

Dragon Boat Bulletin 1

AN PACIFIC MASTERS GAMES

Welcome all Clubs, Paddlers, Officials, Volunteers, Supporters, Families and Friends to the 2022 PPMG being held once again at Lake Orr, Christine Avenue, Varsity Lake.

Congratulations on being a part of THE BIGGEST DRAGON BOAT PANPACS yet! We have 30 clubs with nearly 1,100 competitors travelling from all round Australia plus our dragon boat community from New Zealand and Singapore.

RULES OF EVENT

- The AusDBF Competition Regulations & Rules, along with the PPMG By-Law that paddlers from various clubs can combine within the spirit of racing, will be strictly applied.
- These Regulations & Rules are located <u>here</u>

<u>ENTRY</u>

- All paddlers (including drummer and steerer) must register with PPMG and will be required to present their PPMG ID Tags in marshalling. THERE WILL BE NO TEMPORARY ID TAGS AVAILABLE.
- Some Crew Managers have entered 'everything'. However, after looking at the actual number of competitors registered there could be a lot of double rostering, which isn't permitted [see further below]
- To be able to create the race draw effectively, can each Crew Manager complete the attached form and email it to <u>dragonboat@mastersgames.com.au</u> 11.59pm [Qld time] Friday, 21 October 2022
- All crew lists must be emailed on the attached form no later than 5pm Sunday, 6 November 2022
 - Standard Boats no more than 26 names on a crew list and must all be different if you have entered either a Small boat or 2nd Standard boat in that category. This includes the drummer and sweep / steerer / helm.
 - Small Boats no more than 14 names on a crew list and must all be different if you have entered either a Standard boat in that category. This includes the drummer and sweep / steerer / helm.

BOATS BEING USED

- Champion standard boats are being used for both Small and Standard crews
- Two (2) fleets of boat are being used

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DOUBLE ROSTERING

- You cannot have paddlers, sweeps / steerers / helms or drummers backing up between categories
- Races will not be held for crews with double rostered paddlers, sweep / steerer / helm or drummer.
- In the past, crews who have double rostered have significantly delayed the race program and this will no longer be tolerated

MARSHALLING

- 2 fleets of Champion standard boats are being used
- This means that you must have at least a full race between to be able to make it through marshalling eg raced in R12 and next race is R14 you would make it through. However, if you were in R12 and R13, you wouldn't make it through and R13 will not be held for you.
- If you only have 1 race between, please ensure your Crew Manager, Captain or another designated person tells the Chief Marshal so that assistance can be given to get you through marshalling as quickly as possible
- A crew <u>must leave the shore immediately</u> upon direction by the Boat Loaders & travel straight to the start line with <u>no stopping</u>
- A crew must arrive at the start line <u>no later than 5 minutes after the last crew crossed the finish</u> in the race immediately prior to their race

RACE PROGRAM

• The Race Program has Mixed in the morning with Women and Opens that afternoon of the same race distance which has been found to remove the need for double

Morning	Mixed	40+ small
		40+ standard
		55+ small
		55+ standard
		Breast Cancer Survivors
Mid-Morning	Womens	40+ small
		40+ standard
		55+ small
		55+ standard
Afternoon	Opens	40+ small
		40+ standard
		55+ small
		55+ standard



- All categories have been offered but if entries are less than 3 in any given category, only 1 race will be scheduled
- Given our huge entry, we have a couple of plans due to daylight requirements:
 - PLAN A (preferred) follow the relevant Tail Plan for the number of entries in any given category.
 - PLAN B 3 rounds with accumulated times to ascertain our top 6 crews for the final
 - PLAN C (if still not enough daylight for Plan B) 3 rounds with accumulated times

You will be advised of what Plan has been achieved in the Draw when it is sent out the week of 24 October 2022

INSURANCE

• All participants must hold insurance for dragon boating. If you are from another paddling sport, or overseas please provide <u>a copy of your insurance policy specifically covering dragon boating in</u> <u>Australia</u> to <u>dragonboat@mastersgames.com.au</u> so that the sport organisers can confirm coverage.

PARKING

- As some of you are aware there is limited parking available at the venue for Dragon Boating.
- Therefore, we strongly urge you to carpool or hire a team bus/mini van to transport your team to and from the event.
- No team parking onsite is available except for Disable Parking.
- A Park and Ride will again be available and the final details being confirmed (address will be provided in Bulletin 2). It is planned that shuttle vans will run from 1 hour before 1st race to approx 9am and then again until approx 1 hour post finish. If you chat with our Shuttle
- Alternatively there is public transport available. A bus stop is located on Christine Ave approximately opposite the venue. The Translink bus service that runs in this area is 757 Reedy Creek to Burleigh Heads via Varsity Lakes and 765 The Pines Elanora to Robina Town Centre via Christine Avenue.

ONSITE VILLAGE

- Again Gold Coast Dragons (our hosts) will be operating a BBQ but if you want specific race food, please bring that with you
- Aldi Supermarket is only a 5 minute stroll from the venue
- There will also be a number of raffles and we thank everyone for their contribution

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