



Welcomes you to:

SQZ (Small Craft Regatta) V1, OC1, OC2, V3 and Ski Va'a Nation Series 2024	Regatta dates Race 1 - 19 th October 2024 Race 2 – 16 th November 2024 Race 3 – 07 th December 2024
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Nominations Close: Put your canoe number in the notes when you register please	Race 1 – 13 th October 2024 Race 2 – 10 th November 2024 Race 3 - 1 st December 2024
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(midnight Queensland Time)

Location: Middle Beach, Masthead Drive, Raby Bay Foreshore Park. Cleveland

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We acknowledge the Quandamooka people as the Traditional Owners of the Redlands region. We recognise their connection to their land, water, community and dreamtime. We pay our respects to their elders of past, present and emerging. E nga wa katoa, Ka noho tonu

The purpose of this series is to encourage, promote and share our passion for Va'a/Waka paddling, so we invite all paddling codes of all nations around the world to come and enjoy.



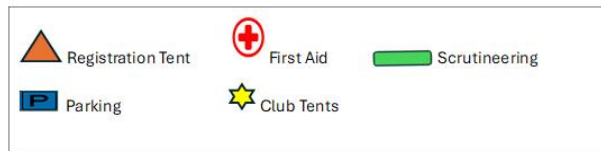
WELCOME

In collaboration with SQ Zone, our club WAVE Academy with support from our Va'a manufacturers/distributors proudly presents the Va'a Nation Series as part of the SQ Small Craft Regatta. As Va'a is an integral component of all annual World Championship formats (Sprint and Long Distance) we are highlighting Va'a to hopefully build awareness, capacity and confidence in this specialised canoe. In saying that, **the 3 part series is for ALL small craft – V1, V3, OC1, OC2, OC3, Ski**

This program is for EACH race in the SERIES. 19/10, 16/11 & 07/12/24. 1 program, 3 races.

1. Regatta Site

Site Map Key:



Due to council restrictions – NO TRAILERS are permitted

****Park trailers at Raby Bay Boat Ramp**



You are welcome to drop the canoes at the race site and relocate the trailer

2. RACE PROGRAM

Race 1 - 19th October 2024 - Registrations Opens: 7.00am			
High Tide:	10.53 (2.53m)	Low Tide:	04.24am (0.16m)
8.15 am	Karakia (Blessing) & Race Briefing		
Race 1	Short Course		8km
8.30 am	All Seniors, 16U, 19U and Novices V1, OC1, OC2, OC3, V3, Ski		
Race 2	Long Course		16km
10.30 am	19U & Seniors – V1, OC1, OC2, V3, Ski		
** Scrutinise your canoe before each race – scrutineers will be wearing a hi-vis vest**			

Race 2 – 16th November 2024 - Registrations Opens: 7.00am			
High Tide:	9.49 am (2.6m)	Low Tide:	3.13am (0.18m)
7.30 am	Karakia (Blessing) & Race Briefing		
Race 1	Short Course		9km
7.45 am	All Seniors, 16U, 19U and Novices V1, OC1, OC2, OC3, V3, Ski		
Race 2	Long Course		18km
9.45 am	19U & Seniors – V1, OC1, OC2, V3, Ski		
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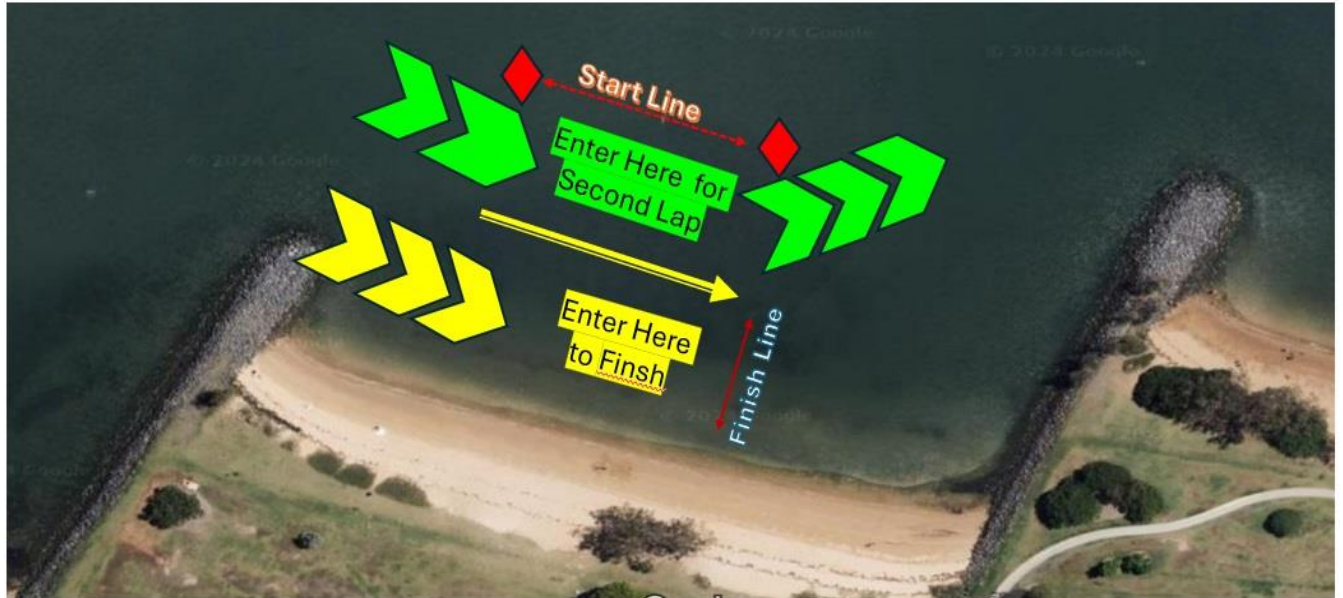
Race 3 - 07th December 2024 - Registrations Opens: 7.30am			
High Tide:	1.58 pm (2.33m)	Low Tide:	7.55 am (0.36m)
8.15 am	Karakia (Blessing) & Race Briefing		
Race 1	Short Course		9km
8.30 am	All Seniors, 16U, 19U and Novices V1, OC1, OC2, OC3, V3, Ski		
Race 2	Long Course		18km
10.30 am	19U & Seniors – V1, OC1, OC2, V3, Ski		
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3. Start and Finish line

Please note that the short course will be 1 lap – the long course will be 2 laps.

- Second Lap (Long Course) Ama turn on the start line buoys
- Finish line – enter the finish Shute (Shute on your left, beach on your right)

Start Flag will be on starter boat. Start process will be as per AOCRA Rules 16.22



4. COURSE MAPS (Wind dependent)

Southerly or South East Wind

Short Course x 1 Lap

Long Course x 2 Laps



Northerly Wind
Short Course x 1 Lap
Long Course x 2 Laps



5. Adverse Weather Course

Short course x 1 Lap
Long Course x 2 Laps



Car Parking

There is ample onsite car parking, please do **not** park on the grass.

Trailer Parking

V3 Trailers cannot be parked in car parks or on residential roads. Feel free to drop the canoes off, but the trailer must be relocated to the Raby Bay VMR, 17 William Drive, Raby Bay.

Eligibility for Va'a Nation Series Perpetual Trophies:**Compete in all 3 races to collect series points**

Points will be accumulated through the series as per AO rules 17.3.5:

1 st place: 14 points	7 th place: 5 points
2 nd place: 12 points	8 th place: 4 points
3 rd place: 10 points	9 th place: 3 points
4 th place: 8 points	10 th place: 2 points
5 th place: 7 point	11 th onwards: 1 point
6 th place: 6 points	

Please compete with sportsperson like behaviour – ego friendly and supportive

NOMINATION INFORMATION**5 PARTICIPATION RULES****REGISTRATION**

All nominations must be registered online at <https://aocra.com.au/race-registration.php> before the cut-off date. It is not possible to register on the day.

If you are having trouble with the online registration through AO please email support@aocra.com

5.1 RACE FEES**Entry Race Fees**

\$25 Per Paddler - Short Course

\$30 Per Paddler - Long Course

\$15 per Junior – Short Course

Non-AOCRA paddlers (Ski) – add \$8 for day insurance

Registrations after midnight (AEST Qld) of the advertised cut off will incur a \$100 late fee (\$50 for juniors) in addition to the advertised race fee.

** Please see 9. for Refund/Cancellation Policy

6. COMPOSITE CREWS

Entries from **various AOCRA clubs** for OC2 and V3 entries are permitted in these small craft regatta

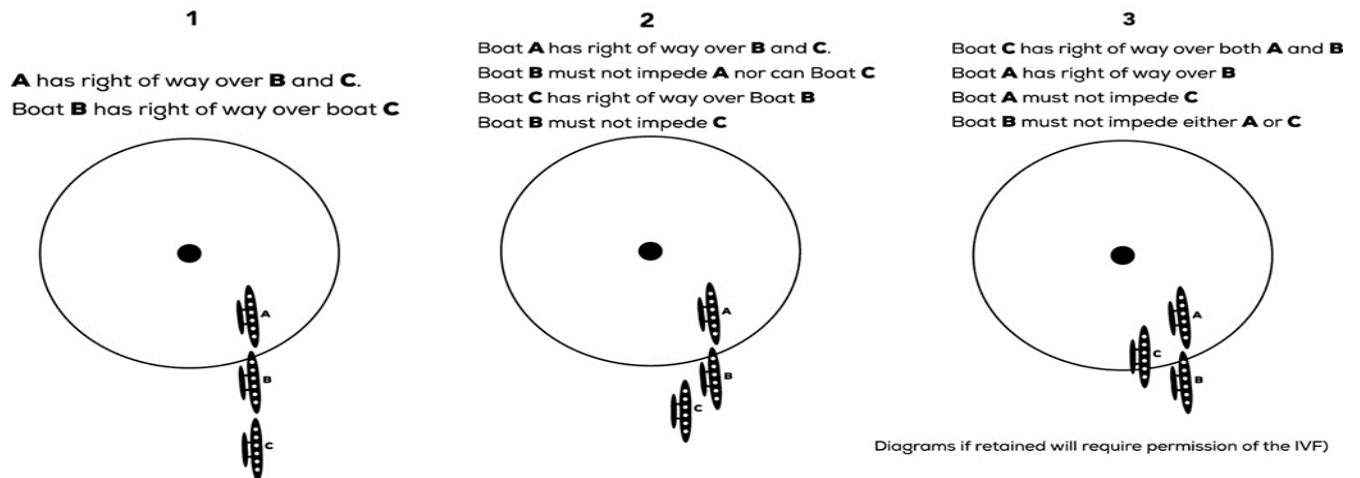
7. SAFETY

Mandatory safety regulations apply. Please note the following safety requirements.

V1	1 x PFD 1 x Bailer 1x spare paddle Covers optional
OC1	1 x PFD 1x spare paddle 1 x Leg Leash
OC2	2 x PFD 1x spare paddle 1 x Leg Leash
V3/OC3	3 x PFD 2 x Bailers 1 x Tow Rope 1 x spare paddle Covers optional
SKI	1 x PFD 1 x Leg Leash

8. Right of Way Rule

Figure 1 Diagram depicting examples of "right of way" rules with the circle depicting two canoe lengths.
(please note in the second example canoe c does not get right of way until they are within 2 canoe lengths of the turn).



9. AOCRA Refund Policy effective 30 November 2021

The Nomination Fee

All nomination fees must be published in regatta event programs disclosing the detailed split of the fee as per examples below:

Nomination Fee OC6 per race	Seniors Short Course	16U/19U Short Course	Seniors Long Course	19U Long Course
Total Fee	\$25:00	\$15:00	\$30:00	\$15:00
Host Club	\$18:00	\$10:00	\$23:00	\$10:00
Zone	\$5:00	\$3:00	\$5:00	\$3:00
AOCRA	\$2:00	\$2:00	\$2:00	\$2:00

AOCRA Refund Policy in the event of Postponement and or Cancellation

Refund policy may vary depending on the type of event and the Host or Organiser. The Host of each event must include a Refund Policy in the approved Regatta / Event Program outlining the terms for eligibility to request a refund. The Refund Policy must be the same wording as outlined in the AOCRA Rules, otherwise, the Host must seek approval from AOCRA Events for any changes prior to publishing a Refund Policy in the approved Regatta / Event program. The Refund Policy applies to nomination fees paid to enter a sanctioned AOCRA event only.

Nominee Cancellation Prior to the Event Date

Change of Mind or Unable to Attend

Once the nomination fee is paid there is no refund for change of mind. If you have paid the nomination fee and are unable to attend the event due to extenuating circumstances outside of your control, you may apply in writing using the AOCRA Request for Refund Form on the AOCRA website and email to support@ocra.com.au giving details of the reason for requesting a refund. The Host, Zone and AOCRA are not obligated to refund their respective portions of the nomination fee, and if a refund is approved it will be processed in full less an administration fee of up to \$10 for processing the refund. AOCRA determines the administration fee at the time of processing a refund and retains the administration fee to cover their processing costs.

The nominee cannot request a refund on the day of the event or after the start date of the event.

Host Postpones or Cancels the Event

Host Giving Notice of Postponement or Cancellation

The Host must follow the AOCRA Rules to postpone or cancel an event and give notice in writing by: email, sms alert notification or text message to your mobile device, Host Facebook post, written announcement on the AOCRA website. The effective date is the date of dispatch.

Event Postponed

Should the Host, Zone or AOCRA postpone an event, they are required to give notice at any time prior to the scheduled start time of an event.

A date for the rescheduled event must be announced within 7 days of the original event date in writing by: email, sms alert notification or text message to your mobile device, Host Facebook page, written announcement on the AOCRA website. The Host reserves the right to postpone the event (where no refund will be issued).

The rescheduled event program content / format may change including scheduled times which is at the discretion of the Host and they reserve the right to do without notice.

The Host, Zone or AOCRA may continue to postpone an event following the same process as above.

Event Cancelled

- The Host, Zone or AOCRA may cancel an event inline with the AOCRA Rules.
- Cancellation more than 30 days before the event is at minimum a 80% refund of the Host, Zone and AOCRA portion of the nomination fee.
- Cancellation more than 7 days before the event is at minimum an 70% refund of the Host, Zone and AOCRA portion of the nomination fee.
- Cancellation more than 1 day before the event is at minimum a 60% refund of the Host, Zone and AOCRA portion of the nomination fee.
- Cancellation on the day of the event is at minimum a 40% refund of the Host, Zone and AOCRA portion of the nomination fee.
- The Host reserves the right to refund at a greater value of their portion of the nomination fee only, than the stated cancellation terms above.
- The Zone reserves the right to refund at a greater value of their portion of the nomination fee only, than the stated cancellation terms above.
- AOCRA reserves the right to refund at a greater value of their portion of the nomination fee only, than the stated cancellation terms above.

Refund Payment

Refunds will be processed within 30 days of cancellation via the same method used for payment.