

Venue: Lake Kawana, Sunshine Coast, Queensland Saturday 29th September Sunday 30th September Monday 1st October

Mayoral welcome message

2018 Trans Tasman Gubbi Gubbi Championships

I would like to extend a very warm welcome to competitors and spectators from across the country and overseas who are joining us on our beautiful Sunshine Coast for the 2018 Trans-Tasman Gubbi Gubbi Waka Ama and AOCRA junior titles.

It's going to be five days of fantastic spring-time competition on one of the real homes of outrigger racing, beautiful Lake Kawana.

I'm sure we'll get the opportunity to watch some wonderful racing and admire the skills, teamwork and camaraderie of outrigger paddlers of all ages.

The special vibe and atmosphere at outrigger events is something I always encourage our residents to see for themselves.

It is especially pleasing to see the continuation of the Trans-Tasman Gubbi Gubbi Waka Ama, which now dates back more than a decade, as a way to respect and acknowledge our region's traditional owners and celebrate their culture.

The Sunshine Coast has a reputation as a high-value destination for hosting major sporting and entertainment events, and events like these add to that legacy.

Don't forget to tag the photos from your stay with #sunshinecoast and #visitsunshinecoast.

I wish you the very best of luck with your racing and I invite you to return to see us again in the future.

With best regards

Mayor Mark Jamieson

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President's welcome message

2018 Trans Tasman Gubbi Gubbi Championships

Welcome competitors, parents and supporters to Lake Kawana, Sunshine Coast, for the 2018 Trans-Tasman Gubbi Gubbi.

It is always a delight to see young paddlers join together in the spirit of friendly competition. Whether you've travelled from near or far, from around Australia or across the Tasman and beyond, welcome. Give your very best, for yourself and for your team and enjoy all that this wonderful event has to offer.

You are the young ambassadors for our sport, which has a rich history here and around the world, so be humble in victory and gracious in defeat. Be

sure to thank your team mates when you step out of your canoe and shake the hands of your fellow competitors, for such lessons in respect and sportsmanship go a long way to helping you become the best

that you can be, both within and outside our sport.

Remember to thank those who have worked so hard and believed in you enough to support you on your journey as an outrigger paddler; the mums, dads, coaches and supporters. To them I'd like to extend my personal thanks for being a part of your paddling journey. Thank you for playing your part in getting our juniors here and remember that this competition is for them and about them. While they are on their journey to becoming young adults, we want them to look back on this time with fondness. Help them to share the rewards of success and to deal with the tribulations of defeat. Let us all be role models of respect, tolerance and fairness.

Finally, whether your focus at this event is on competition or participation remember that part of being the age you are is that sport should be about having fun as well. Paddle hard when the time comes but laugh and smile when the job is done.

I look forward to seeing you all at Lake Kawana for another fantastic Trans-Tasman Gubbi Gubbi event.

Kind regards

President, AOCRA Grant Withrington

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2018 Event Program

Minows: no gender requirements

All other divisions: V6 mixed minimum 3 girls, v12 minimum 6 girls

Friday 28th September

9am Site Set up begins 1-4pm Registration opens for Individual Paddler Rigging of V12's

Saturday 29th September

6.30am Registration opens for Individual Paddler 7.30am Welcome/Blessing Ceremony 8.00am V12 Racing Starts - All 250 mtrs -All Mixed (min of 6 girls) Heats - Minnows, U12, U14, U16, U19

Finals

V12 de rigging and V6 rigging

Medal Presentations.

V6 Turns
Heats - Minnows 250 mtrs (straight Race 1)
U19 (1000mtrs), U16 (1000mtrs), U14 (500mtrs), U12 (500mtrs) Mixed
Minnows 250 mtrs (straight Race 2)
U16 Girls/Boys, U19 Girls/Boys (1000trs)

Finals

Medal Presentations.

Sunday 30th September

7am Registration opens 7.30am V1 Racing starts U12, U14 (250 mtrs) U16, U19 (500 mtrs)

Finals

V1 de rigging and loading onto trailers

Medal Presentations.

V6 Straights
Heats - U16, U19 (500mtrs) Mixed
Minnows (250 mtrs) Mixed
U12, U14 (250 mtrs) Mixed
U16 Girls/Boys, U19 Girls/Boys (500 mtrs)

Finals

V6 De rigging and loading onto trailers

Medal Presentations.

Monday 1st October

7am Registration Opens 7.30am OC1 Racing Starts U12, U14 (250 mtrs) U16, U19 (500 mtrs)

Finals

OC1 De rigging and loading onto trailers

Medal Presentations.

A more detailed program will be available once all nomination spreadsheets have been returned.











Race Rules

All AOCRA Sprint Rules will be applied as per AOCRA Regatta Rules. www.aocra.com.au

AGE GROUPS

- » Minnows must turn 8 or 9 on or before 31st December 2018
- » U12 must turn 10, 11, 12 on or before 31st December 2018
- » U14 must turn 13, 14 on or before 31st December 2018
- » U16 must turn 15, 16 on or before 31st December 2018
- » U19 must turn 17, 18, 19 on or before 31st December 2018

Minnows:

- » Cannot race up into other divisions
- » Cannot participate in turns races
- » Cannot steer themselves
- » Steerer must be experienced and be 14 years and over, passive steering required

Mixed Crews:

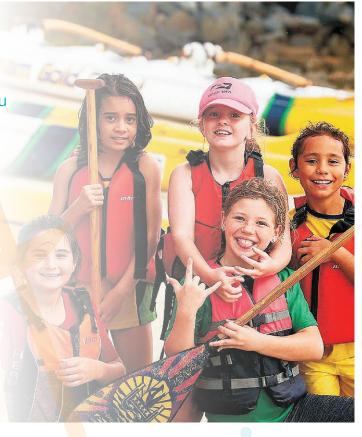
Must have a minimum of 3 girls (maximum 3 boys).

OC1/V1 Paddlers may choose to nominate in both OC1 and V1 events.

Competitors may only race in one division each event.

Competitors racing in V6/V12 events can only compete in a maximum of 5 events. A maximum of two competitors from a lower age division will be allowed to paddle up to complete a crew in the next highest age division (provided individual paddlers do not exceed the 5 event limit).

PLEASE NOTE: Races will not be held up for competitors who are racing back-to-back events or who miss the call to marshalling. Coaches and Team Managers are responsible for ensuring their paddlers are not racing back-to-back and are at marshalling on time.





How to Register

Fees \$80 per U12- U19 paddler, \$40 per Minnow

This covers all racing fee's and includes a gift pack.

Nominations close 9th September 2018. Clubs will receive a spread sheet to fill out to nominate all crews and individual paddlers as soon as you register through the AOCRA website.

Australian AOCRA Members must register through your CLUB ONLY not as an individual.

Overseas clubs register through the AOCRA website as follows:

Log on to www.aocra.com.au

- » On left hand side of page click on "Race Registration"
- » Select Event Trans Tasman 2018
- » Select I am not a member but want to nominate for an event
- » Fill out club details, contact, address, phone number and email address Select Submit
- » Put the number of juniors in each age division.
- » A charge of \$80 per paddler will appear down the bottom. Select Proceed
- » The next page allows you to put in the names, gender and dates of birth of your juniors in the non AOCRA members area. Select **Proceed**
- » Click on the empty boxes to produce a tick next to each of your paddlers' names.
 Select Proceed to Payment
- » Credit Card requirements will appear
- » Fill out and click on **Submit** only once and wait for payment to process. You will receive an email confirmation of your payments within a few minutes. If you have any difficulty with this process please contact support@aocra,com.au

Do you require a crew to race with? Please contact Adam Joyce ... nqbldadam@gmail.com if you require paddlers to fill your crews or need a seat in a crew.



A big sunny welcome

<u>Visit Sunshine Coast</u> is the proud official destination partner of Trans Tasman Gubbi Gubbi Waka Ama. The Sunshine Coast is the ultimate holiday destination and offers a unique blend of relaxed beach lifestyle and hinterland charm.

The Sunshine Coast is rich in diversity, and that is what makes it so special. Enviably positioned, the region is tucked between Brisbane and Fraser Island – a stunning haven abounding in wonders of nature, beachside culture, fresh local food, bucket list experiences and world-class events just waiting to be explored.

While here on the Sunshine Coast choose from a vast array of activities, or simply put your feet up and relax. Experience our world-class attractions during your stay. Marvel at amazing animals at Australia Zoo or become your own race driver at Big Kart Track. There is so much to see and do on the beautiful Sunshine Coast. Learn more about our many attractions.

Please click here for the Sunshine Coast Official Visitor and Event Guide.









Flights

The <u>Sunshine Coast</u> is a safe and popular destination, thanks to its easy access, local airport and proximity to Brisbane, Australia's third largest city.

Conveniently located the <u>Sunshine Coast Airport</u> is just 15 minutes drive from Mooloolaba. Sunshine Coast Airport is serviced by Jetstar, Virgin Australia and Qantas domestically as well Air New Zealand who provide seasonal flight services from Auckland.

Centrally located, the Sunshine Coast Airport offers a range of transport options including shuttle buses, hire cars, taxis, and public bus services.

Airport Transfers

<u>Con-x-ion bus service</u> provides the most swift and efficient airport transfer service between the Sunshine Coast Airport and your Sunshine Coast accommodation.

Visa

For our international guest travelling to Australia, make sure you check out the Australian Government website first to check if you require a visa to visit: border.gov.au/Trav/Visi/Visi







Accommodation

Stay with us on the Sunshine Coast.

Accommodation on the beautiful Sunshine Coast is renowned around the world for its superb quality, winning locations and incredible variety. Stay close to the main event hubs on the beautiful Mooloolaba or Maroochydore beachfronts. For more travel information and Mooloolaba and Maroochydore accommodation deals visit

LINK: Find out where you can stay

Coastal Fun

With over 100 kilometres of coastline, the Sunshine Coast has many patrolled beaches, calm bays and crowd-free strips of sand where you can simply relax...or find water activities galore. Adventure and sports are synonymous with the Sunshine Coast, where the fantastic weather lends itself to fun-filled and exhilarating outdoor pursuits. Click here to find out more.

Food Trail

From producers and waterfront restaurants to food festivals and cooking schools, the Sunshine Coast will tempt your tastebuds with gourmet delights.

The Sunshine Coast is a foodie's haven with over 400 food and beverage experiences. During your stay create your own food trail based on the region you'd like to explore and your food interests - dining, cafe, coffee spots, local breweries, farmer's markets and more! Use our <u>Food Trail</u> interactive tool

















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