give them space to overtake. Overtaking boats should use all care to avoid slower boats.

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### WHEN COMING OUT OF A BAY, STOP AND GIVE WAY

Boats leaving bay areas need to give way to all on-coming traffic.

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Rowing ACT has a number additional safety resources and information available on our website.

There is also a Visitors Safety Quiz which we encourage all visiting clubs to complete to ensure they understand the traffic flows of Lake Burley Griffin.





STAY SAFE ON OUR LAKES AND ENJOY  
YOUR TIME TRAINING IN CANBERRA.

