

The Inaugural Whale Run Challenge

Proudly presented by

Mooloolaba Outrigger Canoe Club

Saturday 7 September 2019



**49KM OC6 Changeover – Bribie Surf Club to
Mooloolaba Bay**

**4KM & 20KM OC6 Beach Changeover –
Mooloolaba Bay**





President's Welcome

Welcome to all paddlers, families and supporters to our **Inaugural "Whale Run" Bribie to Mooloolaba Changeover Race on Saturday 7th September 2019**. During September the whales are on their return journey - you will be sure to see many of them as they make their way home.



This is an exciting new event in conjunction with and promoted by SQ Zone. We look forward to hosting many crews challenging themselves by taking part in this event.

In addition to the Challenge Changeover Race from Bribie to Mooloolaba for experienced paddlers, there will also be a Beach Changeover race in the Mooloolaba Bay (or in water for those more experienced) for our Juniors and less experienced paddlers to experience changeover racing and improve their skills and gain confidence to do future changeover races.

Mooloolaba is the home of this year's IVF World Long Distance Event in August, showcasing spectacular sea waters. The Bay provides easy beach access for all canoes, great viewing and variety for outrigger races.

Plenty of onsite refreshments with amenities including public showers in the immediate area. Vehicle parking available down Parkyn Parade.

Presentations and Celebrations

All Paddlers, Family and Friends are welcome to come back to our Club after Saturdays Event for a BBQ and refreshments with some light entertainment.

Please note the Mooloolaba Triathlon is also on this Weekend. Roads will remain open for access to Parkyn Parade Mooloolaba Regatta Venue and Boat Ramp for canoe rigging.

Skinn Off It!!

Ron Grabbe

President, Mooloolaba OCC.



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**49Km Changeover Race
Bribie Surf Club to Mooloolaba**



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Race Program for Whale Run Changeover Challenge

Saturday 7 September 2019

Tide Times: **Low tide:** 08:15 0.5M **High tide:** 15:39 1.5M

Race Director: Grant Olds **Assistant Race Director:** Al Rasmussen

On Water Safety: Chris Willmott **Off Water Safety:** TBA

Please Note:

1. Times are approximate and we ask paddlers be ready prior to times indicated ready to start.
2. The Race Director has the discretion to change the course depending on weather conditions.
3. Race Director will not wait for crews to get to the start line
4. All paddlers and Support Boat Captains must attend their briefings on the day.
5. **Registration starts Friday 4:00 – 6:00 PM with Race Briefing at 6:00 PM at Mooloolaba OCC**

Race	Time	Event	Distance
	Friday 4pm - 7pm	Parking/rigging of canoes available at Bribie Surf Club overnight for teams interested 4-7pm (TBC) Registration for 49k race at MOCC compound 4-7pm Support Boat Briefing MOCC Compound 6pm	
	Sat 5.30-6:30 am	Canoe Rigging at Bribie Surf Club Registrations at Bribie Surf Club for 49k Bribie to Mooloolaba Challenge	
	7:00 am	Safety Checks Final Support Boat Briefing Bribie Surf Club	
	7:15 am	Race Briefing for Bribie to Mooloolaba Bribie Surf Club	
Race 1	7:30 am	Bribie to Mooloolaba Changeover Race Start 19 Under, Women, Men, Mixed	49km
	8:30 – 11:30 am	Registration for Mooloolaba Bay Changeover Races	
Race 2	12:00pm	Race Briefing for Mooloolaba Bay 12 U12 & Minnow Beach Changeover at Mooloolaba beach	4km
	12.30pm	12 Under and Minnows Race Start	
	1.00pm	Race Briefing for Mooloolaba Bay Changeover Race	
Race 3	1.15pm	Juniors (beach changeover), Novice, Men, Women, Mixed Race Start	20km
	4:00 pm	Racing finishes	
	5:00 pm	Presentations & Celebrations at MOCC compound	



NOMINATION INFORMATION

- All nominations must register online at www.aocra.com.au before midnight on 31 August 2019
- All team nominations must be completed by 4 September 2019
- **Late Fee applies** per paddler if paid after 31 August 2019
- It is not possible to register on the day.
- NON AOCRA International paddlers must complete the International Indemnity Form and bring to Registration
<https://aocra.com.au/uploads/file/AOCRA%20Forms/2018%20International%20Paddler%20Indemnity%20form.pdf>
- This is a Combined Event – crews may consist of paddlers from various clubs
- No paddlers 16 years and younger can participate in the 49KM Changeover. Paddlers 17 – 19 years of age wishing to race must provide written approval and evidence from their Head Coach to the Zone registrar & Secretary of Mooloolaba OCC info@mooloolabaoutriggers.com prior to registering Club Nomination for approval.

If you are having trouble with the online registration through AOCRA please email support@aocra.com.au or sqregistrar@gmail.com

RACE FEES – Includes race shirt.

Whale Challenge Changeover 49km

\$65 per paddler per race - All Senior Paddlers

\$50 per paddler per race – All Junior Paddlers

Mooloolaba Beach Changeover 20km

\$50 per paddler per race - All Senior Paddlers

\$30 per paddler per race – All Junior Paddlers

Mooloolaba Beach Changeover 4km

\$25 per paddler per race - All Junior Paddlers

Includes a race shirt that **must be worn** on the day

INCENTIVES

SQ Zone are pleased to sponsor the Whale Challenge Changeover 49 KMS. The first three teams across the finish line for; Female, Male and Mixed will receive a gift card prize.

Category	Female	Male	Mixed
First	\$400	\$400	\$400
Second	\$250	\$250	\$250
Third	\$150	\$150	\$150
Perpetual Trophy - First	YES	YES	YES

Presentations will be held at the Mooloolaba Compound at 5:00PM on Saturday 7 September



REGISTRATIONS

All registrations must be completed by **Saturday 31 August 2019** and team nominations by **Wednesday 4 September 2019** via the online system at www.aocra.com.au.

The **RACE DIRECTOR** has the discretion to not allow late registrations to paddle if he or she has concerns about the paddler/support boat ratio.

- **Bribie to Mooloolaba 49km Changeover Race Registration:**

Friday 6 September 4.00pm - 6.00pm at MOCC compound & Saturday 7 September 6.00 - 7.00am at Bribie Surf club

Food will be available on Friday night at Mooloolaba compound

Race Briefing will be at 6:00pm at MOCC on Friday 6 September and again on Saturday 7 September at 7:00am

- **Mooloolaba Bay Changeover Race Registration:**

Saturday 7 September 8:30 – 11:30am

Location: Mooloolaba Beach Access 195

CANCELLATION POLICY

In the very unlikely event of a total abandonment Mooloolaba Outrigger Canoe Club will not be in a position to refund race fees. Refund of AOCRA National and SQ Zone portion are at their discretion.

RACE RULES

- All AOCRA rules and regulations will be enforced, as per the AOCRA Regatta Rules, available under the Administration tab on the AOCRA website. Mandatory safety regulations apply.
- All competitors must wear race shirt for identification
- Yacht Bots will be assigned to each team – this **MUST** be collected at sign in desk at the start venue and fixed to the canoe and returned to the registration team at the end of the race. **DO NOT** turn off the tracking device.
- All competitors are required to attend race briefing and all support boat captains are required to attend support boat briefing on Saturday 7 September
- **Support Boat Captains are required to complete Team Escort Boat Scrutineer Form to bring to the event to complete scrutineer process and confirm attendance and understanding of their role and responsibility** and email to info@mooloolabaoutriggers.com the Mooloolaba OCC secretary of at by Thursday 5 September
- **No lightweight canoes permitted for this event**

AGE DIVISIONS For the 49km Changeover

OC6 Racing	19 Under Girls	19 Under Boys	19 Under Mixed
	Open Women	Open Men	Open Mixed
	Master Women	Master Men	Master Mixed
	Senior Master Women	Senior Master Men	Senior Master Mixed
	Golden Women	Golden Men	Golden Mixed
	Platinum Women	Platinum Men	Platinum Mixed



- If there are two or less nominations in your age division you may be asked to move down to a lower age division

OC6 49KM CHANGEOVER TEAM

- Each changeover team must provide their own support boat on the water with a permanent captain who is not a changeover competitor
- All support boat captains are required to attend the Support Boat Briefing
- 19 Under teams must have ten paddlers. Mixed teams must have a ratio of five boys and five girls.
- Women teams must consist of ten paddlers
- Men teams must consist of nine paddlers
- The golden and platinum master teams must have a minimum of 10 but may have a maximum of twelve paddlers
- Mixed teams must have a minimum of three women paddlers at all times and must consist of ten paddlers. Mixed teams must have a ratio of five boys and five girls.
- Each changeover team is responsible for paying the support boat crew the negotiated fee directly
- Each competitor must carry all necessary food and water for the duration of the race and optional to have additional spare paddles on their support boat
- In the event that your canoe is incapacitated or voluntarily withdrawn from the race the support boat **must** advise race director of the **nearest safe beach** for landing- Road support team arranged for pickup.

1st CHANGEOVER POSITION 49KM

- The first changeover for all teams is at the 4 km buoy (or further) from the race start
- No changeovers allowed during the first 4kms of the race

AGE DIVISIONS for the 20km Changeover

OC6 Racing			Novice Mixed
			14 Under Mixed
			16 Under Mixed
	19 Under Girls	19 Under Boys	19 Under Mixed
	Open Women	Open Men	Open Mixed
	Master Women	Master Men	Master Mixed
	Senior Master Women	Senior Master Men	Senior Master Mixed
	Golden Women	Golden Men	Golden Mixed
	Platinum Women	Platinum Men	Platinum Mixed

OC6 20KMS BEACH CHANGEOVER TEAM

- 16 under and 14 under teams must consist of 10 paddlers with a ratio of five boys and five girls
- The 19 Under teams must consist of ten paddlers. Mixed teams must have a ratio of five boys and five girls.
- The women's teams must consist of ten paddlers
- The men's teams must consist of nine paddlers



- The golden and platinum master teams must have a minimum of 10 but may have a maximum of twelve paddlers
- Mixed teams must have a minimum of three women paddlers at all times and must consist of ten paddlers. Mixed teams must have a ratio of five boys and five girls.
- Support Boats provided
- Each competitor must carry all necessary food and water for the duration of the race and optional to have additional spare paddles on their support boat

OC6 12UNDER & MINNOWS 4KM BEACH CHANGEOVER TEAM

- The 12 under and minnows may combine as team and have a maximum of 10 paddlers with 1 or 2 passive steerers – no gender mixed stipulations
- The course will consist of 4 x 1kms rounds for beach changeover. All changeovers must be beach changeovers in this division.
- Minimum of three nominations required in this event for this race to proceed. Refund will be provided if two or less nominations in this event
- Support Boats provided

SAFETY

- **Bribie to Mooloolaba Changeover Race 49km**
 - PFD's (one per paddler) in all canoes
 - Covers, at least 2 x Bailers and 1 x Secured Tow rope in all canoes
 - At least 1 Spare blade per craft
 - Each crew to have their own support boat at their own expense with a qualified driver. Driver is not a competitor
 - Boat driver to submit copy of boat licence to SQ Zone SRT Team by 28th August 2019
 - Boat driver must sign attended Support Boat Briefing on the Saturday
 - All canoes must carry a tracking device that will be provided on the Saturday when designated competitor signs in
 - All canoes will be scrutineered prior to race start
- **Mooloolaba Bay Changeover Race 20km and 4km**
 - PDF's (one per paddler) in all canoes
 - Covers, at least 2 x Bailers and 1 x Secured Tow rope in all canoes
 - At least 1 Spare blade per craft
 - One experienced registered steerer always during the race
 - All canoes will be scrutineered prior to race start

ONSITE FACILITIES

- BBQ and Coffee van on location
- There are commercial food & beverage outlets available at the site
- Public toilet and shower amenities 30 metres across the road



RACE COURSES

Bribie to Mooloolaba Changeover Race 49km

- Weather conditions will determine the best course on the day. Course is marked in the Map below and is likely if a good Southerly or South Easterly
- Racecourse, distance and start is at the discretion of the Race Director
- All competitors will complete the 49kms course, commencing from the Bribie Surf Club
- The race start will be staggered at 15 minute intervals in the following order:
 - All women and mixed teams
 - All men teams
- The first changeover can take place 4kms from the race start. Distance marked with a buoy marker. No changeovers allowed between race start and first 4kms. Teams performing a change during the first 4kms will be disqualified.
- Buoy Markers on the course at:
 - 4kms from race start for first changeover may commence
 - Moffat Beach buoy (30km) - avoid rock point, stay out of shipping channel
 - Pt Cartwright buoy (44km)
 - Mooloolaba Bay - stay clear the seaway rock wall
- All competitors are required to attend all briefings for confirmation of the final racecourse



Bribie to Mooloolaba Changeover 49km Map

- Race course distance and start is at the discretion of the Race Director
- Staggered Start:
 - Round One – All Women & Mixed Teams 7:30 AM Start
 - Round Two – All Men Teams 7:45 AM Start

Mooloolaba Bay Changeover Race Course 20km

- Race course distance and start is at the discretion of the Race Director
- All competitors will complete the 2.5 km course with 8 laps. Beach changeover or in water depending on skill level.
- Changes must be made within the marked area
- Buoy Markers on the course at:

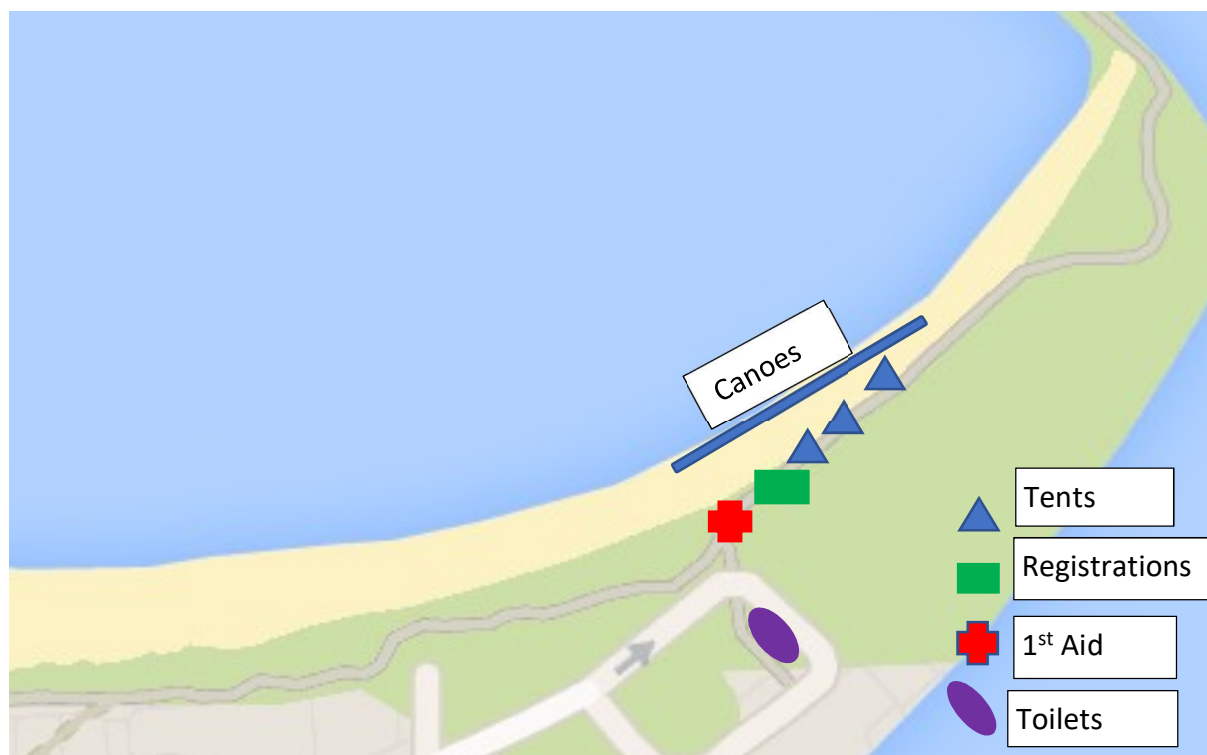


Mooloolaba Bay Changeover Race Course 4km

- Race course distance and start is at the discretion of the Race Director
- All competitors will complete the 1 km course with 4 laps. Beach changeover only
- Must complete 4 changes every 1km
- Buoy Markers on the course at:



EVENT SITE MAP



PLEASE NOTE: There is to be **NO** car parking by paddlers or supporters in the cul-de-sac car parks at the spit end of Parkyn Parade. THIS AREA IS RESERVED FOR CUSTOMERS OF THE RETAIL OUTLETS IN THE AREA. If you park in these spaces you will be asked to remove your vehicle. We also ask that no cars, trailer, vans etc that do not have permission, park within the regatta site.

Please be advised that there is to be **NO PARKING or STOPPING** of vehicles in the driveway located adjacent to 'The Spit' parklands. The entrance to the driveway is to remain clear at all times and is signed a **NO STANDING** area. **The driveway to the DTMR & Water Police facilities is to be kept clear at all times during the conduct of the event.** (No loading and or unloading to be undertaken in the driveway or at the entrance to the driveway). Any vehicle found to be not complying maybe issued an infringement notice which can incur a penalty of \$170.





TRAILER PARKING

Options for trailer and boat parking are being looked at- please check Mooloolaba Outrigger canoe Club Facebook page for updates. <https://www.facebook.com/MooloolabaOCC/>

Trailer parking will be in the boat trailer car park (next to the Coast Guard building) on Parkyn Parade (see map). This is the next large car park on your right **after** the Underwater World / Wharf Precinct car park. Please park considerately and obey all Council signs. If it's particularly good boating weather (i.e. flat), this car park can fill up quickly with recreational boats. **PLEASE NOTE – TRAILERS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO USE STREET PARKING OR OTHER CAR PARKS ON PARKYN PARADE. PLEASE USE THE BOAT TRAILER CAR PARK ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED.**

ACCOMMODATION

There are many accommodation establishments within walking distance of the regatta site. Visit this site for future information. **Please note: the Mooloolaba Triathlon is also on this weekend so please book your accommodation early. <https://visitsunshinecoast.com/accommodation>**

