

**Paddle  
QLD** 

*Pacific Coast*

**OCEAN RACING  
SERIES**



**MORE PEOPLE PADDLING,  
MORE OF THE TIME**





# WELCOME

On behalf of Paddle Queensland, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the Pacific Coast Ocean Racing Series.

The Pacific Coast Ocean Racing Series will bring the Queensland Ocean Racing community together across four events from May to September starting with the Brisbane Paddling Clubs' Moreton Bay Ocean Paddle, the Mooloolaba Paddlers Nordic Kayaks Beach to Beach Ocean Race, the Paddle Queensland 14 Beaches Ocean Race and finishing with the Fraser Coast Regional Councils' Hervey Bay Ocean Classic. The Series will comprise of Male, Female and Mixed classes for Under 19, Under 23, Opens and Masters paddlers on Surf Skis, Spec Skis, Outrigger Canoes, Stand Up Paddle Boards and Stand Up Paddle Foil Boards who will compete for line honours on courses of around 15 km.

As part of the Paddle Australia Canoe Ocean Racing Technical Committees long term strategy, the running of the 2023 and 2024 Paddle Australia Canoe Ocean Racing Championships, as well as the selection of the National Team to represent Australia at the 2024 International Canoe Federation (ICF) Canoe Ocean Racing World Championships has been put on hold whilst an arrangement with Ocean Paddler and the Shaw and Partners Australian Ocean Racing Series (AORS) is explored. This would see the AORS used to crown the 2023 and 2024 Paddle Australia Ocean Racing Champions, as well as selecting the National Team to represent Australia at the 2024 ICF Canoe Ocean Racing World Championships in Madeira, Portugal.

As part of this partnership the Paddle Queensland 14 Beaches Ocean Race will be the first of two Queensland events to be included in the Shaw and Partners Australian Ocean Racing Series in 2023 and 2024.

For 2023 the Paddle Queensland Ocean Racing Champions will be awarded to the top three paddlers based on their final Series ranking. Bonus points will be awarded to paddlers travelling between regions with double points on offer for the 14 Beaches AORS event.

The Paddle Queensland Ocean Racing Series would not be possible without the tremendous support of the following organisations Paddle Australia, Brisbane Paddling Club, Kurrawa Surf Life Saving Club, Mooloolaba Paddlers, the Fraser Coast Regional Council and the Hervey Bay Surf Life Saving Club.

We look forward to seeing you on the water!

Scott Sharples  
Executive Officer





# COMPETITION INFORMATION

## CRAFT

The official craft recognised for the Series are:

<b>SS-1</b>	Surf Ski single	<b>SS-2</b>	Surf Ski double
<b>SLSA-1</b>	Spec Ski single	<b>SLSA-2</b>	Spec Ski double
<b>OC-1</b>	Outrigger Canoe single	<b>OC-2</b>	Outrigger Canoe double
<b>SUP</b>	Stand Up Paddle Board	<b>SUP-F</b>	Stand Up Paddle Foil Board

## AGE GROUPS

Age groups are based on the age you will be on 31/12/2023. The official age groups recognised for the Series are:

<b>UNDER 19</b>	15 - 18	<b>UNDER 23</b>	19 - 22	<b>OPENS</b>	18+
<b>MASTERS</b>	35 - 39	<b>MASTERS</b>	40 - 44	<b>MASTERS</b>	45 - 49
<b>MASTERS</b>	50 - 54	<b>MASTERS</b>	55 - 59	<b>MASTERS</b>	60+

## CLASSES

The official classes for the Series are:

<b>MSS-1</b>	Men Surfski single	<b>WSS-1</b>	Women Surfski single
<b>MSS-2</b>	Men Surfski double	<b>WSS-2</b>	Women Surfski double
<b>MLSA-1</b>	Men Spec ski single	<b>WLSA-1</b>	Women Spec ski single
<b>MLSA-2</b>	Men Spec ski double	<b>WLSA-2</b>	Women Spec ski double
<b>MOC-1</b>	Men Outrigger Canoe single	<b>WOC-1</b>	Women Outrigger Canoe single
<b>MOC-2</b>	Men Outrigger Canoe double	<b>WOC-2</b>	Women Outrigger Canoe double
<b>MSUP</b>	Men SUP	<b>WSUP</b>	Women SUP
<b>MSUP-F</b>	Men Stand Up Paddling Board Foil	<b>WSUP-F</b>	Women Stand Up Paddling Board Foil
<b>XSS-2</b>	Mixed Surfski double	<b>XLSA-2</b>	Mixed Spec ski double
<b>XOC-2</b>	Mixed Outrigger Canoe double		



# SCHEDULE AND POINTS

As of 16 April 2023.

DATE	REGION	NAME	HOST
Saturday 13th May	Brisbane	<a href="#">Moreton Bay Ocean Paddle</a>	Brisbane Paddling Club
Saturday 10th June	Sunshine Coast	<a href="#">Nordic Kayaks Beach to Beach</a>	Mooloolaba Paddlers
July/August TBC	Gold Coast	14 Beaches Ocean Race	Paddle Queensland
Sunday 10th September	Fraser Coast	Hervey Bay Ocean Classic	Paddle Queensland

## POINTS

To be eligible for the Pacific Coast Ocean Racing Series Awards, you must compete in at least three (3) events.

PLACE	POINTS	PLACE	POINTS	PLACE	POINTS
1ST	50	6TH	38	11TH	29
2ND	46	7TH	36	12TH	28
3RD	44	8TH	34	13TH	27
4TH	42	9TH	32	14TH	26
5TH	40	10TH	30	15TH	25

Paddlers in 16th place and beyond will drop one (1) point per place.

## BONUS TRAVEL POINTS

To encourage Series participation, the following Bonus Travel Points will be offered additional to your event placing.

	GOLD COAST	BRISBANE	SUNNY COAST	FRASER COAST
GOLD COAST		1	2	5
BRISBANE	1		1	4
SUNNY COAST	2	1		3
FRASER COAST	5	4	3	