



Media Release

ALL IS SET FOR THE 2016 SOUTHERN 80

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The Southern 80 is all set to go on February 12th, 13th & 14th. The event which has been running since 1964 has attracted 449 entries this year.

The event starts on Friday 7am, with the Breakfast with the Stars at Kerribee Sound Shell in Moama. Here a range of boats and teams are available to sign posters and chat with the public.

10.30am will see the Southern 80 market at Moama Market Place. Here teams will have merchandise for sale, second hand skis, boats etc. for sale. The place to be to pick up a bargain.

Saturday will see the first of the boats on at the water at 9am, with Reactor towing Michael Kelly and Darren Purdom and they will be skiing on social skis from Five Mile Boat Ramp to the Victoria Park Finish Line.

Whilst the social classes are racing, the Total Tools Static Display will occur in the shopping district of Echuca (Hare Street), over 2 block between Anstruther & Darling streets. Here along with a range of race boats on displays will be an outside radio broadcast, interviews on the Club Marine Stage with some of the competitors who will be competing over the weekend.

Saturday afternoon racing starts at 2pm with the Beechworth Bakery Bakers Blitz and Merc Force will lead the field down the course in 2 minute intervals. The Bakers Blitz and President's Dash, finish positions determine the starting order for the Sunday afternoon of racing.

The Victoria Park Finish Line is the place to be. Entry is \$35 for a weekend pass or \$25 per day. Children under 14 are free entry. There is a courtesy bus, which will take race fans from the car park to the gate and return all day. The Finish Line is fully catered for and there is No BYO Alcohol or Dogs allowed in the area. There is a selection of food & drink outlets available to cater for a range of needs. The Children's area has a jumping castle, bucking bull and face painting for \$10 per day.

The big screen at the finish line will be showing footage from the race throughout the day. On Sunday afternoon there will also be footage from the start line and along the river so that the spectators can watch all the action.

Race Programs are now available online at www.southern80.com.au and outlets within Echuca / Moama. Download the Southern 80 Ski Race app from iTunes or Google Play to have up to date list of the competitors. On race day, the results will be displayed as they cross the line. For further information about the event go to www.southern80.com.au

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