



# COFFS COAST OUTRIGGER CANOE CLUB INVITES YOU TO THE DOUBLE HEADER 2018/19 SOUTH QLD ZONE - OC6 MARATHON REGATTA #2 -OC1/2 & V1 REGATTA #5 SATURDAY NOVEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup> & SUNDAY NOVEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>

VENUE: JETTY BEACH, MARINE DRIVE, COFFS HARBOUR

### Welcome from the President

#### Dear Paddlers

Coffs Coast Outrigger Canoe Club invites and welcomes you to join us for the next race in the South Queensland Zone Grand Prix series of OC6 Marathons, and OC1/2 & V1 series Marathons to be held on Saturday & Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> November 2018 at the Jetty precinct in sunny Coffs Harbour.

The OC6 event will be staged from in front of the Coffs Harbour Yacht Club, Marina Drive, Coffs Harbour. OC6 Canoe launching will be from the northern end of the beach, and trailer parking after unloading is back towards the railway line.

The program will run in accordance with the AOCRA Regatta and Training Rules. It will provide the opportunity for paddlers to refocus and start to build up to the National Marathon Titles. As in all the South Queensland OC6 series this year the short course race is 8Km and the long will be 16Km.

The OC1/2 & V1 race will be the last opportunity to race prior to the National Titles in Port Macquarie. We aim to run both the short and long courses as downwinders with favourable conditions. We'll otherwise run similar course to Saturday's OC6 races.

The NSW Smoke-Free Environment Act has the effect of making the whole of the regatta area, particularly spectator areas, a SMOKE FREE AREA.

All nominations for this regatta must be completed on-line through the AOCRA website regatta entry page at <a href="www.aocra.com.au">www.aocra.com.au</a> Please ensure your club's early entry of nominations so we can plan for the day.

Food and drink will be available throughout the day and the Yacht Club will have the downstairs outside bar open by the end of the racing.

We will endeavour to run as close to time as possible, so competitors will need to ensure they are ready to go to their canoe well before the scheduled race time. I note we may adjust the program subject to entries - particularly juniors - to be as efficient as possible. CCOCC gives notice we will reserve the right to amend or withdraw junior races subject to conditions on the day. It is unlikely this will occur, however we strongly stand by the promotion of a safe environment for all paddles and their safety will always come first.

We have several canoes available for use for some races, and will provide these to crews where possible. Please BYO spare paddles, bailers, tow ropes and PFDs.

It should be a great day racing and we look forward to you, your teams and your Club members joining us for this SQ Zone OC6 & OC1/2 & V1 marathon regatta for 2018/19.

Regards
Andrea Baillie
President
Coffs Coast Outrigger Canoe Club

### **RACE PROGRAM**

# Program for Saturday 24th November 2018

Please note: Program is subject to change depending on nominations and conditions. All times are approximate

and we ask that all paddlers listen for announcements and are ready to race.

High 09:43 am Low Tide: 16:07 pm Local time Local time

Event	Time	Detail I	Distance
	6:30 AM	Registration Open	
	7:00 AM	Support Boats Briefing	
	7:15 AM	Long Course Briefing	
Race 1	7:30 AM	Womens / U19 Girls / Mixed Long Course Start	
Race 2	9:00 AM	Mens & U19 Boys Long Course Start 16	
	10:00 AM	Race Briefing for All Juniors Races	
Race 3	10:15 AM	12 Under Mixed Start	2 kms
Race 4	10:45 AM	16 Under Mixed Start	6 kms
Race 5	11:45 AM	Minnows Mixed Start	1km
Race 6	12:00 PM	14 Under Mixed Start	4 kms
Race 7	12:30 PM	Minnows Mixed Start	1km
	12:45 PM	Race Briefing for Short Course Races	
Race 8	1:00 PM	Women / U16 Girls / Young Guns / 8 km Novice Womens Start	
	1:15 PM	Junior Medal Presentations	
Race 9	2:00 PM	Men / U16 Boys / Mixed / Young Guns / Novice Men / Novice Mixed Start /19 Under Mixed	8 kms
	3:00 PM	Novice Long Course / Short Course Presentations	
	3:15 PM	End of Program	

- The order of the two Short Course races maybe reversed, a decision will be made on the day depending on entries
- . All times are approximate and subject to change all races may start early depending on junior entries

#### **Program for Sunday 25th November 2018**

Please note: Program is subject to change depending on nominations and conditions. All times are approximate

and we ask that all paddlers listen for announcements and are ready to race.

High Tide: 10:28 am local time

Low Tide:

16:58 pm local time

Event	Time	Detail	Distance
	6:30 AM	Registration Open	
	7:00 AM	Support Boats Briefing	
	7:15 AM	Short Course Briefing	
Race 1	7:30 AM	Short Course Race Start - Seniors, U19 V1/OC1/OC2/Sup/Ski	8 kms
	8:30 AM	Race Briefing for Junior/Novice Races	
Race 2	8:45 AM	U14 - V1/OC1, U12 - OC2, AP's	4 kms
Race 4	9:45 AM	U16 - V1/OC1, U14 - OC2, Novice - V1/OC1/OC2	6 kms
Race 5	11:00 AM	U12 - V1/OC1	2 kms
	11:45 AM	Race Briefing for Long Course Races	
Race 6 12:30 PM		Long Course Race Start - Seniors V1/OC1/OC2/Sup/Ski	16 kms
	Post long	Novice Long Course / Short	
	course start	Course Presentations	
	3:15 PM	End of Program	

IMPORTANT - Life Jackets must be worn in NSW. This means the inflatable waist life jackets aren't suitable but the horse shoe inflatables are and of course the regular PFD's are perfect.

#### RACE DIVISIONS

SHORT COURSE					
MEN	WOMEN	MIXED			
U16 BOYS	U16 GIRLS	UNDER 19			
YOUNG GUNS	YOUNG GUNS	NOVICE			
NOVICE	NOVICE	OPEN			
OPEN	OPEN	MASTER			
MASTER	MASTER	SENIOR MASTER			
SENIOR MASTER	SENIOR MASTER	GOLDEN MASTER			
GOLDEN MASTER	GOLDEN MASTER	PLATINUM			
PLATINUM	PLATINUM				

LONG COURSE					
MEN	WOMEN	MIXED			
U19 BOYS	U19 BOYS	OPEN			
OPEN	OPEN	MASTER			
MASTER	MASTER	SENIOR MASTER			
SENIOR MASTER	SENIOR MASTER	GOLDEN MASTER			
GOLDEN MASTER	GOLDEN MASTER	PLATINUM			
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The AOCRA **Minnows** category (B.3.4.4. Minnows Age Category) and competition Rules are:

- must have turned 8 years of age in the racing year but no older than 10 years of age in the racing year,
- Minnow crews will be mixed only with minimum number of 2 Girls (paddlers) per crew,
- distance of 1km,
- must be held in protected waters,
- must have an OC2 canoe paddle beside them with adults, (in addition to normal support boat requirements), NOTE: Support paddlers may follow or paddle alongside (not lead) Minnow crews. Support paddlers following or paddling alongside Minnow crews shall not cross the finish line before the end of the race.
- must have an experienced passive steerer (no younger than 16U),
- Coaches to sign off that the Minnows have had flip practice and swim test,
- all Minnows must wear Maritime Safety approved flotation devices regardless of swimming ability.
- The end of the race will be when the last crew has crossed the finish line.

The **Young Guns** division is a combination of three (3) experienced and competent junior paddlers from the 16&U and/or 19&U age divisions, plus three (3) senior paddlers, although each crew can have up to four (4) junior paddlers and two (2) senior paddlers. Young Guns must be all male or all female.

The juniors must be granted approval by their parent or guardian, and a coach must agree that they have the ability to compete in the senior race divisions.

The **Novice** division is a combination of at least four (4) first or second year paddlers (novices) plus a maximum of two (2) experience paddlers one of which must be the steerer.

#### FEES & NOMINATION INFORMATION

NOMINATIONS CLOSE: midnight 18th (Sunday) November 2018

Senior OC6: \$20.00 per paddler Junior OC6: \$10.00 per paddler

**Late Nominations:** The SQ committee have decided that nominations made after the advertised midnight cut off will incur a \$100 late fee (\$ 50 for Juniors). In addition any Race Director has the discretion to not allow late registrations to paddle if he or she has concerns about paddler/support boat ratio.

Nominations must be lodged on line at

\*\* www.aocra.com.au \*\*

Nomination MUST be made before race day. It will not be possible to register on the day.

#### **MEDALS**

Medals will be awarded for places in all Junior, Novice and Young guns races.

**Minnows:** Both minnow's race times will be added together and then divided by 2. One set of medals will then be given to the overall winners of both races.

**Junior 16U and 19U Same Gender:** No medals will be given to this race category as it is a transition to senior division.

#### RULES AND REGULATIONS

- We will follow AOCRA's Regatta Rules
  - see the AOCRA website for the current Regatta and Training Rules (updated April 2018)
    - http://aocra.com.au/uploads/file/AOCRA%20Admin%20/Regatta%20and%20Training%20rules%20Updated%20March%202018%20v2.pdf
- Canoes may be scrutinised before racing starts. Covers, bailers, tow ropes and spare paddles are all required to be fitted. Canoes not meeting current AOCRA requirements will not be permitted to be used.

#### **ALTERNATIVE COURSES**

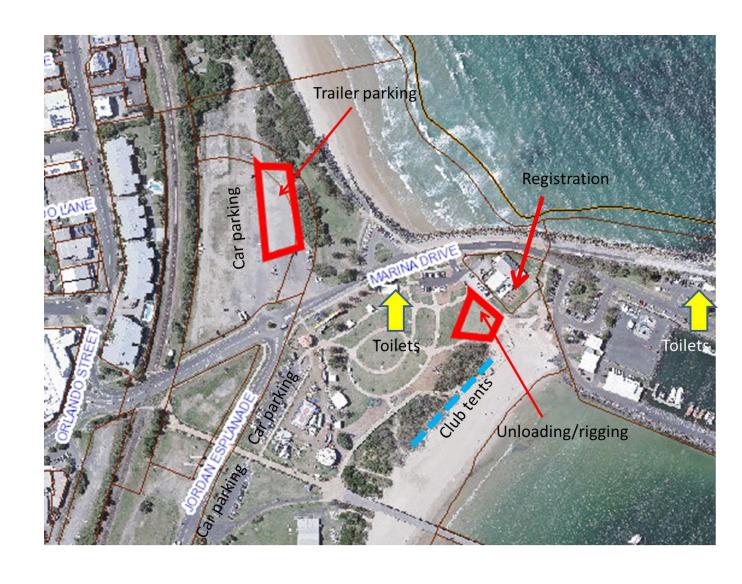
Alternative courses are available within the harbour should the open ocean be unsuitable, further alternative courses are also available if racing in the harbour is also not possible, so irrespective of the water conditions, racing will occur.

#### **CANCELLATION POLICY**

The club component of the registration fee will not be refunded in order to cover outof-pocket costs incurred.

#### **CANOE UNLOADING AND TRAILER PARKING**

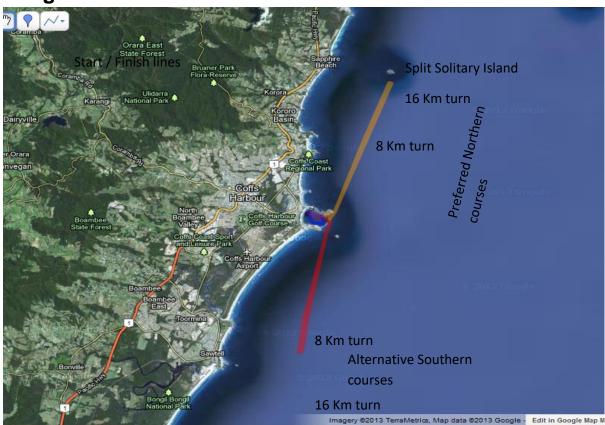
Canoe unloading and rigging can take place on the grass area directly adjacent to the south side of the yacht club before moving the canoes onto the beach. After unloading trailers then need to be moved to the parking area back along Marine Parade, through the round-about towards the railway crossing.



# **RACE COURSES**



### **Long & Short Courses**



# 2018/19 SQZ OC1/2 V1 Series Entry Prize Give Away

This year SQZ will be giving away an OC2 manufactured by Oceanswell.

Each entry in a series regatta gets an automatic ticket into the draw.

Drawn at Race 6 after function.

You must be at draw to win.

Open to financial members of SQZ clubs only.

The SQZ committee wishes you Good luck! Happy and Safe paddling

