



## Race Guide – Brisbane Water Open 2022

Thanks for being a part of this year's Brisbane Water Open, Race 5 of the 2022 PNSW Harbour Series. We are very excited to be racing at our new venue in beautiful Patonga. The Boat House Hotel at Patonga Pub will have their kiosk open from 7am for coffee & breakfast options. The pub will open for lunch after the race.

**This guide replaces the traditional on-site race briefing.**

Please also refer to the PNSW Harbour Series Rules 2022 available here:  
<https://nsw.paddle.org.au/wp-content/uploads/sites/36/2022/06/PNSW-Harbour-Racing-Series-Rules-2022-V9.pdf>

### Covid-19 Procedures

Don't paddle or come to this event if you're unwell, awaiting test results, or are required to be isolating, etc.

### Race Day Schedule

7am to 8:15am – Race Check-in

7:50am – On-site briefing

Race Start

8:25am Division 1 – Open long course (wave 1)

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

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

### Race Day Procedures

This event is conducted in a new location. Please note the following and refer to the attached **MAPS**.

- Parking
  - Competitors are to **park on the oval as show on our map.** Entry via Bay St.
  - Please respect local residents and keep noise to a minimum.
- There will be **two Check-in queues** to separate people at check-in based upon which course you have entered.
- **New numbers will be issued** at Race Check-in, if you have not already got a race number sticker. These must be affixed on the SIDE of your craft (excluding SUPS) so they are visible to finish line staff. Failure to do so may result in your time not being recorded.
- **Ensure you have the minimum safety equipment** as per the Harbour Series Race Rules. No exceptions will be granted.
- You must pass between **the two Brisbane Water paddlers Club flags** on the beach when you enter the water. This is to check you have the minimum required equipment and to record your race number. (**MAP 1**)
- Gather for your race start on the Eastern side of the Patonga Wharf **MAP 1** and wait to be called forward by one of the IRBs. Paddlers are required to stay 50m behind the buoys until the race has been called to the start.
- **The Finish Line will be between two black and white chequered buoys.**
- Starts will commence as follows:
  - Division 1 – Open Long Course: 08.25am (Wave 1)
  - Division 2 – Intermediate Long Course: 08.27am (Wave 2)
  - Divisions 3 & 4 - Short Course – (inc SUPs): 08.30 am
- **DO NOT break the Start.** You must remain behind the IRB bringing your start to the start line. Anyone breaking the start will incur a 2 minute penalty. **VIDEO WILL BE TAKEN THIS YEAR.**
- **The Start procedure will be as follows**
  - a. **Green flag** will be raised 2 minutes prior to each start
  - b. **Red flag** will be raised 1 minute prior to each start
  - c. An **AIR HORN** will sound the race start.
- **You MUST GIVE WAY** to all other waterway users.
- 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.
- Your course will be marked by large **yellow and pink buoys** which are the new standard for Harbour Racing. Turn **Left around PINK** and Right **around YELLOW** buoys.
- **The Finish Line will be between two black and white chequered buoys.**

#### **Short Course Description:**

Start as per instructions above

From Start, paddle in a western direction and turn left around the large Orange fixed position buoy and head east towards Lion Island. Turn left at the large pink buoy before Lion Island & paddle back towards Patonga & Finish line. See Map 3

Map 3 – Short Course

#### **Long Course Description:**

Start as per instructions above

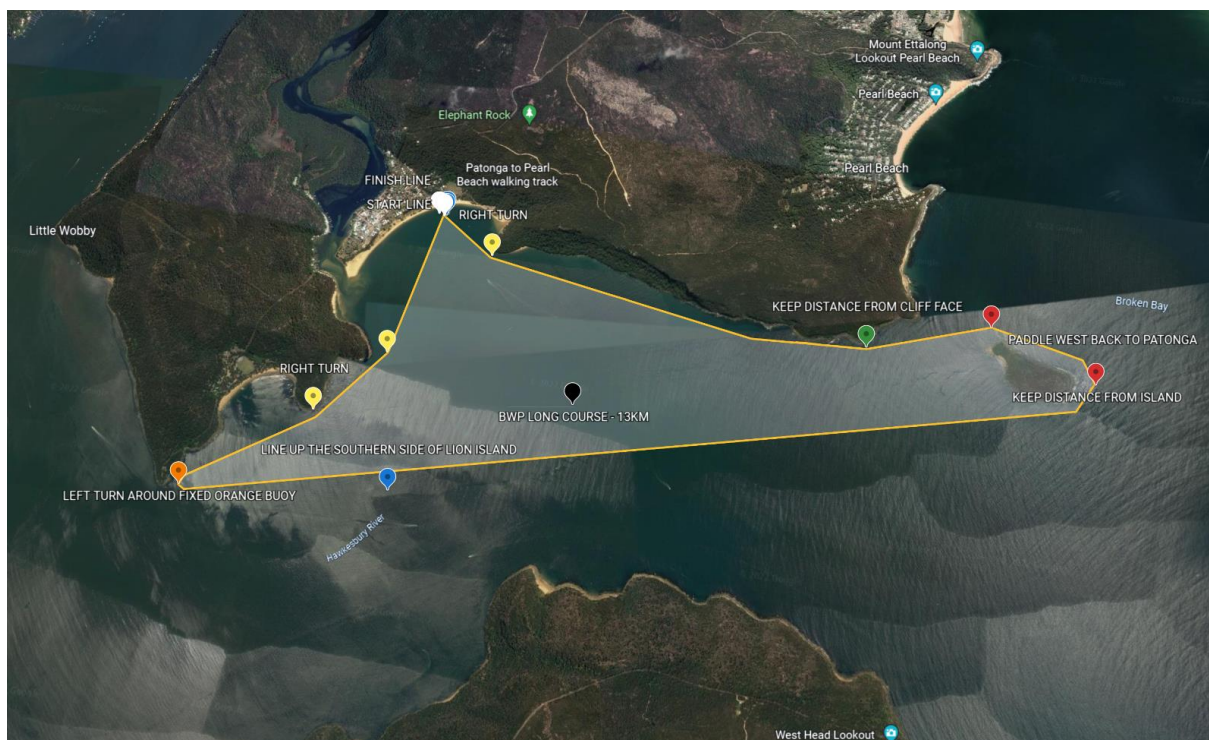
From Start, paddle in a western direction and turn left around the large Orange fixed position buoy and head east towards Lion Island. Turn left/anti clockwise around Lion Island & paddle back towards Patonga & the Finish line. See Map 2

- **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/timer.**
- When you finish racing, there will be a small presentation. Patonga Beach House hotel will be open for lunch. [The Boathouse Hotel Patonga](#)
- **WE HOPE YOU HAVE A GREAT RACE!** Course MAPS are attached

## MAP 1 – ARRIVAL / PARKING / CHECK-IN / WATER ENTRY



## Map 2 - Long course





## Map 3 - Short course

