

2012 AUSTRALIAN WATERCROSS CHAMPIONSHIPS YAMAHA - SEADOO - KAWASAKI

ENTRY INFORMATION DETAILS

- Date & Venue:** 20th, 21st and 22nd April Spit Cove Surfers Paradise Queensland Australia.
- Entry Information:** Entry Fee's – there are two entry fee's – One is for all entry and monies received by the AJSBA on and prior to the 18th of March – The second entry fee is for any entry and money received after the 18th of March and closing on the 1st of April. No entries or money owing will be accepted after this date. Entries close on the 1st of April.
- Presentation Date:** Presentation awards will be held at The Hard Rock Hotel Surfers Paradise at the end of event
Plates will be issued
White Background Black numbers for Pro GP Ski & Pro Open Runabout
Black Background White numbers Pro Lites Ski and Pro Stock Runabout
- Safety Check:** Pre-race scrutineering/safety will take place on site at Spit cove boat ramp on Friday 20th April between 9.00am and 12:00pm.
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.
- Riders Meeting:** Riders Meetings will take place at the following times:
8.30am Saturday 21st For Am racers
8.30am Sunday 22nd For Pro classes
All competitors must be present at the meeting prior to competition.
- 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.
Please Note: ALL PWC's MUST BE FITTED WITH RESISTOR SPARK PLUGS OR CAPS.
- 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.**

Event Program:
Friday 20th April 2011

	Start Time	End Time
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Safety Scrutineering of Race Craft – Sign in	9.00am	12:00pm
Practice	12.30pm	4.30pm

Saturday 21st April 2011

	Start Time	End Time
Riders meeting	8.30am	4.30pm

CLASSES:

- 1) Pro/Am womens ski lites
- 2) Womens Stock Runabout
- 3) Am Jnr 850 lites ski
- 4) Am stock runabout
- 5) Am open runabout
- 6) Vet open runabout (to be combined with Am open if numbers are low)
- 7) Elite Jnr limited ski
- 8) Am lites ski
- 9) Am freestyle

Sunday 22nd April 2011

	Start Time	End Time
Riders meeting	8:30am	4.00pm

Classes

- 1) Pro ski lites
- 2) Pro stock runabout
- 3) Pro ski open
- 4) Pro open runabout
- 5) Pro-Freestyle

Each round of racing will be held in the order as decided on the day. This is subject to change depending on the number of entries per class. A minimum of 5 entries is required to form a class 3 for a Junior Class.

All times above are subject to change dependent on whether there are enough numbers to constitute a class.

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.

General Event Rules

- a) All riders must be full financial members of the AJSBA for the Date of racing or purchase a day licence.
- b) Classes may be combined on race day if deemed necessary by the race director.

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- c) The Race Director reserves the right to reclassify any rider, if in his opinion the rider should be competing in another class.
- d) Five PWC's constitute a class with the exception of Junior Ski class which is a minimum of 3
- e) 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.
- f) 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
- g) **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

h) The event will consist of 4 motos. Riders may enter more than one class; they may only enter classes that they are eligible for.

i) Riders will only be allowed to enter ONE PWC per class, a backup craft may be used under the following conditions- The backup craft MUST be presented at pre-race tech inspection, the backup 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 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 2012 Official Competition Rulebook thoroughly before competing.

- a. The 2012 Australian Watercross Championships will use the 2012 IJSBA Rulebook
- b. 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.

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- c. **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.**
- d. There will be no riding on the course at any time unless given explicit permission by the Race Director.
- e. All Boats must be pre-staged **2 races** prior to your race. After pre-staging move to the staging area as soon as the next race starts.
- f. Missed Bouys: A rider **must not turn back** against the traffic but make use of the **missed bouy on the same lap or next immediate lap**. If you miss a buoy on the last lap after passing the missed buoy buoy you will be deducted 1lap.
- g. At the end of each race riders are to stay in the designated area and only return safely to the pits or beach when safe to do so.
- h. **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.**
- i. **PWC's that are parked outside the designated pit area will be DQ'd.**
- j. 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.
- k. 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.
- l. Leg Armour is recommended for Runabout classes. Back armour is recommended for Ski Riders, **mandatory for Junior Ski** and is recommended for runabout riders.
- m. Race Marshalls are authorized to use dry powder fire extinguishers on PWC's that show signs of fire.
- n. The Race Director reserves the right to change the program at any time.
- o. **Abuse of officials by anybody will not be tolerated. Severe penalties will be imposed on teams or individuals for any infringement.**
- p. All enquiries will be directed to the Assistant Race Director.
- q. **The Race Director's decision is final in all matters.**

Fuel Regulations

All fuel must be stored in the designated fuel dump area.
All fuel containers must be clearly marked with the riders surname and boat no.

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Ski's are only to be re-fuelled in the designated re-fuelling bay adjacent to the fuel storage tent. No re-fuelling is allowed anywhere on site other than the re-fuelling bay.

AJSBA Code of Conduct

This Code of Conduct is for all competitive members, social members and day members and licence holders of the Australian Jet Sport Boating Association.

This Code of Conduct must be abided to at all times by the participant, pit crew, family members and rider sponsors.

Competition rules set by the IJSBA and amendments made by the AJSBA must be followed.

Keep up to date with rule changes

Control your temper. Verbal abuse and sledging of AJSBA committee members, club affiliate committee members and other members is not acceptable or permitted behaviour at any event, by email or on a public forum.

Treat all other members as you like to be treated. Do not bully other members.

Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all members regardless of their agenda, ability, cultural background or religion.

Co-operate with everybody involved.

Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from the sport.

Whilst participating in sanction events I agree to abide by all local waterway rules.

Race Events

- a) Never argue with an official. Always use the appropriate rules and guidelines to resolve a dispute.
- b) Do not question an official's judgement/honesty in public or on a public forum.
- c) Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials and sledging of other competitors, deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent are not acceptable or permitted behaviours.
- d) Be a good sport. Applaud good performances. Compliment and encourage all participants. Positive comments are motivational. The better the competition, the better you will become.
- e) Condemn unsporting behaviour and promote respect for all components.
- f) Competitors are responsible for their own conduct as well as the conduct of any person associated with them, such as family, mechanics and sponsors.
- g) Treat all competitors as you would like to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully, or take advantage of another participant.

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- h) Do not use coarse or derogatory language.
- i) Compete within your skill levels. Only try to extend these skills when there is no likelihood of danger to others, and personal risk is controlled.
- j) Recognise the importance of volunteers. They give their time to be able to provide racing events.
- k) Show appreciation for coaches, officials, administrators and supporters. Without them you would not be able to compete.
- l) Place the safety and welfare of participants above all else. Do not compete in a way that endangers yourself, your opponents or officials. This includes (but is not limited to) compliance with the following regulations:
- m) Riding tune-up area: If location/space allows, an area will be designated as a "Riding Tune-Up Area". All riders must wear approved PFD and helmet while tuning/testing water craft in this area and must ride in a safe manner.
- n) Riding on the course: Riding will not be allowed on any course at any time without permission from the Race Director.
- o) Reckless/dangerous riding: Any reckless or dangerous riding, unnecessary bumping, crowding, chopping, blocking, deliberate striking or breaking of a course marker buoy, or unsportsmanlike conduct on the course or off, may result in the rider being penalised. In the case of a team effort, the complete team may be penalised at the discretion of the Race Director.
Blocking: The deliberate blocking of a faster machine is cause for penalty at the discretion of the Race Director.
- p) Spin outs: It is expressly forbidden to ride in a direction opposite of that in which the event is being run. A rider whose boat has spun out is permitted to turn around to continue the event provided that this action is taken only when the course is clear. The rider must give way to other racers on the course. Riders going in the wrong direction may be penalised.
- q) Obstruction: If for any reason a rider is forced to stop on or near the course during an event, it is the rider's first duty to remove his or her boat from the course in a safe manner so as not to endanger or obstruct other riders.
- r) Passing: A rider 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.
- s) Lapping: A rider being lapped must move over, but can continue racing.
- t) Hand signals: A rider who has spun out, fallen or stalled must raise one or both hands overhead to indicate that he or she is not injured. Re-entry into the course must be done in a safe and

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careful manner with the right of way given to oncoming riders.

- u) On-course assistance: Racers may not receive any on-course assistance from anyone other than course officials. If mechanical or other assistance is required, the rider must safely pull completely off the course. A rider receiving on-course assistance may be penalised one lap. Riders entering the course in an unsafe manner may be penalised. The decision by the Race Director will be final.

Discipline

The AJSBA committee may suspend a riders membership/licence for breaches of this code.

The race director has the authority to discipline riders, owners, riders sponsors and/or pit crew for violation of the IJSBA rules. This discipline may involve disqualification, exclusion from an event, and/or ejection from the race site.

The race director may disqualify, exclude or eject the rider, owners, sponsors or pit crew for any of the following violations: -

Vulgarity, offensive language or unsportsman like actions directed towards officials, spectators or other participants

Failure to abide by the IJSBA race rules

Failure to comply with watercraft requirements

Pit crew non-compliance with regulations

Use of intoxicating beverages and/or drugs

Unwillingness to accept an officials decision

Verbal or physical abuse of any official

Participation in an event without holding a valid membership

Providing inaccurate or false information to any officials or any official document.

These rules can be amended by the Race Committee, Executive Committee or Race Director or his delegates at any time without notification.

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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 Salisbury Payne Tinslay.

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 Austbrokers SPT on Phone: (02) 9525 9311.

Insuring your PWC for Racing*

Your Liabilities and damage to your craft can be covered by insuring with Austbrokers SPT. You will need to request **Racing Risks** extension. Your PWC will also be covered 24 hours daily for theft, other damage and liabilities (subject to policy terms and conditions).

Social Events:

Cover is provided through the Scheme for Racing and other activities, including Social Events where the Social Event is registered with the AJSBA. Your local club can confirm that such events are recorded with the AJSBA

Disclaimer

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