



Great Tinaroo Raid 2023

RACE RULES

These rules apply to races the Great Tinaroo Raid at Lake Tinaroo on Saturday 19th August.

General Rules

1. These rules must be read in conjunction with the **additional rules** for the following races:
 - **Peculiar Propulsion Race**
 - **Paddling / Rowing Race**
 - **Seagull Outboard Race**
2. Entrants must inform the WBAC Committee of their intentions to compete prior to the race briefing by registering their name, boat name, and name(s) of all participants in their boat.
3. At least one member of the crew must be a WBAC member or associate member.
4. All participants and spectators are responsible for their own safety and must operate and equip their boat(s) in accordance with Queensland Boating regulations. All participants must wear life jackets.
5. Any number of persons are allowed in each boat.
6. Boats must be predominately of wooden construction.
7. Boats may be of any shape or size.
8. A Race Marshal will be appointed by the WBAC Committee for each race.
9. Boats and equipment must be available for inspection by the WBAC Committee prior to the race.
10. A safety boat will be available for all races.
11. All entrants and participants must attend the pre-race briefing held 30 minutes before each race.
12. The start line shall be an imaginary line between two buoys, as shown on a map of the course.
13. Boats must pass between the buoys after the start signal in the correct direction to have officially started. Should a competitor be over the line prior to the start of a race they need to go back (without hindering other starters) to re-cross the start line.
14. The starting procedure will be communicated by the Race Marshal at the race briefing.
15. The race course, direction and finish line details shall be confirmed at the briefing.
16. Boats taking short cuts, breaking the start line early and not re-crossing or breaking any other rule will be penalised with the penalty to be decided on the day by the Race Marshall.
17. First boat bow past the finishing line shall be declared the winner.
18. The WBAC Committee decisions are final in all matters, including allocated penalties.
19. Barging, ramming and throwing things at other boats is not allowed!



PECULIAR PROPULSION RACE RULES

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Concept

The concept is to have a boat race that is restricted to unconventional means of propulsion, with the aim of encouraging lateral thinking and innovation among WBAC members, entertainment for spectators and fun for participants.

Rules

1. These rules **must be read in conjunction with the GENERAL RACE RULES.**
2. Propulsion must be provided by human activity only, therefore:-
 - **No** conventional, homemade, or commercial motorised machinery (petrol, diesel, battery or steam-driven).
 - **No** wind-driven/assisted systems or sails
 - **No** forward/backward rowing or “normal” paddling,
 - **No** flippers directly attached to a person.
3. Homemade, bespoke, and purpose-built mechanisms for propulsion are the only systems allowed. This may incorporate re-purposed materials if required.
4. Any number of persons can provide the propulsive effort.
5. Nominations to compete must be received by the WBAC Committee no later than 31st July 2023. The nomination must include a description of the propulsion system and/or present the completed boat for inspection.
6. The WBAC Committee will review nominations and advise the entrant if a boat's means of propulsion is peculiar enough to allow race entry.
7. The start shall be with boats stationary and behind the start line.
8. The race will be run over a straight course of approximately 75 metres with the start and finish line details given at the race briefing and displayed on a course map.
9. The winner will be honoured in perpetuity by having their name engraved in the prestigious (and peculiar) Peculiar Propulsion Race Trophy.





PADDLING / ROWING RACE RULES

Great Tinaroo Raid

Concept

The concept is to have a combined race held over a set course involving vessels propelled only by human force, either by paddling (including sculling) or by rowing with the aim of encouraging fitness and an efficient vessel design.

Rules.

1. These rules **must be read in conjunction with the GENERAL RACE RULES.**
2. The propulsion of boat is only by paddles (double, single or sculling) or by oars (either backwards or forwards facing, single or double oars).
3. No other supplementary propulsion is permitted.
4. The race will be run over a triangular course of up to approximately 300 metres with the start and finish line details given at the race briefing and displayed on a course map.
5. The winner will receive the glory of being declared the winner of the prestigious annual Propulsion / Rowing Race and having their name engraved on the trophy.





SEAGULL OUTBOARD RACE RULES

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Concept

The Cairns Motor Boat Club (CMBC) was established in September 1917 and recognised as one of the first recreational clubs in the Cairns region. The CMBC legacy has been retained by a sub-committee of the Wooden Boat Association of Cairns (WBAC) and the Seagull Outboard Motor Race is a means of paying tribute to the rich history of the CMBC in the region.

The concept is to have a race by boats that are propelled by a single Seagull outboard motor with the aim of encouraging mechanical skills, lateral thinking, innovation and honouring the engineering heritage of the mighty Seagull Outboard – “*The Best Outboard Motor for the World*”.



Rules

1. These rules **must be read in conjunction with the GENERAL RACE RULES** provided separately.
2. Seagull refers to an outboard motor manufactured by the Seagull Company in the UK. Only these engines are allowed.
3. All engines must be fitted with a “kill” switch, able to stop the motor if the driver falls overboard or otherwise not in control of the boat.
4. Only one (1) Seagull motor on each boat. No additional propulsion is allowed.
5. Nominations will be received up to two (2) weeks prior to the first day of the Raid and the completed boat is to be made available for inspection on race day by the WBAC Committee who shall advise the entrant if an entry does not meet the rules.
6. Participants in the Seagull Race do so at their own risk and are responsible for their own safety. The WBAC cannot be held responsible for privately owned boats and machinery.
7. The race will be run over a triangular course of approximately 800 metres, corners marked by buoys, with the start and finish line details given at the race briefing and displayed on a course map.
8. The start is with motors running and boats manoeuvring behind the start line.
9. The winner will have their name engraved on the Dr Tom Wright Memorial Seagull Perpetual Trophy.