

TALOBILLA

WAKA AMA OCC

**INVITE YOU TO SQ ZONE CLUB CHALLENGE
LAST RACE OF THE CHALLENGE**

SATURDAY 6 JULY 2024

2A REEF POINT ESPLANADE,

SCARBOROUGH

REDCLIFFE MARINA

NOMINATIONS CLOSE

SATURDAY 29 JUNE 2024



KIA ORA

TO OUR PADDLING WHANAU.

On behalf of the Talobilla Waka AMA Club, I'd like to welcome all participants, supporters, friends to our club's first ever regatta and to the last regatta of 6 series situated on the beautiful Redcliffe Peninsula.

There will be Men and Women's, short and long OC6 races as well as short races.

The races will be run around a 8km circuit.

Once for short courses, twice for the long courses. So it should make for good viewing for all the spectators.

The Juniors will be on a separate 2km circuit, inside the 8km circuit.

I encourage you to look closely at the race program and pick your races, as it will be a day packed with racing and a lot of activity on the water, with the first race starting at 7am and the last race starting at 12:00pm.

The days racing will commence with the Mens OC6 long course race starting at 7:00am followed closely by the Ladies singles long course 2 mins later.

Just a word of warning, races will start on time and races will not be held up for late comers.

So preparation is KEY.

There will be time penalties of 5 mins for being over the line at starts and rear ending other craft.

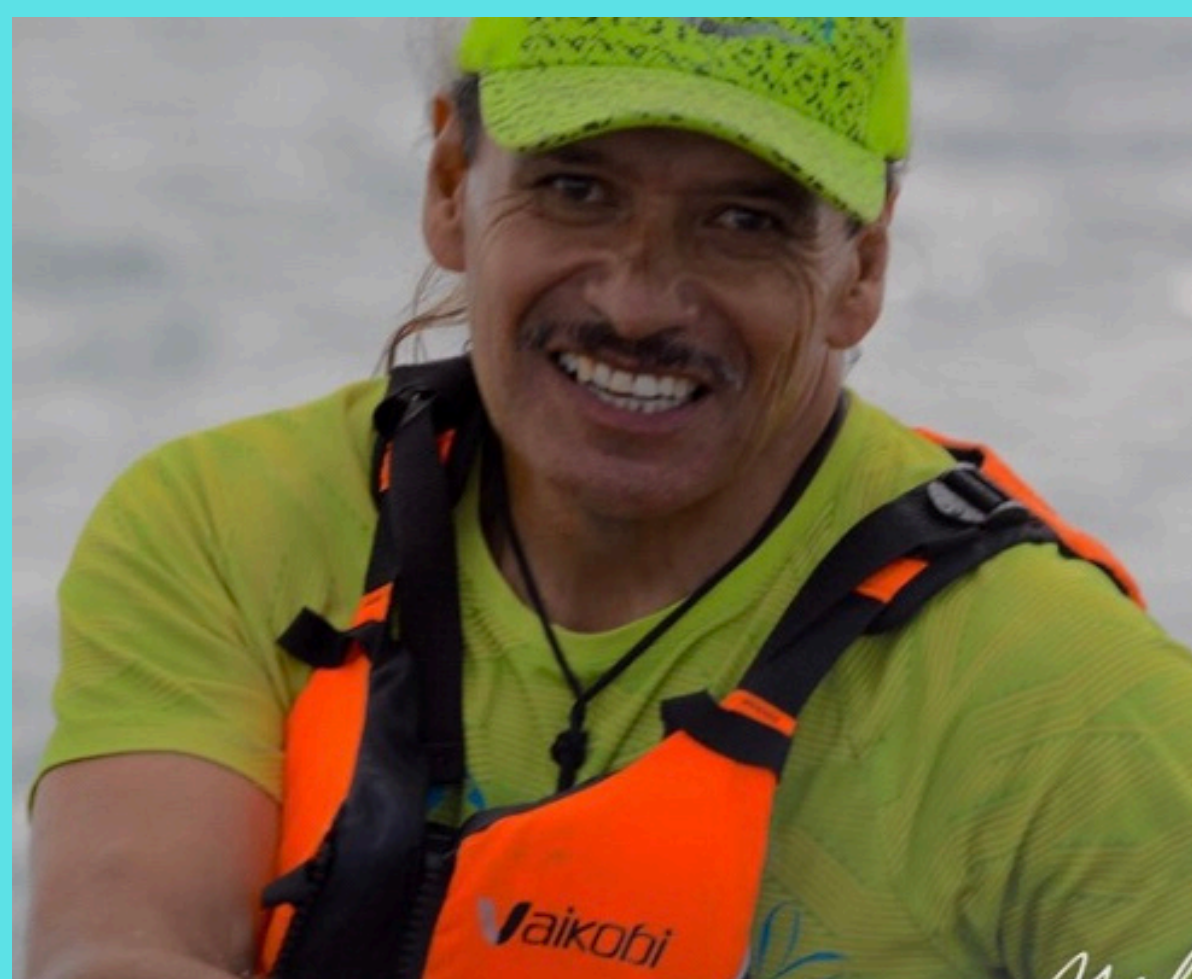
Disqualification will apply if a OC6 hit a single craft.

Food and drink will be onsite as usual.

Medal presentation will be awarded for junior and novice paddlers at the race venue.

I would like to wish you all the best for your race and don't miss the start.

WHETU PAKAU
PRESIDENT
TALOBILLA WAKA AMA CLUB





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The Venue

**2A Reef Point Esplanade, Scarborough
Redcliffe Marina**

Parking

Parking for competitors and Spectators is available at the car park directly adjacent to the regatta site. There is single parking in the trailer parking area as well as street parking along Reef Point Esplanade.

Trailer Parking

OC6 Trailer Parking is at the Scarborough Public Boat Ramp.

All scrutineering will be done **before leaving the boat ramp.**

Alternative OC6 trailer parking can be found on Thurecht Parade if this area is full - Waka loading at this venue will

need to contact the Race Director and have your waka scrutinised as you reach the beach.

Refreshments

Coffee Cart, Drinks and Food will be available at the Talobilla Waka AMA shed.

There is also the Sea, Salt & Vine Cafe and other food venues within walking distance.

Toilets

There are public toilets and portaloos will be available.





RACE ENTRY FEE

Nomination Fee Per Paddler	Senior Short Course	Senior Long Course	Junior Courses
Total Fee	\$25.00	\$30.00	\$15.00
Host Club	\$18.00	\$23.00	\$10.00
Zone	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$3.00
AOCRA	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$2.00

- Registrations after midnight (AEST QLD) of the advertised cut off date will incur a \$500 late fee (\$50 for juniors) in addition to the advertised race fee.



REGISTRATION

Club Registrars must complete nominations and include waka numbers and team sheet by **midnight 29 June. 2024** via the AOCRA website. All nominations must be registered **online** before the cut off date. If you are having trouble with the online registration through the AOCRA website please email support@aocra.com

All Individual competitors & team captains must sign-in at the registration tent prior to the event and confirm their team members as recorded on the Team Sheet.

All Steerers, team managers and OC1, OC2, VI paddlers are to attend course briefings prior to the race start.



RACE TIME TABLE

EVENT	TIME	DETAILS High Tide 8.30am. Low Tide 2pm	DISTANCE
	6:00AM	REGISTRATION OPEN FOR RACE 1 & 2	
	6:00AM	Support Boat Briefing	
	6:30AM	Opening Blessing & Race Briefing	
		ALL COMPETITORS - PADDLE TO START LINE - 10 MINS PRIOR TO RACE START TIME	
RACE 1	7:00AM	Men OC6 All ages Long Distance	16km
RACE 2	7:02AM	Women OC1, OC2 V1 All Ages - Long Course	16km
		ALL COMPETITORS - PADDLE TO START LINE - 10 MINS PRIOR TO RACE START TIME	
	7:10AM	Junior Race Briefing	
RACE 3	7:30AM	JUNIORS U12 2KM, U14 & NOVICE 4K OC1, OC2, V1	2KM & 4KM
	8:45AM	RACE BRIEFING 4 & 5	
RACE 4	9:15AM	MEN OC6 ALL AGES/NOVICE - SHORT COURSE	8KM
RACE 5	9:17AM	WOMEN, MIXED, NOVICE - OC1, OC2, V1 - U16 - SENIORS.	8KM

	9:00AM	RACE BRIEFING – JUNIORS OC6 – MIGHTY MINNOWS, U14, THE DASH	
RACE 6	9:30AM	MIGHTY MINNOWS 2K, U14, Novice Dash 4K. MIGHTY MINNOWS DO 1KM THEN REST FOR 5 – 7 MINS. THEN GO AGAIN.	2KM & 4KM
		ALL COMPETITORS – PADDLE TO START LINE – 10 MINS PRIOR TO RACE START TIME.	
RACE 7	10:30AM	WOMEN OC6 – U16, NOVICE, MIXED SHORT COURSE	8KM
RACE 8	10:32AM	MENS, U16, NOVICE – OC1, OC2, V1 SHORT COURSE	8KM
	11:00AM	Junior Presentation	
	11:30AM	Race Briefing	
RACE 9	12:00PM	Women OC6 All Ages Mixed – Long Course	16KM
RACE 10	12:02	Men OC1, OC2, V1 All Ages	16KM
	12:15PM	Novice Presentation	
	2:30PM	END OF RACING.	

RACE DIVISIONS

MEN	WOMEN	MIXED
MINNOWS U12/U14/U16 NOVICE OPEN MASTER SNR MASTER GOLDEN MASTER PLATINUM	MINNOWS U12/U14/U16 NOVICE OPEN MASTER SNR MASTER GOLDEN MASTER PLATINUM	MINNOWS U12/U14/U16 NOVICE OPEN MASTER SNR MASTER GOLDEN MASTER PLATINUM

COMPOSITE CREW

Entries from various AOCRA clubs for team entries for Juniors, Golden Master and Platinum (competing in the same division ie Junior, Golden and Platinum) are allowed.

Request to race Junior Teams made up of paddlers from various clubs is acceptable and requests for additional exemptions must be emailed to secretarysqzone@aocra.com.au

TRANSFER BETWEEN CLUBS

Transfer from a losing club to a gaining club must be completed online by both clubs before the nominations close for this regatta. A losing Club will not, without good cause, fail to complete an online transfer.

LONG COURSE



The Long Course will run twice around a 8KM circuit, making it a spectator friendly course and a mental challenge for all paddlers.

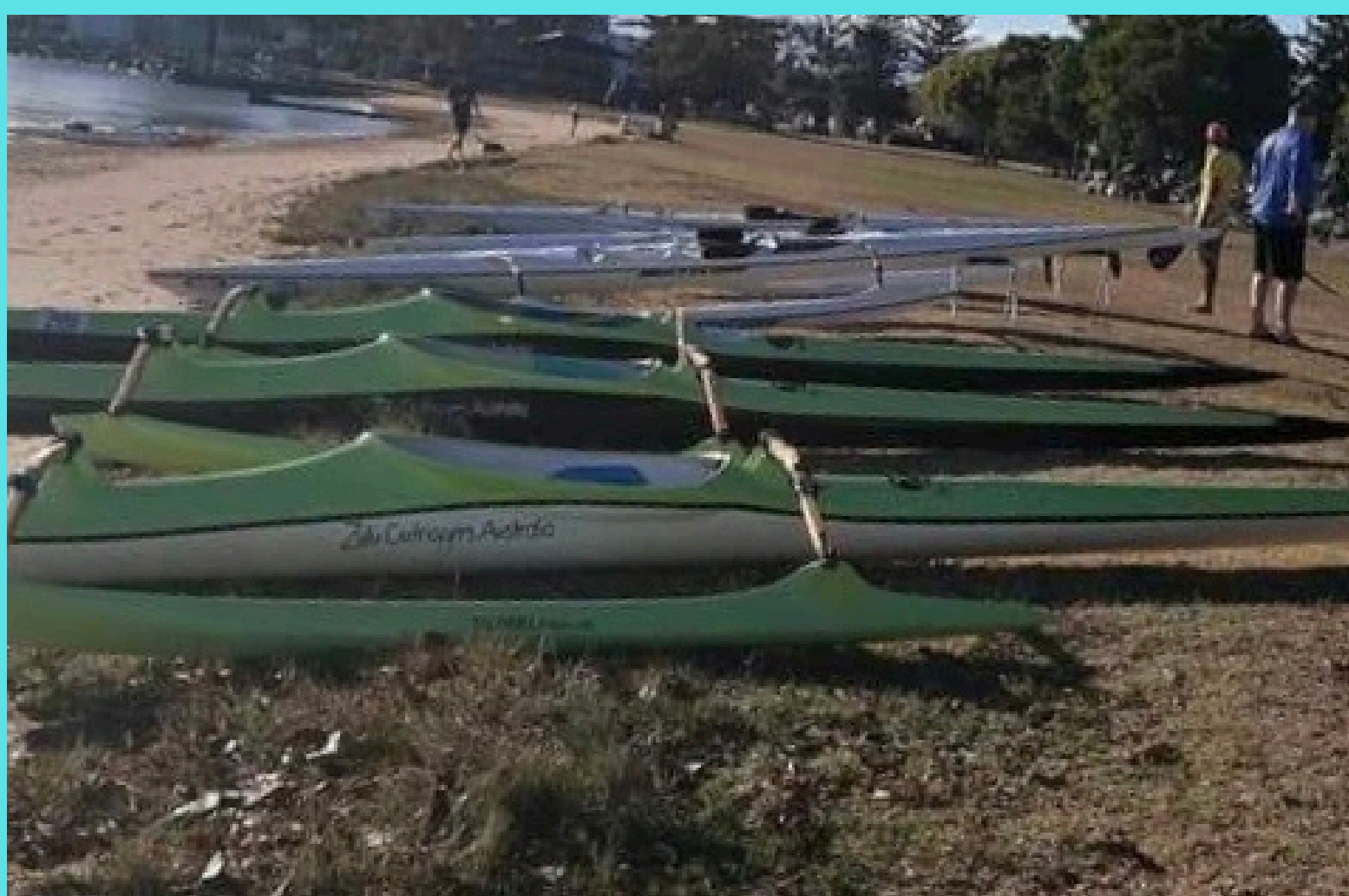
The course will be adjusted on the day to get the longest downwind run possible for all competitors.

Start line will be 500mtres wide so plenty of room to line up on giving craft plenty of space.

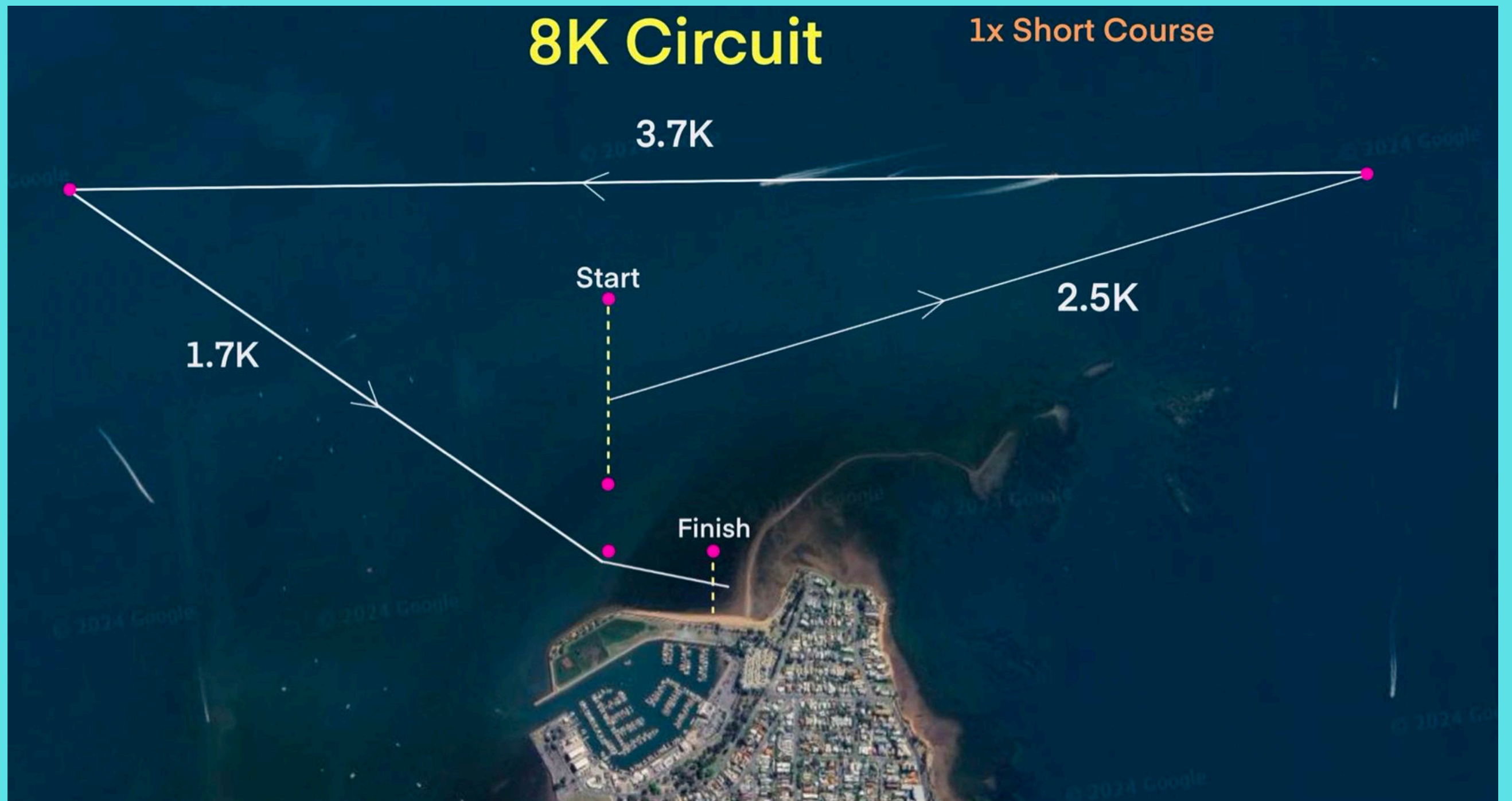
Finish line, waka will turn left around buoy closet to the beach and head to the finish, which will be a buoy on your left and marker or gazebo on the beach.

All craft are to move past the finish line, to exit race area non ama turn and bring waka to shore.

At conclusion of race day OC6 waka are to exit race area by non ama turn and move along close to shore so as not to interfere with craft still racing.



SHORT COURSE



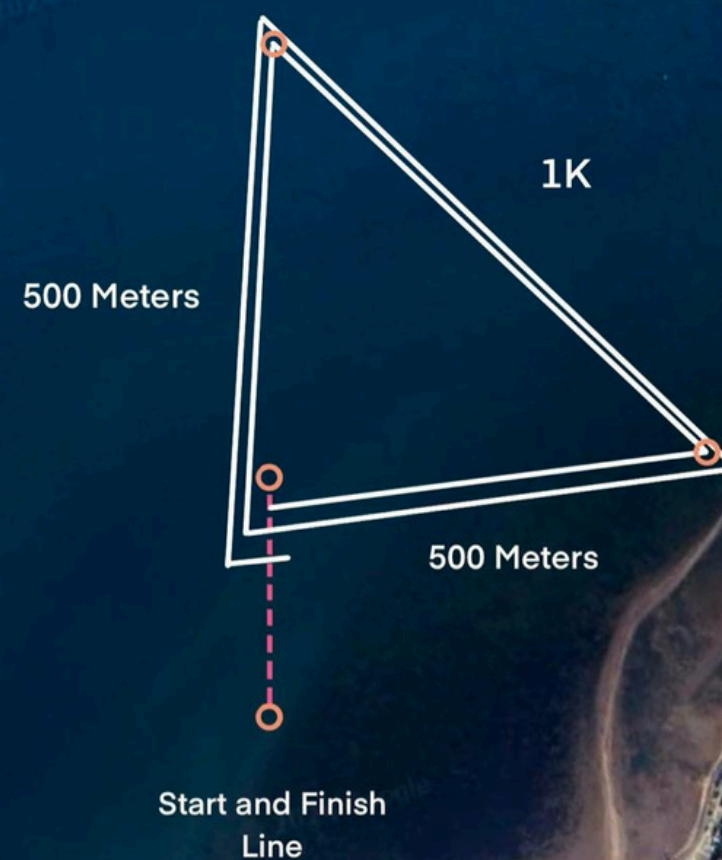
The short course is once around the 8KM circuit, all ama turns.

Finish line is left turn around buoy closet to shore finishing right hand side of buoy and between the marker or gazebo on the beach.



JUNIOR COURSE

Juniors U12 2K.
U14 4K, Dash x2
Circuits



The Junior Course is twice around a 2KM circuit for U14 age group ama turns.

The Mighty Minnows will do ama turn around first buoy return to start 1K, and rest before carrying on to finish second leg total of 2K.

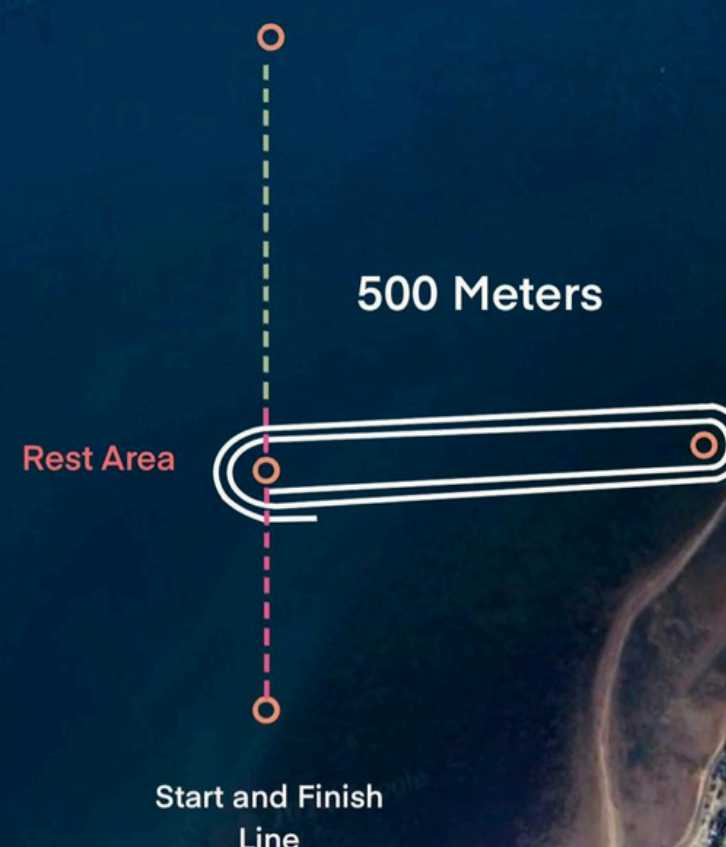
Start & finish line is the lower section of start line. ama turns.

Finish is turn left crossing start & finish line.

Keep moving past finish and exit non ama turn and move to the beach.

Mighty Minnows 1K Circuit

- Rest after 1K
- Repeat course
- Total 2k



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Long Course 16K 8K Circuit x2



Junior Course & 4K Dash 2K Circuit x2 U12 - U14



PARKING / VENUE



All Small Craft can access site just past Talobilla Waka AMA Club on the grass area for scrutineering.

All Small Crafts to have a spare paddle, leg leash or body leash.

VI to have a bailer as well.

All paddlers to wear their PFD.

After race, Small crafts can be brought back up to grassed area.



SAFETY

Mandatory safety regulations apply as per the AO Rules and Maritime Queensland. All crafts are scrutineered prior to the race and must have all required equipment in and on their craft to be signed off to race.

Non-compliance will result in a DQ.

FOLLOWING SAFETY REQUIREMENTS -

OC6

6 X PFD

2 X Bailers

1 X spare Paddle (minimum)

Racing covers.

OC1, OC2, VI

1 X Leg Leash or Waist Leash

1 x Spare Paddle

VI X 1 Bailer

All Paddlers to wear their PFD. (No self inflatable).

FIRST AID

First Aid Tent and Medical Officer available in Tent beside the Registration Tent.

A fleet of support boats will operate during the event and are equipped with standard First Aid, tow ropes and a Defibrillator. All queries/incidents are to be directed to the Medic Officer on site



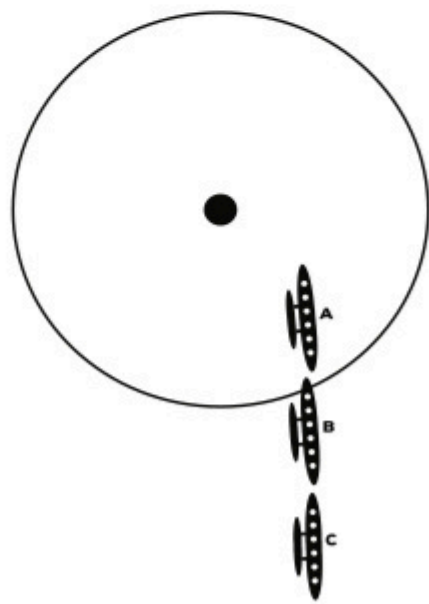
RIGHT OF WAY RULE

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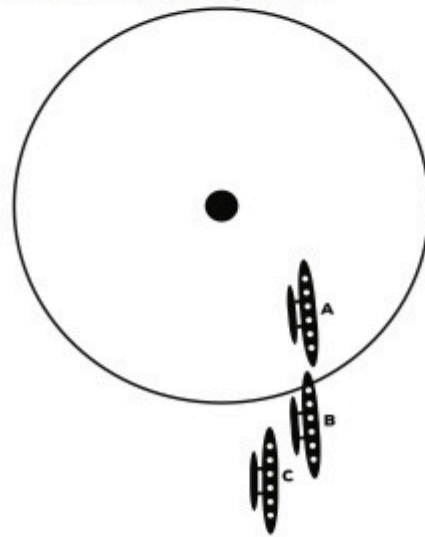
Figure 1 Diagram depicting examples of "right of way" rules with the circle depicting two canoe lengths.

(please note in the second example canoe c does not get right of way until they are within 2 canoe lengths of the turn).

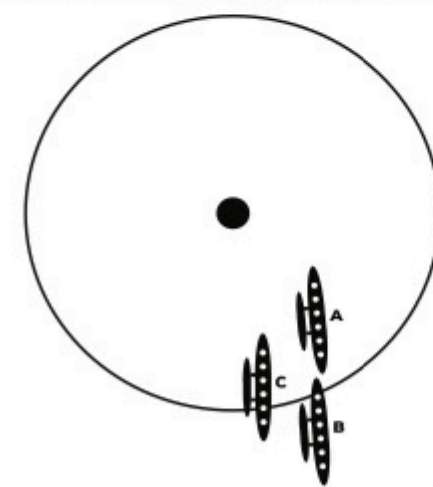
Boat **A** has right of way over **B** and **C**.
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Boat **A** has right of way over **B** and **C**.
Boat **B** must not impede **A** nor can Boat **C**
Boat **C** has right of way over Boat **B**
Boat **B** must not impede **C**



Boat **C** has right of way over both **A** and **B**
Boat **A** has right of way over **B**
Boat **A** must not impede **C**
Boat **B** must not impede either **A** or **C**



SPECIFIC RULES FOR CLUB POINTS

Apply all the AOCRA Rules and in particular

- Eligibility
- Age categories and a host club may offer a short and long course race for :Aggregate Women, Aggregate Mixed and Aggregate Men age categories.
- Minimum of three nominations in a race to enable allocation of points.

However, the Points Ambassador may use their discretion and allocate points to team where the Zone do not have enough Teams, eg Platinum.

- The unlimited OC6 waka Open Women, Mixed and Men are an eligible category to race inline with eligibility as discussed above.
- Senior Mixed teams apply the 3 x female and 3 x male combination - sections/s xx
- Junior Mixed teams may have a 3 x female and 3 x male or a 4 x female and 2 x male combination.
- Clubs with less than 12 members will confirm with SQ Zone pre-season which club (another club with 12 or less members) they will partner with to facilitate club transfers and form club teams.
- When clubs have members not available on the day to race due to an emergency, the Club Head Coach will -

Coach and or Committee Member are required to

- Write an email to the SQ Zone secretary and registrar discussing the situation to be given an exemption and approval to swap the unavailable club member for another bone fide club member (current and financial AOCRA member and club) and seek out an SQ Zone President or Vice President in person on the day well in advance as practical to explain the situation and agree on replacement.
- All will go to the Registration Tent and confirm with the Race Director if required and have the Host Registrar check the replacement member AOCRA ID and Club to be of current status and update the Team Sheet accordingly.
- Failure to follow this process will result in no club points allocated for the club and team.

- When a Club Coach and Registrar would like to nominate a Junior for a Senior Team, an email with an explanation and all the appropriate paperwork needs to be signed and forwarded to the Zone Secretary and Registrar within 7 days of the Registration of the team.

2023-2024 Zone Race Rules

1. Start line and turning buoy infringements receive a time penalty of 5 minutes. This is initiated by an event official.
2. Poor sportsmanship where a waka impeded another waka resulting in damage is a DQ. This is initiated by an event official or written protest by competing individual or team - or similar wording.
3. All competitors are to wear their club uniform for Club Challenge racing in all individual races and team races. However, in Team races 60+, 70+ and Juniors may wear their own club uniform rather than the nominating club. This is initiated by an event official and or SQ Zone committee, Failure to wear the correct club uniform will result in no club points allocated for the club and team.
4. All paddlers are to have done their Huli and Swim Tests and passed. As being competent. If a paddler cannot swim and or tread water, they are required to wear a PFD while racing.
5. At the 2024 SQ Zone Championships, there is no aggregate age for team racing.

AOCRA Refund Policy effective 30 November 2021

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 Event 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@aocra.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 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..

