

Notes and information: Age Category Racing

Proposed Change	Notes, potential ramifications
Add U-17 2x	58% of Athletes entered in Varsity 2x's in 2016 were U-17. Could potentially replace 3V 2x with U-17 2x.
Add U-17 4x+ or 4x-	Systematically encourage sculling for younger athletes.
Add U-17 4+	Would re-shuffle 4's lineups. Could potentially replace 5V 4+.
Create U-17 Nov 4+	Would move some entries out of the overcrowded 2nd Novice 4+ event.
Create U-17 Novice 8+	93% of participants in the 2nd Novice 8 were U-17 in 2016. Encourage boating older beginners with JV / 3V crews.
Add U-17 8+	Add meaningful racing for the developmental group of age 14-16 Support developing clubs. There is room in the schedule.
Remove "Youth Events"	Could be re-added as a U-15 Category Specific U-15 could be held, perhaps over 1,000 meters.
Remove 2nd Lightweight 4+	2nd Lightweight 4 has low subscription over the past three years.
Remove 2nd Novice 8+	93% of athletes would be racing in a U-17 Novice 8+ event.

40% of Athletes entered in the Lt 8's were U-17.

52% of the total athletes are U-17.