

RACE GUIDE

RACE 3: PADDLE NSW HARBOUR SERIES 2022 Sunday, September 25, 2022 Carrington Beach, Tully Street, Carrington Race Check-in: 7:00am to 8:15am Races start: 8:25am



Race Day Procedures

Competitors are to drop-off their craft **as directed at the Newcastle Rowing Club** – see mud map - and **park in designated areas** – see mud map.

Please respect local residents and keep noise to a minimum.

Check-in

7am-8.15am on race day. Bring your ID.

Race Numbers

All paddlers will continue to use the same number for the entire series. If this is your first race of the series, your number will be issued at Race Check-in.

Race Numbers **must be affixed on the SIDE of your craft** (excluding SUPS), on a vertical face, above the waterline and where they are visible to finish line officials. Failure to do so may result in your time not being recorded. Other number panels should be removed or covered to avoid confusion.

Ensure you have the minimum safety equipment as per the Harbour Series Race Rules. No exceptions will be granted.

Pre-Race

You must pass between the 4 roped off bollards on the beach when you enter the water. This is to check you have the minimum required equipment and to record your race number (see mud map). Gather for your race start in the area indicated north of the roped bollards (see mud map) and wait to be called forward by one of the starters.

Start Line and Procedure

The start line will be between **two chequered buoys** opposite the registration marquee (see mud map). Paddlers are required to stay 50m behind the two chequered buoys until the race has been called to the start - **area indicated north of the roped bollards** (see mud map)

Starts will commence as follows:

8:25am: Division 1 – Long Course – Competitive (Wave 1)

8:27am: Division 2 –Long Course – Intermediate (Wave 2)

8:30am: Divisions 3 & 4 – Short Course (Inc SUP) (Wave 3)

DO NOT break the Start. You must remain behind the two chequered buoys, anyone **breaking the start will incur a 2-minute penalty**.

The Race Starter will:

- Hold up a Wave Number card (1,2,3) along with an Orange Flag 2 minutes prior to each start to indicate which wave is about to start
- Raise a green flag giving the paddlers in that wave a <u>1-minute</u> warning to come up to (but not cross) the start line

Race Start will be signalled by the dropping of the **green flag** and a single blast of an **AIR HORN**

During Race

Refer to DRONE VIDEO AND MAPS to understand course

- Go under the bridge then head towards the right side of harbour keeping out of the shipping lane.
- Pass the Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club and









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- yachts moored on your right and proceed to a black and white buoy, keeping it on your left
- You MUST GIVE WAY to all other waterway users especially the Ferry where a Maritime Vessel will control the safe passage of paddlers – if directed by that vessel YOU MUST STOP.
- Remember, you are required to assist any paddlers in difficulty throughout the race.
- If you see any of the safety boats wave a red flag on course, the race has been stopped and you must proceed as directed by the safety boat.
- The turns on the course will be marked by large pink and yellow buoys which are the new standard for Harbour Racing. Turn LEFT around the PINK buoys and right around the YEL-LOW buoys.
- On the return leg keep the black and white buoy on your right and as you approach the Cowper St bridge keep the red maritime buoy on your right going under the bridge on the lefthand side. Hug the left-hand side of the creek and pass a yellow maritime buoy, keeping this on your right.
- There is only one yellow PNSW buoy which you must turn around as you come back to the Finish Line.

The Finish Line will be between two black and white chequered buoys. DO NOT call your race number as you cross the line UNLESS asked to do so by one of the Finish Line officials/timers.

WE HOPE YOU HAVE A GREAT RACE!

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