

# 2025 Yarrawonga Speedboat Spectacular Competitor Information Pack



Friday 25 April to Sunday 27 April 2025

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## Event Location

Yarrawonga Mulwala Tourism and Business (YMTB) have partnered with the Victorian Speed Boat Club (VSBC) and the Mulwala Water Ski Club (MWSC) to host the **Yarrawonga Speedboat Spectacular and Fair** on Lake Mulwala from **25 to 27 April 2025**.

The Mulwala Water Ski Club is located on Bank Street at Yarrawonga, VIC 3730. The Yarrawonga Mulwala Visitor Information Centre is located at 1 Irvine Parade Yarrawonga VIC 3730.

The racecourse will be located adjacent to the Yarrawonga foreshore. The main pit area will be at the Eastern end of Bank Street. The crane and AFPGP pits will be at the western end of the foreshore adjacent to the bridge.

## Spectators

Spectator details and passes are available here:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/yarrawonga-powerboat-spectacular-fair-tickets-1021400003907>

## Code of conduct

The VSBC will not tolerate any abuse or disrespect of any officials or volunteers.

- Any matter that a *driver* feels is not being handled/managed in a manner that they believe is satisfactory should direct their concerns to the Officer of the day. If the issue cannot be resolved ask for the matter to be referred to the Race Review Committee
- Any *crew or team* that feels that a matter is not being handled/managed in a manner they believe is satisfactory should direct their concerns to the driver and the driver shall bring the matter to the Officer of the Day. If the issue cannot be resolved ask for the matter to be referred to the Race Review Committee
- Junior drivers are to be represented by a parent, guardian, or other adult representative
- Comments or posts on social media that are defamatory or disrespectful towards the Club, sport or other competitors are also included within this Code of Conduct

Conduct that fails to represent the sport in a professional light shall be directed to State and/or National bodies for management under their rules and processes including the [APBA Member Protection Policy](#).

# Pit Map



## Program and schedule of events

*Indication only and may be subject to change for safety and operational requirements.*

### Thursday 24 April

12pm to 5pm Entry paperwork and scrutineering commence in main pit and crane area

### Friday 25 April

TIME	EVENT	DETAILS
7am to 5pm		Entry paperwork and scrutineering
7am		Course set up
11.30am	Pits close	Pits close for entrants practising Friday.
11.30am		Duty Boat Briefing
12pm		Driver's briefing
11.20am	Welcome to Country	
1pm to 2.00pm		Limited practice – priority to EC Griffith Cup and NDC entrants
2.00pm to 2.15pm	Qualifying	Practice- F4
2.15pm to 3.15pm		Hot laps – National Drivers Championship
3.15pm to 3.45 pm		Formula GP Practice
3.45pm		NDC 3 races
7pm	Pole Draw	Pole draw for the Griffith Cup and Heats announced for the National Drivers Championship at Mulwala Ski Club

### Saturday 26 April

TIME	EVENT	DETAILS
6am	<b>Pit opens</b>	Breath testing for all drivers, crew, officials and volunteers
6am to 8.45am		Scrutineering
7am	<b>Pit Close</b>	
7am	Briefing	Safety Crews
7.15am	Briefing	All drivers and crews
8am	Racing	Formula Future
8.30am to 4.45pm	Racing	Senior
11am and 3pm	Display	Aerobatic event
7pm	Social event	Mulwala Ski Club

### Sunday 27 April

TIME	EVENT	DETAILS
6am	<b>Pit opens</b>	Breath testing for all drivers, crew, officials and volunteers
7am	<b>Pit Close</b>	
7am	Briefing	All Safety Crews
7.15am	Briefing	All drivers and crews
8am	Racing	Formula Future
8.30am to 4.30pm	Racing	Senior
11am and 3pm	Display	Aerobatic event
7pm	Presentations	Mulwala Ski Club

The organisers request everyone's cooperation to ensure the program runs as scheduled. Pit gates will be closed at advertised times or when deemed closed by the Officer of the Day or their designated representative.

***It is the responsibility of the drivers to arrive on time, have paperwork in order and be scrutineered in a timely manner. Please be available at the driver's signing area at the advertised times.***

## Presentation

Presentations will be held at the Mulwala Water Ski Club at 156 Melbourne Street, Mulwala NSW 2647 each evening. Phone (03) 5744 1888

**The Mulwala Ski Club is a major sponsor of the 2024 Yarrowonga Speedboat Spectacular and Fair. All teams are encouraged to attend and support the three evening functions.**

## EC Griffith Cup Format - Heats will be drawn Friday Night at the Mulwala Ski Club

- Practice Friday
- Heats and the Final will be held on Saturday 26 April
  - Racing will be held over until Sunday if conditions do not allow for the heats to be held on Saturday

## National Drivers Championship Format

- Practice, Qualifying and Heat 1 on Friday
- Heat 2 on Saturday
- Finals on Sunday

## 105 Superstock Australian Championship Format

- 2 qualification heats to be held, points added over the two heats, the top 6 point scores qualifying for the final
  - Racing will be held over until Sunday if conditions do not allow for the heats to be held on Saturday.

## Classes

- J3 Formula Future
- Formula 4
- Formula GP
- Oz Lite / 1.6 Litre Hydroplane (Col Brown – Australian Championship)
- 105 MPH Superstock (NSW State Council Trophy – Australian Championship)
- 6 Litre Hydroplane (Lawson Shield – Australian Championship)
- 6 Litre Displacement
- Unlimited Displacement (Les Spears)
- Forced induction (National Drivers Championship)
- Unlimited Hydroplane
- Unlimited Open Inboard (EC Griffith Cup – Australasian Unlimited Championship)
- Unlimited Open (ANZAC Day Cup)

## Rules

The rules are set according to the 2024-2025 Australian Powerboat Association Rule Book (available for download at [www.ausapba.com.au](http://www.ausapba.com.au)). The rules, guidelines and operating procedures are to be followed for

the hosting club(s), the relevant APBA state council and any directives as given by any governing body with authority over the event. These include but are not limited to RMS Maritime, Moira Shire Council, Victorian and NSW Police. Any team found not following APBA/VSBC rules will be penalised.

The **EC Griffith Cup** and trophy races will be run under the Deeds of Gift for each specific race. Any protests are to be lodged as per the APBA rules.

## General Information

### Pit information

- Enclosed shoes
- **No alcohol**
- No riding on trailers. Drivers only in a seated position at the helm
- Children 10 years and under must be accompanied by an adult unless they are competing
- **No smoking** (this includes in the back of enclosed trailer, motorhomes, caravans, or transporters)
- No gas BBQs
- Registered vehicles only to be used within the pits
- Moving vehicles and vessels have right of way
- All directives from VSBC/AFPGP officials must be followed immediately
- Failure to show/wear wristband may result in removal, and possible exclusion, from the pits
- Motorised scooters, quads etc used by teams must not exceed 15kph
- Teams are responsible for ensuring the cleanliness of their allocated pit area at the end of the event
- **NO RUBBISH TO BE LEFT BEHIND**
- The crane area will be marked and all spectators are required to remain outside the marked area. Crews and operators only to enter this zone
- No refuelling on the water. Refuelling is permitted in the pit area only, away from the launching ramps
- There is an allocated drum located by the fuel dump for the disposal of waste oil
- **All fuel must be stored in an Australian Standard approved container (AS/NZS 2906:2001) and container marked with its contents. (eg. Methanol, Unleaded etc)**  
**WorkSafe will be onsite monitoring this.**

### Pit Area

Access to the pits is restricted to those wearing a valid wrist band (children included). The pits will be fenced and have strict enforcement of all rules for safety and public liability. One vehicle per boat will be allowed in the pit area. **Teams opening the fence outside of the designated gates will be disqualified and asked to leave.** VSBC/AFPGP will not be responsible for any damage to cars, equipment or other items associated with a vessel or team in the pit area.

### Pit Management

Designated VSBC and AFPGP volunteers will be managing the crane and main pits. Their role is to ensure boats are in the water in a timely manner and that the program continues efficiently. Please follow their directions at all times.

AFPGP Officials and volunteers will manage the Formula GP and Formula 4 races. Other teams are requested to allow them space as they weigh-in after competing.

All competitors are to move around the pit in an anti-clockwise direction via Ely Street, Coghill Street, Hunt Street and Bank Street. Please be respectful toward other competitors when moving around the pits.

### Pit Passes

Each team will be allocated six pit passes. Extra pit passes will be available for purchase at \$20. Pit passes will be given to each person once they have passed a breathalyser test each day and signed the indemnity form.

Children under 12 are not included in the wrist band limits.

Additional passes (at Admin discretion) will be available at a cost of \$20 each, upon passing a breathalyser test and signing the indemnity book. Pit passes will not be issued after 1pm (unless an arrangement is made prior).

Random breath and drug tests will be completed during the event for anyone in the pit.

Pit access is limited to ensure the safety of the competitors, their crew and volunteer workers. This limits excessive numbers of people in the pits if there were a major incident.

### Pit Layout

**Please see the Pit Marshall on arrival who will allocate your position in the pit.** It is the responsibility of the team to ensure that they set up in the allocated position, or you will be asked to relocate.

### GPS / Speed bracket racing

There will be a designated marquee in the pit area for drivers to return their GPS at the end of their race for checking and re-setting. It is the driver's responsibility to liaise with the timekeeper on the day. Failure to do so within 10 minutes of the end of the race, will result in disqualification.

### Tow vehicles

Teams will be using personal vehicles for moving vessels throughout the pits, including launching and retrieving boats. It will be the responsibility of the team manager or driver to ensure the trailer is removed from their vehicle prior to conducting any work under the boat.

Once the boat has been unloaded onto the lake, it is the team's responsibility to remove their vehicle from the ramp area as directed by the Pit Marshall. Riding on trailers is not permitted and drivers must remain seated.

### Boat weigh in

Formula GP and Formula 4 boat weigh in will occur. Exit the boat ramp and drive forward to the weigh in crane. Continue on Ely Street and make a left hand circuit around Hunt and Bank Streets back to the AFPGP pit area.

## Safety information

### Scrutineering

Thursday 24 April	12pm to 5pm
Friday 25 April	7am to 5pm
Saturday 26 April	6am to 8.45am

### Technical inspections

No Technical Inspections will take place at this event.



## Breath testing process

Drivers sign on sheets and breath testing will be available from 6am on race days and must be completed prior to any on water activities.

Pit and On Water volunteers are required to be breath tested (including but not limited to connecting and disconnecting crane, holding boat or loading and unloading the vessel from the trailer)

Random breath testing of driver, teams, volunteers and officials may be conducted throughout the event.

Blood alcohol reading must be 0.000 or the individual will be removed from the pits.

## Drug testing

Drug testing may be carried out throughout the event. Teams may be tested at random.

## Fuel

- Methanol fuel will be available for purchase at the event. Please indicate the number of drums required when submitting your entry.
- **NO FUEL DRUMS ARE TO BE LEFT ON THE LAKE FORESHORE FOR ANY REASON**
- All vessels must be removed from the water prior to being refuelled
- **No fuel containers are to be stored on the ground. Containers up to 20 litres are to be stored in tow vehicles. Containers over 20 litres must be stored in the bunded area.**
- Teams are to allocate TWO competent people to decant fuel from the bulk storage bunded area, one person to carry out the decanting and the other to be on standby with a fire extinguisher in hand. This process must be performed on the anti-static mats provided. This process is a requirement from the CFA
- **PLEASE NOTE: Fuel drums and containers must display fuel content and must be stored in an approved container**

## Incidents

In the event of an incident or emergency, the involved teams may be asked to assist by obtaining items relevant to their vessel, including but not limited to trailer, protective gear or boat cover.

The ramp/crane will be cleared, and all persons not involved will be required to move away from the emergency area.

## Safety personnel

Safety boats, rescue boats, divers and paramedics will be present at the event. Please introduce yourself to the safety personnel and allow them to familiarise themselves with your boat. If your vessel is fitted with anything other than what could be considered standard air systems, latches or other safety devices, it is the responsibility of the driver to make time to provide details and instruction with the safety team.

## Race information

### Racecourse

Racing on Friday and Saturday for the EC Griffith Cup for all senior races will be on the full-size Championship course with 800m straights and 25m radius corners.

Racing for the Formula GP and Formula 4 boats will start from the area near the swimming pool on a triangular course. **Teams will need poles to ensure the boats are managed from the shore.**

### Practice sessions

- The course will be available for practice on Friday 25 April 2024. Priority will be given to EC Griffith Cup and NDC entrants.
- All paperwork and scrutineering must be completed before the boat is allowed on the course.

On completion of all paperwork, the team must advise the Pit Marshall of their intention to test/ practice. Boats will test on a first in basis. A warm up or sighting lap will be available prior to your first race on each day. Please consider that this event is on a tight schedule and only practice if necessary.

### Drivers Briefing

All drivers and officials must attend and each driver must sign on. One team member per boat is permitted to attend with the driver. **Drivers who do not attend the Briefing are not able to compete in the event.**

### Turn buoys

All drivers will be fined for damaging a buoy. A fine, equivalent to the replacement cost of a turn buoy (including GST) and a one lap penalty will be applied for damaging a turn buoy. Any buoy infringement payment must be received at this event and will need to be finalised prior to the conclusion of presentation or the matter will be referred to the State Council.

### Volunteers

The VSBC is a not-for-profit club. This means it requires the assistance of volunteers to make the event possible and successful. Thank you to all who support the Club in this way.

For insurance purposes, all officials and volunteers including members of any pit crew MUST sign the volunteer register to be covered by the policy. Failure to do so may result in coverage not being provided in the event of an incident. The register will be available on Friday, Saturday and Sunday morning, at the entry registration/ breath test area.

### Assistance – before and after the event

**The VSBC request assistance from all race teams to inflate/deflate turn buoys, assist at the pit gates and help pack up the race gear at the start and end of the event.**

**Race team assistance to dismantle and stack temporary fencing will also be required Sunday afternoon. If you have a rattle gun and deep sockets please bring them along to speed up the dismantling process.**

### Entries

All entries must be submitted using the Google form below. The last date to enter is **Friday 11 April 2025**.

<https://forms.gle/2nRU4WXwE8UxFBms9>

The data from the form will populate the official APBA entry and scrutineering form. Type your name into the form when filling it in and this can be officially signed on the day.

### Fees

**Senior fee:** \$350

**Formula Future:** \$70

### Payment

An invoice will be sent to each competitor for payment before the event. Payment must be received before the event for the entry to be confirmed.