





## NORTHERN BEACHES OUTRIGGER CANOE CLUB

## INVITES YOU TO THE 2021 SYDNEY HARBOUR OUTRIGGER CANOE RACE

## Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> March CLONTARF RESERVE SYDNEY, NSW









# Race Rules & Safety

## All AOCRA rules and regulations will be enforced, as per the AOCRA Regatta Rules

**Conditions of Eligibility** Competitors must be a financial member of an AOCRA affiliated club and a current registered competitor with AOCRA Inc.

**U16 Junior Participation** is allowed in the following divisions, Young Guns, U21 and Opens. All U16's will be required to ask permission from AOCRA to participate **prior** to online registration. Parental permission forms and information regarding level of experience must be supplied and sent to secretary@aocra.com.au

Women racing in Men's crews must ask for permission from AOCRA prior to online registration.

### Registration

One nominated person from each team is required to attend the registration tent on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March between 12noon – 6pm to sign in and register their team and canoe number, collect t-shirts. Individual competitor registrations and armband tagging will only be available on the morning of the race. **On race day** all competitors must register individually with ID and have your armband applied prior to racing. Individual registration will be open from 05.00am on race day Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> March. Each paddler must sign in using QR code or manually using the sheet provided,

Your team captain is responsible for turning on your phone app Yacht Bot tracker and placing it on your canoe whilst racing. The scrutineers will be checking that your phone Yacht Bot race tracker is turn on and in your canoe. No Yacht Bot race tracker – No Race.

#### **Please Note**

No team registrations will be accepted on Saturday. Individual registrations will only be accepted for the first race of the day between 05.00am to 06.30am to be ready for a 07.00am start.

Subsequent individual registrations for remaining races will then be accepted after 06.30am only.

# Race Course Information

## OC6 22km Long Course – (Mixed, Women's & Men's)

Teams will start from Clontarf and head around a buoy at Middle Head, following the Western shore of Sydney Harbour passing around Bradley's Head, heading towards a buoy at Taronga Zoo. Then proceeding past Kirribilli House and Sydney Opera House and then under the Sydney Harbour Bridge to a buoy (ama turn) off Luna Park in Lavender Bay. The reverse for the return leg. In the event of rough seas the course will be changed at the race director's discretion to the alternate course and to comply with AOCRA and RMS rules. (see map)

## OC6 11km Short Course – 2 Laps (Mixed,

Women's & Men's)

Teams will complete 2 laps starting from Clontarf and head towards a buoy off Cobblers Beach, ama turn towards a buoy located off Middle Head, ama turn passing Grotto Point and back to start at Clontarf Mandatory for all Races All OC6 canoes must have storm covers, 6 life jackets – to be worn or carried, 2 bailers, 25m tow rope and at least 1 spare paddle. All canoes must be 130+kg as per AOCRA race rules.

Scrutineers will be checking to ensure all mandatory equipment as above is carried – including Yacht Bot race tracker.

No Ultra Light canoes.

# Nomination Information

All Team Nominations must be done by a club, not an individual, at www.aocra.com.au by 11pm Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> Feb 2021. Note: It is not possible to nominate on the day. If you are having trouble with the online registration through AOCRA please email support@aocra.com.au

Clubs Nominations due 11pm Saturday 27<sup>h</sup> Feb 2021 LATE ENTRIES WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED AT THE DISCRETION OF THE RACE COMMITTEE PROVIDED THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CANOES PER RACE HAS NOT EXCEEDED OUR AQUATIC LICENCE LATE ENTRY FEE COST \$150 PER TEAM

Team Nominations due Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2021 Race Fees OC6 Long Course AUD \$600 per team/canoe Race Fees OC6 Short Course AUD \$300 per team/canoe Race Shirts provided will be from past SHC races and although we will endeavor to supply all competitors with a shirt, some sizes may be limited. If you do not want to race in the shirts provided or want to bring your own Club Race shirts or previous SHC race shirts, in case of supply shortage you may do so under the following rules.

All Team members must wear the same colour shirt.

Only Fluoro Colours will be accepted - either green, orange, pink, yellow or red. Once nominations have been received you will be sent

forms that must be filled out. This will include canoe numbers for Yacht Bot preparations and shirt sizing. We will do our best to supply you with your requested shirt sizes.

### Age Divisions

The age divisions are based on calendar year of competitors.

**Mixed Races** – U21, Open, Masters (40's), Senior Masters (50's), Golden Master (60's) & Platinum Master (70's) Note: there must be more than four teams to make a division for medals

Men & Women Races – Young Gun, Open, Master, Senior Master, Golden Master, Platinum Master. Note: there must be more than four teams to make a division for medals.

### REFUNDS AND CANCELLATION POLICY

In the event of the regatta cancellation due to weather conditions, other unforeseen circumstances (including border closures) or COVID-19 restrictions, NBOCC will refund a 75% of the race fee portion. It is the clubs understanding that a refund of AOCRA and NSW Zone portion of fees are at their discretion.

# **Event Schedule**

Times are approximate and we ask paddlers to be ready prior to briefing times indicated. Race officials reserve the right to change any factors of the event for operational requirements

### FRIDAY 12th March:

12 noon-1800: Team Registration open – collection of team race pack (One team member must attend & sign intention to race & advise Canoe No)

#### SATURDAY 13<sup>th</sup> March:

0500 - 0630: Registration open – race canoe number confirmation required. Collection of Yacht Bot by Team Captain. Armbands fitted & ID checked for all paddlers racing.
0630 Registration closed for 1<sup>st</sup> Race.
0645: Briefing for First Long Course Race
0700: Start First Long Course Race

Please note, due to Covid conditions, we are unable to predict the number of entries that will be received until close of entry on 27 February 2021. We are also restricted to a max/min number of canoes per race by Aquatic License (NSW Waterways). As such, we will not be able to put out a final full event schedule until a few days after close of entries. We therefore ask that all long course paddlers regardless of category or division, be prepared for a possible 0700 start time.

We will announce official start times for all divisions and categories once all entries are received. Therefore, we strongly suggest if you are travelling from outside the Sydney metro area to race you arrive in the area by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March.

If current Covid conditions allow, we will hold a short race briefing before each race, **only steerers are able to attend.** 

We will be holding for all paddlers Friday 18.00 pm via internet using Google Hangout/Zoom. A link will be sent to all paddlers prior. We strongly urge all paddlers to attend this online briefing for your **OWN SAFETY AND INFORMATION**.

# Prizes & Giveaways

## THOUSANDS OF \$\$\$\$\$ IN PRIZE MONEY AND SPONSORS GIVEWAYS!!

Cash prizes will only be awarded to FIRST PLACE for all long course divisions where the long and short course divisions following criteria is met:

Minimum of 5 teams entered in a division

Medals for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> will be awarded for all

There will also be random lucky paddler giveaways from our sponsors during the event









# Other Important Information

SITE LOCATION:	Clontarf Reserve – corner of Holmes Ave and Monash Crescent, Clontarf – see map
PARKING:	Paid Parking available within Clontarf Reserve unless you have a current Northern Beaches Council Parking Permit. Free canoe trailer parking for Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> and Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> is provided
	Limited Free Street Parking is available, however, please ensure you are legally parked at all times – the rangers are extremely vigilant.
TOILETS:	Toilets are available a short walk from the race site – within the reserve
FOOD/DRINK:	Kiosk is located a short walk within the reserve
ACCOMMODATION:	A variety of types/costs of accommodation available on the Northern Beaches. Manly is your closest accommodation hub. <u>www.manlyaustralia.com.au/accommodation</u>
FIRST AID:	First aid will be available on site at the tent provided

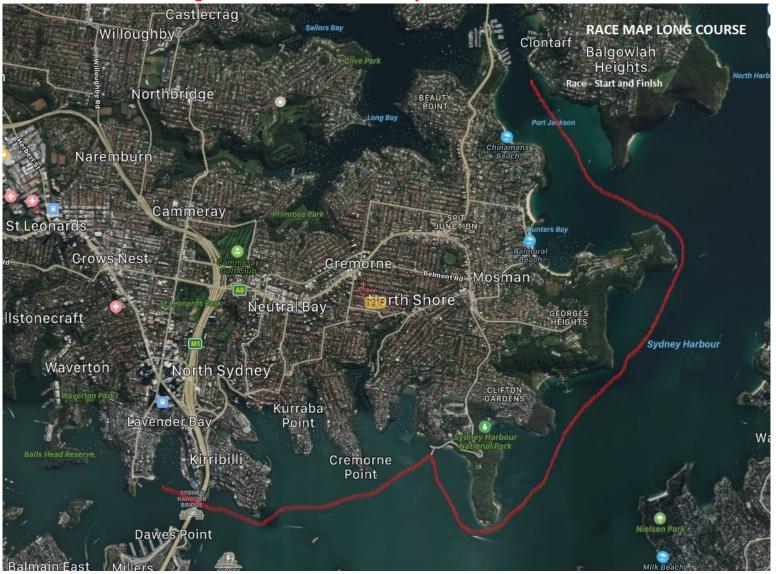
## PADDLERS LOOKING FOR A SEAT OR TEAMS NEEDING A PADDLER CONTACT RACE CORDINATOR GRANT HUGHES ON 0411 645 350 OR shazzle1@tpg.com.au

# Site Map

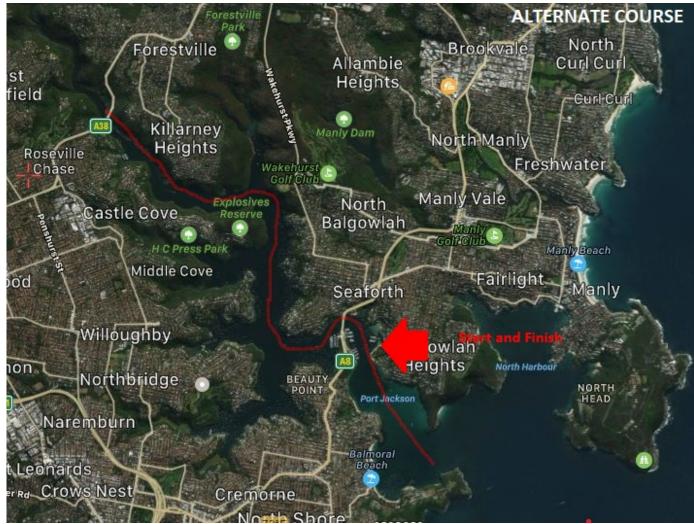


# Long Course Map

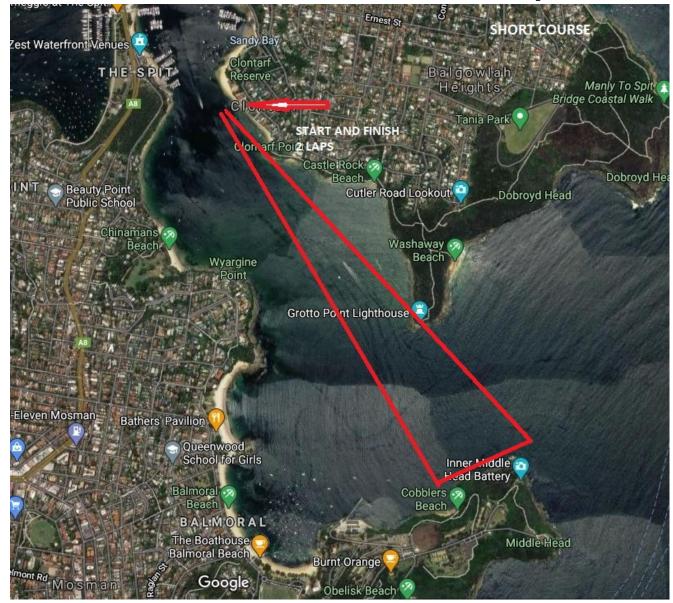
Attendance at briefings for steerers is mandatory for confirmation of the final race course



# Alternate Long Course Map



# Short Course Map



# Canoe Trailer Parking Unloading, Loading, Rigging

**Unloading Trailers:** We are under strict guidelines for the movements of trailers and canoes and overnight storage.

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March:** Trailers will need to be booked in with the trailer coordinator the week prior. Approx arrival times will need to be provided. No Trailers will be accepted on Saturday after 6.15 am. Canoes paddled in from local clubs will be directed to the canoe storage area in front of Clontarf reserve on the beach and above the high tide line.

The Site: On arrival please report to the trailer parking and canoe unloading coordinators. Follow the trailer road maps below for the easiest and safest access to the Clontarf. Trailers will be directed to unload canoes at the boat ramp (see Site Map) and placed onto beach for rigging, then the trailer will be directed to the Free parking location. Please note only paid parking is available on site for cars unless a Northern Beaches permit sticker is held. Street parking may be available however it is your responsibility to ensure you are parked legally for the duration of your stay.

#### Parking Coordinators:

Trevor Groeneveld - 0418 246580, trevor@ghgdevelopment.com.au David Grubb – 0412 261077, david@davidgrubb.com.au **Re-Loading Trailers** will only commence at the completion of the last race on Saturday. The loading coordinators will direct the loading and removal of canoes from the event area in Clontarf. All trailers must be removed by 19.00 PM on Saturday night. NO TRAILER STORAGE ON SITE IS PERMITTED AFTER THIS TIME. FINES COULD APPLY BY COUNCIL RANGERS AFTER THIS TIME.

**Before your club** can go on the loading schedule you must:

## 1. Have your canoe de-rigged and ready to load

2. Have enough people to assist loading You will then be directed by the official coordinators to collect your trailer and bring it to the loading area.

Please be patient and cooperative with the trailer/parking controllers and expect possible delays. Abuse towards these official coordinators will not be tolerated under any circumstances and will be severely dealt with by AOCRA.

# Canoe Loan – Hirers and Lenders

**Hirers** - Teams wishing to hire a canoe can do so via the Club nomination process under Club Extra at a cost of \$200 per canoe for long course and \$100 per canoe for short course. We will do our best to accommodate your request. The earlier your request for hire the better chance we able to provide a canoe.

However, we cannot promise the type of canoe you request will be available. Priority will be given clubs travelling from greater distances from Clontarf and outside of the NSW Zone.

You will be expected to help with the unloading, rigging or loading of the canoes that you use. Please respect the craft and take extreme care while it is in your possession.

**Lenders** – You will receive \$200 per canoe per race for long course and \$100 per canoe for short course. You will need to supply the canoe with covers, bailers and lifejackets (these should be clearly marked with your club name).

If your club loans a canoe directly to a team for a race could you please notify us so we take this canoe out of the canoe pool for that event.

# **Discover The Northern Beaches**

Discover beachside adventures and aquatic wonder in the Northern Beaches and Manly.

**Just a ferry trip** across sparkling Sydney Harbour, you'll find Manly's buzzing waterside bars, cafes, restaurants and the famous tall pines that line iconic Manly Beach.

Learn to surf with a surf school at this golden stretch, where the first world's surfing contest was held.

Explore Manly's crystal-clear coves and meet marine life on a dive tour or hire a kayak and stand-up paddleboard.

Dive Centre Manly offers lessons for beginners and guided dives for experienced divers.

**Picnic** on the promenade under the pines or take a scenic walk south to lovely Fairy Bower Pool and Shelly Beach.

Nearby you'll find ancient Aboriginal rock engravings.

# **Covid Responsibilites**

This Race Event will adhere to COVID safe requirements as per current Government regulations on the day.

**Northern Beaches Outrigger** is a COVID safe approved Club and has a COVID Race Day Officers and Management Plan in place. This regatta has a Covid Safe Risk Management Plan and will adhere to COVID safety requirements as per current Government Regulations. Only clubs approved by AOCRA NSW Zone with a Covid Safe plan in place and nominated and an attending Covid Safety race Coordinator may attend this regatta.

**Official Covid-Safe Marshalls** will be roaming the race site and will be easily identified with a Hi-Vis vest. The Covid Safety Marshall will ensure adherence to regulations including social distancing, hand sanitizing and cleaning of canoes prior to and after each race.

All clubs must appoint a dedicated Covid-19 Safety Coordinator. The name of the officer must be included in the 'comments' section of the Crew Nomination. The nominated Covid-19 Safety Coordinator must be at the race site for the duration of the whole club's attendance and will be responsible for ensuring all club members adhere to safety guidelines and recommendations (i.e. all competitors and supports must check-in to the race site, wear a competitor wrist band for the duration of the race day and adhere to social distancing requirements). Full responsibilities will be provided at the race briefing. If a club fails to nominate a Covid-19 Safety Coordinator, they will not be eligible to attend.

**Teams must** remain in their own groups where possible and maintain social distancing at all times.

**Team Registration** a race registration tent will be positioned at Clontarf Reserve – see Site Map.

**Race briefings** will occur on the day if possible for steerers only. Max 40 people. On Friday at 18.00pm we will be holding a race briefing for all paddlers via internet using Google Hangout/Zoom. A link will be sent to all paddlers prior. We strongly urge all paddlers to attend this online briefing for your OWN SAFETY AND INFORMATION.

**Sanitisation** of all equipment must be done before and after each race with spray or wipes. This is the responsibility of each crew and their appointed Covid-19 Safety Coordinator.

Do not enter this race site if you have a fever, cough, sore throat, runny nose or shortness of breath; have travelled overseas or in a 'self-isolate and tested' area; have been in contact with a suspected or confirmed case of Covid-19 in the last 14-days.

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