



2014 AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIP TOUR

ENTRY INFORMATION DETAILS

Dates & Venues:

Round 1 -- 1 st & 2 nd February Perth Western Australia Burswood on Swan. Enduro Supercourse & Closed. course Watercross
Round 2 -- 22 th & 23 th March Sydney New South Wales St Georges Sailing Club Enduro Supercourse & Closed course Watercross
Round 3 -- 29 th , 30 th March Redcliffe Queensland Enduro Supercourse & Closed course Watercross
Round 4 -- 4 th May Bridge to Bridge Enduro Hawkesbury River NSW
Round 3 -- 17 th May St George Sailing Club NSW



2014 Bridge to Bridge

- Date & Venue:** 4th May 2013 NSW Water Ski Gardens 2916 River Road Wisemans Ferry
- Presentation Date:** Presentation's will be held at end of day racing on Sunday
- Entry Information:** Entry Fee's – \$250 Open Class and \$165.00 other classes (+AJSBA Lic if required), **ENTRIES & PAYMENT CLOSE TUESDAY 29RD APRIL 2013**, any entry received after will be charged \$100.00 late fee, no entries will be accepted after the 30th APRIL 2013
- Safety Check:** Pre-race scrutineering/safety check will take place on site TBA.
- There will be **one fixed location** for Pre-race scrutineering / safety checks
All riders and PWC's must be scrutineered to complete registration prior to race event.
- All riders and PWC's must attend the tech/sutineering check prior to being granted permission to put PWC's in water, all PWC's competing at the event must be **Registered and Registration label must be attached, no label no racing, also NO TRADE PLATES.**
- Riders Meeting:** Riders Meetings will take place at the following times: 8:15AM
- All competitors must be present at the meeting prior to competition REMEMBER TRAILER DRIVER REQUIRED.**
- Required Equipment:** All riders MUST wear an approved PFD 2 or 3 while on the water on any PWC as well as an AS1698 approved or equivalent full face helmet and appropriate footwear while on a PWC at the event site and back braces and leg guards are highly recommended for all riders.
- Race Numbers:** Race numbers must be clearly legible from at least 50 meters as well color and size must meet I.J.S.B.A. requirements as per rule number 17.11 and the applicable appendix in the I.J.S.B.A. competition rule book. Any numbers conflicting with an entrant running a current AJSBA number will be required to be changed and the number will be advised to you following processing of your entry. **We reserve the right to not score those numbers not visible or legal.**

Site Access: Use boat ramp at park and return car to carpark, no leaving of car on ramp at any time.

**Event Program:
Saturday & Sunday Racing**

	Start Time	End Time
Safety Scrutineering of Race Craft – Sign in	7:30 AM	
Riders Meeting	8:15 AM	
Race Start Approx	9:15 AM	
EVENT PRESENTATION @ completion of Race Approx		

ALL TIMES ABOVE ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE, RACE START TIME WILL BE DETERMINED WHEN WATER SKI RACING EVENT HAS FINISHED.

Event Classes:

Pro/Am Runabout Open

Pro/Am Runabout Stock

Pro/Am Runabout Naturally Aspirated

- Please note other classes will be taken if requested
- ALL CLASSES LISTED ABOVE ARE FOR ADULT PWC LICENCE HOLDERS ONLY

EVENT RULES:

These rules are in addition to normal AJSBA rules and in some cases either clarify or amend current rules. They may be amended or added to at any time prior to the race without notification. All changes may be posted on the AJSBA web site as they become available.

1. General Event Rules

- All riders must be full financial yearly license holders of the AJSBA for the Date of racing .
- Classes may be combined on race day if deemed necessary by the race director.
- The Race Director reserves the right to reclassify any rider, if in his opinion the rider should be competing in another class.
- Five PWC's constitute a class with the exception of Junior Ski class which is a minimum of 3
- Personal Watercraft Racing is dangerous. You may withdraw at any time before the race starts and your entry fee will be refunded. Please notify the race director if you wish to withdraw.
- All riders must wear an approved PFD and helmet while on the PWC at the event site .
 - Safety must have's: helmet, PFD & boots
 - Recommended: wetsuit and gloves, runabout riders – leg guards, ski riders – back braces
 - PWC's: operational lanyard, no sharp objects/corners
 - All riders: to raise hand if fall off or become separated from PWC and if you are OK
- The course is closed and PWC's to remain on the beach until the Race Director opens it for practice. No craft are allowed on the course without the express permission of the race director or his delegate.**
- Flags
 - White Last Lap
 - Yellow Caution No Overtaking
 - Red Race Stopped return to start
 - Black Return to Race Director Immediately
 - Green Race Start
- Riders will only be allowed to enter ONE PWC per class, a backup craft may be used under the following conditions- The back up craft MUST be presented at pre race tech inspection, the back up craft MUST have the riders race number clearly displayed as would be expected of their race craft, a rider may only switch to their back up craft if a failure or damage to their original craft is deemed acceptable by the race director. Both PWC's will be subject to post race scrutineering.
- Riders Bibs, each rider will be allocated a coloured bib at each event, it is to be returned at the end of the days events, if not returned a \$50.00 fine will be imposed.

2. Riders Briefing

- All riders MUST be present at riders briefing, any rider who is not present at riders briefing will not be permitted to race.
- Specific clarifications or regulation may be imposed at riders briefing.

SUPPLEMENTARY RULES:

These rules are published for the benefit of Riders and Officials. All riders are urged to read the IJSBA Official Competition Rulebook thoroughly before competing.

1. **The 2014 Australian Championships tour will use the 2013 IJSBA Rulebook with 2014 rule inclusions published as of January 2014**
2. Substitution of Boats – Boat must be damaged or non-operational refer Rule 12.1.8. Substitution will not be allowed on the start line. The Race Director or his delegate must be consulted before boats enter the staging area. Replacement boats must have been scrutineered and eligible for the appropriate class. If you have to change boats the rider must ask Race Director Liaison.
3. **Only Riders have standing on the day. Only riders are allowed to approach officials. If after being given an explanation of a decision a rider approaches an official to argue a decision penalties will apply.**
4. There will be no riding on the course at any time unless given explicit permission by the Race Director.
5. **Any rider who runs a PWC up the beach will be DQ'd. The beach will be approached slowly and with care. Pedestrians in the area have right of way.**
6. **PWC's that are parked outside the designated pit area will be DQ'd.**
7. At the end of their last race on Sunday all boats are to be parked in the **designated area** and either the rider or the mechanic are to stay with the PWC until instructed by the race director or his delegate on whether the PWC is required for **Technical Inspection**. The lifting of hoods, covers or seats will not be tolerated and will result in disqualification.
8. Only the boat, mechanic and rider will be allowed in the Technical Inspection tent or area. The safety of the pwc remains the responsibility of the rider.
9. Leg Armour is recommended for Runabout classes. Back armour is recommended for Ski Riders, **mandatory for Junior Ski** and is recommended for runabout riders.
10. Race Marshalls are authorized to use dry powder fire extinguishers on PWC's that show signs of fire.
11. The Race Director reserves the right to change the program at any time.
12. **Abuse of officials by anybody will not be tolerated. Severe penalties will be imposed on teams or individuals for any infringement.**
13. All enquiries will be directed to the Assistant Race Director.
14. **The Race Director's decision is final in all matters.**

Fuel Regulations

Flats

1. All fuel must be stored in the designated fuel dump area.
2. All fuel containers must be clearly marked with the riders surname and boat no.
3. Ski's are only to be re-fuelled in the designated re-fuelling bay adjacent to the fuel storage tent.
4. No re-fuelling is allowed anywhere on site other than the re-fuelling bay.

AJSBA Code of Conduct

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This Code of Conduct is for all competitive members, social members, day members and licence holders of the Australian Jet Sports Boating Association and must be abided by at all times by the participant, pit crew, family members and rider sponsors.

Australian Jet Sports Boating Association encourages good sportsmanship and professionalism at all levels of participation for your association, club, track, riders, officials and parents. If you have any questions about the Australian Jet Sports Boating Association's Code of Conduct, please contact us at secretary@ajsba.org.au or visit www.playbytherules.net.au for advice.

Everyone

- Treat all participants in your sport as you would like to be treated yourself.
- Control your temper; verbal abuse, threats and physical violence are not acceptable behaviours.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants, regardless of their ability, gender or cultural background.
- Be a good role model; be safe, responsible and set a good example outside of organized racing events, especially when on the water.
- Act within the rules of the sport at all times.
- Respect the decisions of officials at all times.
- Remember to treat with respect and thank fans, fellow competitors, mechanics, volunteers, team members and officials. Without these people, the sport could not exist.
- Adhere to Australian Jet Sports Boating Association Pit Rules and Regulations and the Australian Jet Sports Boating Association Drug and Alcohol Policy.
- Respect the waterways operators by adhering to the rules and guidelines of each waterway.
- Be environment conscious; keep your area clean and treat spills appropriately. Leave your area as you would like to find it.
- All affiliates agree to abide by state laws and ensure that only registered watercraft will be driven/ridden on the waterways by licenced enthusiasts where required by law.

Competitors

1. Your Race Safe **Behaviour and Attitude** will significantly reduce the risks of any Incidents
2. Competitors have the right to Race hard and fast but this must be with the utmost safety and care for your fellow competitors
3. You **will** wear a Hi Visibility Vest as a beginner Racer or if you have not raced for an extended period.
4. You **will not** attempt the Holeshoot as a beginner racer or racing a new class until deemed competent by Race Director, new racers to start on outside grid positions
5. Know your crafts handling under race conditions and ride within your abilities, losing control of your craft has unacceptable risks and consequences to yourself and other riders
6. **Passing:** riders must always be prepared for another rider to pass and **must** therefore be aware of other riders approaching from behind. The overtaking rider **must** consider the safest route to pass and must do so without forcing the overtaken rider to suddenly alter course.
7. **"Holding your Race Line"** under closed course racing conditions is extremely important, When being lapped you need to be able to let faster riders through safely. Lapped slower riders racing the front runners is **not allowed**
8. New riders or experienced riders are not allowed to race competitors to a buoy if the proximity endangers either rider and there is a possibility of a collision.
9. When slowing down or coming off throttle, there are no brake lights on a PWC, raise your left hand when coming off throttle
10. Memorizing a Buoy Course is of paramount importance. Sighting Laps *are not* a race, they are for memorizing course. After practice and sighting laps make sure you have committed the course to memory if not ask your Race Director for extra Sighting / Practice laps
11. Always compete within the rules
12. Always compete to the best of your ability with honour and integrity
13. Treat Competitors as you would like to be treated, do not interfere with, bully or take advantage of any other participant
14. Avoid the use of course and derogatory language, control your temper Avoid Arguing with Marshals and officials any verbal abuse is unacceptable
15. Be a good sport and applaud good performance, compliment and encourage all participants, Positive comments are motivational, the better the competition the better you will become
16. Competitors are responsible for their own conduct plus there race team
17. Compete within your skill level. Only try and extend these skills when there is no likelihood of danger to yourself and others.
18. Recognize the importance of Volunteers that give their time so you can enjoy your sport
19. Place the Safety and welfare of other participants above all else

For Officials

- Be impartial, consistent and objective at all times.
- Place the safety and welfare of all participants above all else.
- Ensure the spirit of competition is maintained.
- Be understanding and co-operative in the interpretation and application of rules and penalties.
- Condemn unsporting behaviour and promote respect for all competitors.

For Parents

- Encourage children to participate to the best of their ability.
- Focus upon the child's performance rather than the overall outcome of the event.
- Teach children that an honest effort is as important as victory.
- Encourage your children to follow the rules and respect the work and decisions of officials and marshals.
- Remember that children are involved in racing for their enjoyment – not yours.
- Set a good example by avoiding the use of derogatory or abusive language, respect officials and marshals and never ridicule or scold a child for making a mistake during competition.
- Don't be an ugly parent. If you see 'ugly parent syndrome' behaviour, visit www.playbytherules.net.au and help to solve the problem.

The Line – An Australian Government Initiative

Sometimes there's no argument about where to draw the line – there are some things you should just never do. Sometime the line can be blurry. For more advice on what is and isn't considered acceptable behaviour, as well as some terrific resources for parents and guardians, visit www.theline.gov.au.

Social Media

Australian Jet Sports Boating Association encourages participation in online social media in a positive manner. The accessible nature of the internet however, can lend itself to the posting of threatening and derogatory material in the heat of the moment.

Once your thoughts and comments are published to the internet they are visible to the world – and they are permanent. Australian Jet Sports Boating Association takes all cases of cyber bullying seriously and will treat online matters as it would 'real world' bullying or slandering.

Breaching the Code of Conduct or bringing the sport into disrepute online can lead to serious consequences, including tribunals, suspensions and the cancellation of the offender's Australian Jet Sports Boating Association membership and licence.

If you have any questions about what constitutes acceptable content, please contact Australian Jet Sports Boating Association at secretary@ajsba.org.au.

Australian Jet Sports Boating Association Discipline and Tribunals

Australian Jet Sports Boating Association expects all Licence holders to uphold the Australian Jet Sports Boating Association Code of Conduct and as such treats allegations of poor conduct and bringing the sport of watercraft into disrepute very seriously. To learn more about Australian Jet Sports Boating Association's disciplinary process and tribunals, contact Australian Jet Sports Boating Association Head Office on admin@ajsba.org.au.

1. The AJSBA committee may suspend a rider's membership/licence for breaches of this code.
2. The race director has the authority to discipline riders, owners, riders sponsors and/or pit crew for violation of the IJSBA/AJSBA rules. This discipline may involve disqualification, exclusion from an event and/or ejection from the race site.
3. The race director may disqualify, exclude or eject the rider, owners, sponsors or pit crew for any of the following violations:-
 - a. Vulgarity, offensive language or unsportsmanlike actions directed towards officials, spectators or other participants;
 - b. Failure to abide by the IJSBA/AJSBA race rules;
 - c. Failure to comply with watercraft requirements or pit crew non-compliance with regulations;
 - d. Use of intoxicating beverages and/or drugs;
 - e. Unwillingness to accept an official's decision or verbal or physical abuse of any official;
 - f. Participation in an event without holding a valid membership/licence; and
 - g. Providing inaccurate or false information to any officials or any official document.

AJSBA Public liability Cover

AJSBA LIABILITY INSURANCE COVER FOR AJSBA RACING & CLUB ACTIVITIES

A BRIEF DESCRIPTION

An Insurance fee is collected by the AJSBA for each event that you enter. This insurance is to protect you, your club and the AJSBA for the following:

Scope of Cover:

In the event that you, your club or the AJSBA is found liable for injury to members of the public or damage to their property, the policy will cover up to \$20,000,000 of liabilities, subject to policy terms and conditions. Cover applies to all AJSBA sanctioned events, activities & meetings.

Important Notes

Cover Subject to Policy Wording

The above is a brief summary of cover provided. Copies of the policy wording, terms and conditions are retained by the AJSBA or available from Austbrokers City State Insurance Brokers.

Participation Exclusion

Liability incurred between Riders, i.e. Rider to Rider Liability, is not covered under the AJSBA's Public Liability policy. This includes both personal injury and damage to craft.

To obtain cover for your liability for injury to other riders, damage to their PWC and/or property you must acquire Personal Water Craft Insurance with Racing Risks Extension. For further information, contact SPT Insurance Brokers

Disclaimer

This is a very brief description of the cover and is in no way attempting to offer any more than a general explanation of the AJSBA Liability insurance cover.

For more information, refer to AJSBA where a copy Policy Wordings is held. Alternatively, you can contact Austbrokers City State Insurance Brokers.