

## SOUTHERN 80 ON THE WATER.

Moama Water Sports is all geared up for the 2024 Southern 80 from February 9th to 11th.

We have been closely monitoring the state of the river and believe that all will be well for the 9<sup>th</sup> to the 11<sup>th</sup> of February for racing on the river.

We have 380 entries over the 40-plus classes entered for this year's race. There are 158 boats and around 800 competitors. They are coming from all over Australia, and a couple are from the USA.

Super class has 6 teams in it - including last year's winner Sapphire.

- Sapphire with skiers Aiden Cuff and Lachlan Nix
- Brimstone F1 with skiers Brad Williams and Tom Perry
- Supernova with skiers Cooper and Carter Robertson. (Carter is the current Men's World champion)
- Hellbent with skiers Cameron Nix and Jason Cartledge
- Superman with skiers Daniel Cotton and Daniel Graziano
- TR with skiers Jake Ellery and Jack Stevens.

We are looking forward to an exciting weekend of racing. We commence on Friday with Breakfast with the Stars at the Kerribee Soundshell in Moama. Here the boats and teams are on display, enjoying breakfast from Beechworth Bakery.

Saturday morning in Hare St. Echuca is a boat display in front of the American Hotel from 9 am to Midday. Whilst that is happening there is racing on the river between Five Mile Reserve Moama and Victoria Park. Starting at 8.30 am with the social classes going through to the Veterans, Under 10's and ending up at lunchtime with the Expert Shootout. Around 12.30 pm, a display in the trailer park at Vic Park of the Top 40 boats will be displayed as they prepare for the boat parade via water from Victoria Park to Five Mile starting at 1.30 pm.

At 2.30 pm, the Top 40 commence their runs down the river to determine their starting place for Sunday's Racing. Starting at boat 40 and finishing up with Boat 1- which is last year's winner Sapphire.

Sunday racing starts at 9 am with some age and speed classes. The 'big race' starts at 12.30 pm with the winner of the Bakers Blitz, first on the water, leading the rest of the expert classes home.

Tickets for the event can now be purchased via <a href="www.southern80.com.au">www.southern80.com.au</a>, and we look forward to welcoming all Echuca / Moama for a great weekend of racing.

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If you require any further information about this event, please contact:

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