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ROUND 4 - 2019

RACE PROGRAM AND MAPS ONLY
to be read in conjunction with the
AOCRA Regatta and Training Rules March
2018 and Matters for Attention 2018

Sunday, June 2
to be held at
Freemason's Park,
Pallarenda, Townsville



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Government**



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Changes

**Please note the following
changes**

1.

2. Paddle pool: Please contact Colin Iversen,
Race Co-ordinator
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Overview

These two great events (run concurrently) comprising changeover and iron formats allow paddlers to experience paddling in the tropical waters near Townsville in North Queensland. The races are open to combined club, national and international crews.

The Juliette's Magnetic Island event is a 37 kilometre course around the UNESCO World Heritage listed Magnetic Island with its stunning scenery and variable conditions. The course starts on the sandy Pallarenda Beach, traverses the inner Middle Reef, before entering deeper waters near Picnic Bay on the eastern side of the island. After the paddlers catch runners through the gap between the infamous Orchard Rock and the island they begin to head along the rocky escarpment of the northern coast where they will normally encounter rolling waves with a breeze at their backs. The final stretch is across the relatively shallow strait between West Point and Pallarenda at which point paddlers can dream of tail winds.

The changeover is performed from motor boats and is restricted to OC6 contestants. For the brave hearted, all categories of craft can do this event iron.

For those looking for something challenging with a bit of fun then the second event the 32 km Beach Treasure Hunt event is for you. The course lies between the sandy tropical Pallarenda Beach and the inner Middle Reef with UNESCO World Heritage listed Magnetic Island as a backdrop. The course has an outward and return journey in the shape of an "M" with beach based control points at the base points of the "M" and the West and East Middle Reef markers being the apex points of the "M". The treasure hunt component of the event occurs on water where prize balloons released from support craft can be collected and on the beach, as you would expect, treasure will be buried ready to be discovered. At the southern point sand castles can be built for prizes. Contestants are not required to look for treasure but remember the prizes may come in the form of time bonuses or not.

The changeover occurs at the beach control points with "benched" changeover crew strolling along the sandy beach soaking up the sunshine. As the saying goes "beautiful one day perfect the next". This event can be either changeover or iron and is open to all craft and senior age categories.

More information can be found at

<https://www.facebook.com/Townsvilleoutriggercanooclub/>

In Townsville in June it is the dry season and there is a 30 percent chance of calm weather at 9:00 am. The prevailing winds at this time vary from southerly and south easterly

http://www.bom.gov.au/clim_data/cdio/tables/pdf/windrose/IDCJCM0021.032040.9a_mJun.pdf

More climate statistics for Townsville can be found at

http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/averages/tables/cw_032040.shtml

RACING PROGRAM

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Race Program will run on time, or at the discretion of the Race Director. Clubs must provide adequate canoes for competitors in each division. Please be ready for your event. The Race Director will not wait for crews to get to the START LINE.

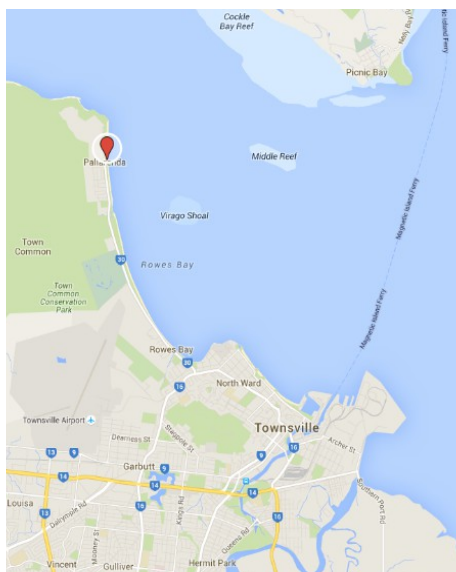
Please note that races may be brought forward on the day so please notify all competitors that it is important to listen for changes over the PA system.

All canoes are required to carry one easily accessible PFD per paddler and AOCRA supplied GPS locators at the discretion of the race director. Bailers, tow ropes and spare paddle are required for OC6s as well as and storm covers at the discretion of the race director.

Always be Sunsmart.

Race Director: Penny Kenchington
Assistant Race Director: Scot Beynon

THE PALLARENDA VENUE



LOCATION

The regatta will be held on the beachfront at Freemasons Park, Pallarenda, Townsville.

PARKING & TRAVEL

Car parking is available at Freemasons Park, and trailers can be parked in the adjacent boat ramp area. (see map next page).

THE VENUE



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TRAILER PARKING

Adjacent to the regatta site (see map)

REFRESHMENTS

Food and drink will be available at the regatta site.

ALCOHOL

Alcohol is strictly prohibited at both the regatta site and anywhere along the foreshore.

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PRESENTATIONS

The Presentation venue is the regatta site and will occur approximately 30 minutes after the finish of the last race.

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NOMINATION FEES

	Seniors
37 km Juliette's Magnetic Island changeover event per person	OC6 - \$50
37 km Juliette's Magnetic Island Iron, event per person	OC6 - \$90 OC2 - \$90 V3 - \$90 V1, OC1 - \$90 skis - \$90 double skis - \$90
33km Beach Treasure Hunt event per person	OC6 - \$50 OC2 - \$50 V3 - \$50 V1, OC1 - \$50 skis - \$50 double skis - \$50

Extra charges will apply for Juliette's Magnetic Island changeover escort boat hire. Note that that these events are all on at the same time so that a person can only nominate for one event

CLUB NOMINATIONS

All clubs must lodge a CLUB NOMINATION with payment,
performed online,
at www.aocra.com.au

Individuals wishing to compete in an OC1/2 event
can lodge a "CLUB NOMINATION" with payment by credit card,
at www.aocra.com.au

All nominations close at **5pm Friday, May 17, 2019**
Late nominations will not be accepted

TEAM and INDIVIDUAL NOMINATIONS

**(ie the name of individuals eligible to paddle in
each race in each division) must be lodged online at
www.aocra.com.au no later than
5pm Friday, May 17, 2019**

If nominations are not received for certain divisions,
the host club will organize to delete these from the
schedule of events

When **Signing In** for OC6 events clubs need to
indicate:

1. which individuals are in *each crew* for the upcoming race
2. the canoe number (and any identifying feature e.g. sponsor name)
3. crew name (if applicable)

When **Signing In** for *OC1/2 events* individuals need to:

1. Confirm the division
2. Indicate individual/s paddling
3. **Canoe number (and any identifying feature eg colour of ama)**

It would be appreciated if paddlers do not approach the Sign In desk until they have all of the above details.

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Escort Boat Hire

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PLEASE NOTE

COMBINED EVENT

As the rules for these events allow for

1. age categories to be based on the average age of the crew rather than the age of the youngest crew member and
 2. combining clubs
- they are classified as combined events. Therefore, medals and prizes are awarded but no club points.

AGE DIVISION FOR THE CHANGEOVER EVENTS WILL BE BASED ON AVERAGE AGE OF THE CREW

To make it easier for clubs to form crews, the average age of the crew will be calculated by summing the ages of each crew member (in years, months, and days) and dividing by the number in the crew. This average age will determine the age division of the crew as per AOCRA divisions. A crew list with DOBs will need to be submitted before the race so that divisions can be calculated.

ESCORT BOATS FOR HIRE FOR THE CHANGEOVER

We have sourced a limited number of Escort Motor Boats with driver for hire at around \$400.00 per OC6 and we should be able to publish a list by late April. It is recommended that crews source their own boats if they can. (Escort boats are not required for the Beach Treasure Hunt changeover race. The cost of support boats (lead, tail etc.) is covered in the nomination fees.)

CANOE HIRE

A limited number of canoes are available for hire by contacting the regatta coordinator.

COMBINED CREWS FOR THE CHANGEOVER EVENTS

To make it easier for smaller clubs to form crews, we will accept nominations for combined crews from different clubs.

JULIETTE'S MAGNETIC ISLAND EVENT DIVISIONS

There will be no novice or junior divisions. Novices and juniors can compete with their clubs consent. All other senior age divisions are allowed.

JULIETTE'S MAGNETIC ISLAND CHANGEOVER TEAMS

OC6 Men maximum crew of 9 paddlers

OC6 Mixed and women maximum crew of 10 – at least 3 female paddlers must be in the mixed boat at any time while racing. Golden mixed require only 1 female paddler to be in the boat at any time.

No changeover for smaller craft because of the logistics

JULIETTE'S MAGNETIC ISLAND IRON TEAMS

OC6 Men and women

OC6 Mixed at least 3 female paddlers must be in the mixed boat at any time while racing. Golden mixed require only 1 female paddler to be in the boat.

V3 Mixed must have at least 1 woman in the boat. Golden mixed require one woman in the crew.

OC2 mixed, men and women Mixed must have at least 1 woman in the boat. Golden mixed require one woman in the crew.

V1/OC1 men and women

Skis.

BEACH TREASURE HUNT COURSE CHANGEOVER TEAMS

OC6 Men (all senior divisions) maximum crew of 9 paddlers

OC6 Mixed and women (all senior divisions) maximum crew of 10 – at least 3 female paddlers must be in the mixed boat at any time while racing. Golden mixed require only 1 female paddler to be in the boat at any time.

V3 (all senior divisions) Mixed must have at least 1 woman in the boat at any time. Golden mixed require one woman in the crew. 5 person crew

OC2 mixed, men and women (all senior divisions) Mixed must have at least 1 woman in the boat at any time. Golden mixed require one woman in the crew. Crew of 4

V1/OC1 men and women. (all senior divisions) Crew of 2

Skis.

BEACH TREASURE HUNT COURSE IRON TEAMS

OC6 Men and women(all senior divisions)

OC6 Mixed (all senior divisions)at least 3 female paddlers must be in the mixed boat. Golden mixed require only 1 female paddler to be in the boat.

V3 (all senior divisions)

OC2 mixed, men and women (all senior divisions)

V1/OC1 men and women. (all senior divisions)

Skis.

NOVICE SENIOR PADDLER

The Beach Treasure Hunt course event will include Novice Senior Paddlers. For this regatta, this division is defined as those senior (that is, adult - not junior) paddlers who have been members of AOCRA for less than 2 years. OC6 teams will have at least 5 novice senior paddlers in the boat at one time with up to 10 crew in a changeover team. Two veteran steerers are allowed for the changeover. Veterans can only be steerers. Novices teams have an option of returning parallel to the beach on completion of the outward leg. If the novices decide to do the shorter program the they have to inform the beach control personnel at the furthest beach control point.

SUNDAY COURSE

Sunday, June 2, 2019 Sunrise 6:39, Sunset 17:42 High Tide 7:32 2.90m, Low 14:10 0.65m				
Event	Time	Event	Dist	Duration
	07:00:00 AM	Briefing Juliette's Magnetic Island event		15 mins
	07:15:00 AM	Crew boat transfer - Juliette's Magnetic Island changeover		20 mins
1	07:40:00 AM	Juliette's Magnetic Island Changeover OC6 senior crews in all divisions except novice. Juliette's Magnetic Island Iron - all craft and all senior divisions and except novice	37 km	4 hours
	07:15:00 AM	Briefing Beach Treasure Hunt event		15 mins
2	07:50:00 AM	Beach Treasure Hunt event all senior divisions and craft	33km	4 hours
	12:00:00 PM	FINISH		
	12:30:00 PM	Medal and prize presentation at the regatta site		

Juliette's Magnetic Island Event



Juliette's Magnetic Island Event - OC6, V3, OC1/2 V1: all senior divisions except Senior Novice

1. Proceed, from the start line, ENE then NE for 10 km to the pylon outside the ferry terminal entrance on Magnetic Island
2. The first change can be made 5 km from the start (approximately half way between the Middle Reef marker and the Picnic Bay pylon). A support boat will mark this point

3. At the ferry terminal, an officials boat will either wave you across the ferry channel or direct you to stop as is deemed safe. All boats must pass inside the Bright Point pylon.
4. Continue counter clockwise for another 20 km around the Island and then South for 7 km to the finish line
5. Finish between the beach and the finish buoy

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In the case of poor weather, a shorter course will be considered.

POSSIBLE POOR WEATHER COURSES

Course direction may be reversed. Alternatively the course may be between the island and distance may be varied according to weather conditions. Start times may change, please ensure you check with race officials on the day and attend all race briefings.

Beach Treasure Hunt Event



1. The briefing will include a summary of prizes available.
2. Proceed from the start line to the NW middle reef and do a non-ama turn (approximately 3.2km).
3. Changeover crews not paddling will walk along the beach to the next changeover control point.
4. Proceed from the NW middle reef in a SW direction to the control point on the beach north of the 3 mile creek (approximately 3.5km) outlet and register with officials, hunt for treasure in a predefined area of beach as directed by officials (including information on potential prizes). Change crews if required.
5. Proceed from the northern three mile creek control point to the south east middle reef marker and do a non-ama turn (approximately 4.8km).

- 6.** Proceed from the SE middle reef in a SW direction to the control point on the beach south of the 3 mile creek outlet (approximately 4.8km)register with officials, build a sand castle for treasure and time bonus and change crews if required. At this point novice crews may elect to head back to the finish line on a course parallel with the beach and will be required to check in at the control point north of 3 mile beach.
- 7.** Proceed from the southern control point to the south east middle reef marker and do an ama turn (approximately 4.8km).
- 8.** Proceed from the SE middle reef in a WNW direction to the control point on the beach just north of the 3 mile creek outlet (approximately 4.8km)and register with officials , hunt for treasure as directed by officials and change crews if required.
- 9.** Proceed from the northern three mile creek control point to the NW middle reef marker and do an ama turn(approximately 3.5km).
- 10.**Proceed from the NW middle reef in a WNW direction to the finish line at Pallarenda Beach(approximately 3.2km).
- 11.**Additional time bonuses and prizes will be given for predetermine items collected on the beach at the control points. Items (eg balloons released from support craft) will also be collected on the water for similar prizes and time bonuses. Awaiting crews at control points are not allowed to participate in treasure hunts until their crew has registered at the control point.
- 12.**One crew member who participated in the completed leg must sign in at each of the control points for the craft to be deemed to have completed the course.
- 13.**The control points are 1.3km and 2.7km south of the start line.
- 14.**For the treasure hunt, the beach at the three mile outlet control point will be divided into numbered areas and a set number of prize tags buried in each area. These same areas will be reused for the second 'hunt' on the return leg. No tags will be removed by officials only new ones added. Crews will be allocated a numbered

area by lucky dip at the control point.

15.For sand castle building prizes will be allocated by category for most artistic sand castle and tallest sand castle. Judging will be done by control point personnel after the last crew has left. Any interference in someone else's sand castle will attract a 20 minute penalty.

16.A cut-off time of 3.5 hours will apply at all control points to all craft and the crew will be directed to return along the beach to the finish line. The craft will be deemed to have finished the course but its time will be increased by adding the slowest time over the missed interval in its category to its finish time. This rule also applies to novice crews who elect not to complete the course.

In the case of poor weather, a shorter course will be considered.

POSSIBLE POOR WEATHER COURSES

Course direction and distance may be varied according to weather conditions, but any alternative course will be between the Magnetic Island and Pallarenda Beach. Start times may change, so please ensure you check with race officials on the day and attend all race briefings.

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