Official Competitor Briefing Sheet.

Welcome to the 2014 Club Marine Southern 80 Ski Race.

- It is the Responsibility of each Driver and Observer to be familiar with all sections of this sheet. (Also if possible give to skiers to read too.)
- Penalties/Disqualifications will occur at the Discretion of the Chief Judge if these rules are not adhered to for the duration of the Southern 80 Ski Race.
- Failure to Obey Officials in any area will result in Penalties.
- Abuse of Officials will result in Disqualification. Per SRA Rule:2.14
- The Southern 80 is run under SRA Rules and MWSC Conditions of Entry. Please refer to entry form for MWSC Conditions of Entry.

River Closures.

Saturday Morning 8th-: From Torrumbarry Weir to Vic Park Boat Ramp.  Time 6 am-11.30am
Saturday Afternoon 8th-: Goldsbrough Road 4 km downstream of 5 Mile Ramp to Vic Park Boat Ramp  Time 11 am -6 pm
Sunday 9th-: From Torrumbarry Weir to Vic Park Boat Ramp  Time 6am-6pm

Briefings.

Will be Held at MWSC Offices in Annesley St on Friday 7th February 2014. They will run every 40 min. Starting at 11.00am. Briefings will run for ½ an hour. You Must Sign for attending.

All Drivers and Observers must attend and sign attendance at Briefings. (MWSC encourages skiers to also attend.)

NO SIGNATURE - NO START.

If you are unable to attend on Friday, you MUST see officials at Start Line prior to your first race and arrange to view briefing. ALLOW AN EXTRA HOUR.

Remember your whole team will be Breath Tested Prior to competing in any Race over the whole weekend. SRA Rule: 6.1. You will be tested prior to Every Race. You must produce your SRA Membership card each time you are breath tested. Report to officials at start areas to be tested, prior to entering the water.

All skiers are to produce their helmets at breath testing as per SRA Rule 8:12.

SRA membership card is also required to be presented with helmet.
Launching Procedure – Torrumbarry Boat Ramp

Drive Slowly. There will be Marshals and other Traffic on the road.

1. Co-Operate with Officials.
2. Give-way to boats called forward if requested to do so. Your turn will come.
3. Ropes to be set up in preparation area along the side of the road only.
4. Competitor Stickers must be displayed at all times.
5. Trailer to be moved out of the area immediately the boat is in the water. Have all your gear in the boat. Trailer Crews who do not obey directions from Marshals will be deemed as a crew member and that crew will be dealt with at the finish line by the Chief Judge.
6. Be early. No preference will be given to teams that are late.
7. Competitors will be responsible for launching of their own boats.
8. ABUSE OF ANY OFFICIAL BY ANY CREW MEMBER WILL MEAN INSTANT DISQUALIFICATION.
9. ABUSE OF ANY OFFICIAL BY A PERSON WHO IS ASSOCIATED WITH ANY RACE TEAM WILL BE DEEMED PART OF THAT BOATS CREW AND SAME PENALITIES WILL APPLY.
10. Crew members in separate cars are not permitted in trailer line and must obey officials and go to general car park, then walk to boat ramp. So have your gear in the boat.

11. Wrist Bands must be worn by all competitors to gain entry to main compound at Finish Line.

**NO BAND NO ENTRY. NO EXCEPTIONS**

**Warm Ups.**

You may warm up slowly and carefully away from the start area. Competitors who cause problems in this area will be disqualified.

*NO ALCOHOL ALLOWED IN BOATS DURING COMPETITION. NO CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL IS ALLOWED UNTIL BOAT IS REMOVED FROM THE WATER...*

**RACE PROCEDURE [pre start]:**

Up to date start lists can be viewed at each start line prior to racing.

**Hooter will sound at 10 minutes to start.**

**FLAGS -**

- **GREEN & NATIONAL** 5 MINUTES TO START
- **GREEN DOWN** 30 SECONDS TO START
- **NATIONAL (AUSTRALIAN)** START

Skiers in the water

The first boat away in each session will get the National Flag. All others will get a green flag.

**Start:**

Odd Numbers start on Left side of River. Even numbers start on Right side of River.

The drop of the green flag for the boat prior to you is your ONE MINUTE call. The Green flag will then go up at 30 Seconds, This is your signal to drop your skiers into the water and run out your ropes. Keep engine idling and wait for countdown.

**DO NOT DROP SKIERS IN UNTIL 30 SEC FLAG.**

**DO NOT CROSS THE START LINE.**

**PENALITIES WILL APPLY FOR BREACH OF THIS.**

Call will be 15 sec, 10 sec call 5..4..3..2..1..GO !!! If you drop your skier, odd numbers circle to Left Bank. Even Numbers circle to Right bank. If a successful start is not made following 2 attempts, the competitor must either withdraw or move well away from start area. SRA Rule No 11.15(c)

Please Note: Team Captains will receive a sms message when class results are posted. Please ensure correct phone number is listed for team captains.
Racing:

Throughout the race, skiers are to ski no more than 2 metres outside the wash. (SRA rule 11.20 d) Do not proceed along the course unless you have (2) skiers in full race trim. If you are caught by another boat, move over to the right and let them pass. If you stop for any reason, you must display your orange flag. Breach of the above rules will incur penalties or disqualification; there are marshal boats along the course watching for infringements.

Remember: Drive in the middle of the river and to the conditions of the day to ensure safe racing.

There are Three very tight bends on the course; all three are on the Saturday & Sunday full Course and one on the Saturday short course. They all are at least 90°.

The first one for the full course is just after Perricoota Homestead, which approx 4 km upstream of Headworks Boat ramp (ramp No 3).

The second one is 2½ to 3km upstream of Thunderbird Boat ramp. (No 8)

The third one is just before Merool Sandbar.

We have placed in your eye line prior to these corners have a large orange marker in a tree approx 200 metres before corner, to assist with reminder.

They all have a safety boat just before them. These boats will wave yellow flags if necessary as well as have amber flashing light going if necessary to warn of fallen skiers and stopped boats.

Injuries: If you have an injured crew member-FOLLOW the prompts on Racesafe H2O first.

Wave your Medical Flag to the next boat. If you see a waving Medical Flag, signal to the next Marshal boat and report to the Race Coordinator at the Finish Line.

IF YOU HAVE A SERIOUS INJURED SKIER, CALL THE EMERGENCY NUMBER ON THE BOAT STICKER (1800 722 372) We have a paramedic standing By to assist when you call.

➢ Safety boats are instructed to report incidents, but are to remain on station unless ordered to attend by Race Control.

MWSC recommends that all teams use a Telstra Phone as this is the only provider that works the entire race course.
Retirement:
You must move to the nearest bank and **Stay there**.
You must **Immediately call boat recovery / emergency number** from Yellow sticker.

**THIS MUST BE YOUR FIRST CALL,** (1800 RACE SAFE -1800 722 372) Or TXT to 0429408683. Send Boat Name, Number and Class) **AND THEN CALL YOUR LAND CREW** or we can contact them for you and direct them to you.

You will be instructed by the sweep boat crew, as to which ramp your boat is to be recovered from at either the end of that part of the racing or the next racing break.

Your Crew will be called over the P.A at the finish line and **one member only** must report to the Information Centre at the Race Control Office where they will be given directions on where to find you by the Boat Recovery official.

**Failure to report in to Boat Recovery will mean INSTANT DISQUALIFICATION for THE WHOLE team for Sunday Racing if Saturday or the next event entered which is organised by MWSC, which could be 2014 Barrie Beehag Ski Race And/or 2015 Southern 80 Ski Race.**

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**Remember:-:** If you have an Injury - follow the prompts on your Racesafe H2O 
Then Call Emergency Number/Boat Recovery **Immediately** for assistance.  
1800 RACE SAFE (1800 722 372)

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**Finish Line – Victoria Park**

Drop early and team will receive 1 minute penalty

**Please note.** This map is a guide only, common sense is to prevail. If there are too many boats in the area of the Red Buoys and you may have to stop sooner, or proceed on past the Red Buoys. **This is a Safety precaution to ensure that those who have completed the Race are not in danger in the finish line area.** The Safety Officer will be observing the finish line procedure.

Finish Line.......................Chequered Buoys.
Slow Down.......................Green Buoys.
Prepare to Stop...................Yellow Buoys.
Stop..................................Red Buoys.
Lower your Skiers into the water on tight ropes. Then pull into boat. Do not go back. Skiers who fall after the line will be collected by a rescue boat. Boats are to idle in the retrieval lane...........Blue Buoys.

Skiers must not throw rope after crossing line.

**FINISH LINE:** Study the map above; and ask officials at start if you don’t understand it.

Line boats up in retrieval lane. You will be removed from the water in order. Trailer Crew to line up at collection point, (top of Ramp fenced area).

Tractors will collect your trailer, and your boat will be returned to the trailer park. Do not attempt to jump the queue, penalties will apply. **All crews are to obey parking officials**

**Race Day Reports**

At the end of racing each day teams need to complete the Race day report form and submit to Race Control by 6.00pm on the day of racing. If an incident occurs, an SRA INCIDENT form needs to be completed. Anyone requiring hospital treatment is also required to complete a NSW MARITIME report Form also. If Race day Reports are not handed in, race times will not be posted.

Please Note: Team Captains will receive a sms message when class results are posted. Please ensure correct phone number is listed for team captains.

**Protests:**

All protests must be in writing, on an Official Protest Form as per SRA Rules. Protests must be lodged within 30 minutes of posting of provisional results, as per SRA Rules. Protest Fee as per SRA Rule No 5.1. Maximum of two (2) team members to attend protest meeting.

Abuse of officials will mean instant disqualification.

Decision of Chief Judge is final.

**Post Race Scrutineering**

Engine Seals may be checked at the top of the ramp.
Launching Procedure for 5 Mile Ramp
See map for directions on Launch Procedures. (next Page)

All Crews are to Launch own Boats. As area is limited, please prepare your boat in the car park-please ensure that you are semi prepared before you arrive. Please park with consideration for others in this limited Parking area.

Only Boat and Trailers in this area, rest of team to park across road in spectator parking area. Load your equipment before entering launching area. No boat is allowed down ramp area till directed by an Official. PLEASE obey all officials’ directions.

As this area has undergone massive changes since last year, please follow directions from Officials. You must ensure all your equipment is in boat before you head down road to parking as NO extra vehicles will be allowed down. ONLY Vehicles with Boats.

Warm up.

Boats may warm up on the downstream side of the 5 mile ramp as far as Goldsbrough road. You are not to proceed past the orange buoys. You are required to warm up with extreme care.

Start, Racing & Injury procedures are as previously mentioned.

Retirement:
You must move to the nearest bank and Stay there.

You must immediately call boat recovery call Boat Recovery / Emergency Number from Yellow sticker. This must be your first call, 1800 RACE SAFE (1800 722 372) Or TXT to 0429408683. (Send Boat Name, Number and Class) then call your land crew.

You will be instructed by the sweep boat crew, as to which ramp your boat is to be recovered from at either the end of that part of the racing or the next racing break. Your Crew will be called over the P.A at the finish line and one member only must report to the Information Centre at the Race Control Office where they will be given directions on where to find you by the Boat Recovery official.

Failure to report to Boat Recovery will mean INSTANT DISQUALIFICATION for Sunday Racing if Saturday or the next event entered which is organised by MWSC, which could be either 2014 Barrie Beehag Ski Race And/or 2015 Southern 80 Ski Race. MWSC recommends that all teams use a Telstra Phone as this is the only provider that works the entire race course.

No alcohol allowed in boats during competition/ No consumption of alcohol is allowed until boat is removed from the water.

Keep up to date with all the latest Southern 80 information over the weekend with the Southern 80 phone app available from &
Only Vehicles towing Boats allowed to enter Roadway and Boat Parking area.
Presentation

Presentation for Saturday events will be held at end of days Racing in Vic Park Finish line compound.

Persons unsuitably dressed will not be allowed onto Presentation area i.e. shirts must be worn.

No Alcohol or drinks on Presentation Dias.

Team members MUST be in attendance at presentation, or prize money will be forfeited.

No speeches will be allowed except for outright winners and Memorial Trophy Winners only.

Please show consideration for Memorial Trophy Presenters if you are receiving a Memorial trophy.

Teams who are competing twice on Saturday afternoon and need priority on the ramp at Vic Park need to ask for a Ramp Priority Pass at Briefing/Scrutineering on Friday or from Officials at start line.

Remember-: If you have an Injury Call If you have an Injury follow the prompts on your Racesafe H2O Then Call Emergency Number/Boat Recovery **Immediately** for assistance.

1800 RACE SAFE (1800 722 372)

If you break down you also must call this number **Immediately. 1800 RACE SAFE (1800 722 372)**

Or 0429408683

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Always race to the conditions of the day.

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Sunday Start Procedures.
Torrumburry launch Procedure is same as Saturday morning.

Start, Racing, Injuries, procedures are as previously mentioned.

RETIREMENT:
You must move to the nearest bank and Stay there.
You must Immediately call Boat Recovery / Emergency Number from Yellow sticker.

**THIS MUST BE YOUR FIRST CALL, 1800 RACESAFE (1800 722 372) Or TXT to 0429408683.**
(Send Boat Name, Number and Class) THEN CALL YOUR LAND CREW.

You will be instructed by the sweep boat crew, as to which ramp your boat is to be recovered from at either the end of that part of the racing or the next racing break. Your Crew will be called over the P.A at the finish line and *one member only* must report to the Information Centre at the Race Control Office where they will be given directions on where to find you by the Boat Recovery official.

Failure to report to Boat Recovery will mean **Instant Disqualification the next event entered which is organised by MWSC, which could be either the 2014 Barrie Beehag Ski Race And/Or 2015 Southern 80 Ski Race. MWSC recommends that all teams use a Telstra Phone as this is the only provider that works the entire race course.**

Finish line, Protest & Post Race Scrutineering procedures are as previously mentioned.

Please Note: Team Captains will receive a sms message when class results are posted. Please ensure correct phone number is listed for team captains.

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Persons unsuitably dressed will not be allowed onto Presentation area i.e. shirts must be worn.

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Please show consideration for Memorial Trophy Presenters if you are receiving a Memorial trophy.
Sticker Placement Information Sheet

1 x Yellow Emergency/Boat Recovery Sticker
Place on Dash or somewhere where you can see it if it’s needed. *(MWSC recommends teams use a Telstra phone, as this is the only phone that has full coverage along course)*

1 x Club Marine Sticker- 
Place on Deck of the boat

2 x Large White Competitor Stickers- 
Place one on each side of the boat.

1x Small White Competitor Sticker – 
Place on boat trailer mudguard, Drivers side. 
* Ensure it is Visible to Security Please. *

1x Green Car Pass Sticker – 
Place on windscreen of Car that will be towing trailer, Drivers Side. 
* Ensure it is Visible to Security Please. *

5 x Blue Flame Wristband- 
1 x Trailer driver needs to be wearing this to ensure entry is allowed. 
1 x Driver, Observer, Skier, Skier- **ALL** need to wear a wrist band or no entry into Race compound. 

**No wristband- No Entry – No Exceptions**
(Wristbands are provided for each member of a team & trailer driver). 
**Not for your family and friends.**

Everyone within race compound (Finish Line area) needs a wrist band! 

**No wristband- No Stay – No Exceptions**

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Reminders.

Team Members Must be breath tested prior to each event they are competing in.

SRA membership card is required to be presented for breath testing.

All Skiers are to present their Helmets at breath testing as per SRA Rule No 8:12

MWSC suggests that teams carry a Telstra phone in their boat as this is the only phone that works along the entire course.

If you break down, you must call Boat Recovery on 1800 RACE SAFE (1800 722 372) or TXT to 0429 408 683. This MUST be your first call.

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to ask an official at Start or Race Control area.

The Committee of the Moama Water Sports Club wishes everyone a safe and successful 2014 Club Marine Southern 80.
2014 Club Marine Southern 80
Friday 7th February

Ski Racing Australia Information

- Is all of your team information correct?
- Are your teams licences current with SRA?
- Are your teams first aid & medicals current with SRA?
- Do all members of your team have correct licences for the job they are doing at the Southern 80?

Scutineering Information

- Has your boat been scrutineered since the 24th January 2014, with the Southern 80 Scrutineering form?
- Do you have your current log book?

Checking of team details

- Present your Southern 80 scrutineering form here.
- Check off your details of your team - we need the names of the team members as registered with SRA (pet names are not enough)

Sign for your race day pack

- You will need to sign for your race day pack and your wrist band entry for your team.
- You will be given a Southern 80 scrutineering sticker to go into your log book.

Collect your Race Safe H20 kit

- You will need to hand over your log book with your Southern 80 scrutineering sticker in it.
- You will be given your Race Safe H20 Device

Briefing

- All Drivers and observers are to attend briefing.