



# 2024 Australian Dragon Boat Championships

17th – 21st April 2024

Champion Lakes, Armadale, Perth WA

## Bulletin 2 – February 2024

AusDBF is looking forward to hosting AusChamps in 2024 in Perth with support from Dragon Boat Western Australia. 2024 will be the 5<sup>th</sup> occasion in which Western Australia has hosted AusChamps namely in 1996 at Fremantle, 2004 (Canning River), 2008 and 2015 at Champion Lakes.

AusDBF would like to take this opportunity to thank the DBWA Organising Committee, which has been working hard to bring you these Championships.

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## Entries received at close of Early Bird (18 February)

### Day 1 – Senior 200m

	Senior A			Senior B			Senior C		
	Mixed	Women	Open	Mixed	Women	Open	Mixed	Women	Open
Standard	10	5	1	4	4	1	7	1	Nil
Small	10	11	11	9	12	9	5	11	5

### Day 2 – Senior 500m

	Senior A			Senior B			Senior C		
	Mixed	Women	Open	Mixed	Women	Open	Mixed	Women	Open
Standard	10	5	1	4	5	1	7	1	Nil
Small	10	11	11	9	12	9	5	9	5

### Day 1/2 – Senior 2km

	Senior A			Senior B			Senior C		
	Mixed	Women	Open	Mixed	Women	Open	Mixed	Women	Open
Standard	8	6	1	4	3	1	7	1	Nil
Small	11	6	10	8	9	8	4	6	5

### Day 3 - State v State 500m

	18U			Premier			Senior A			Senior B			Senior C			Regional			24U
	M	W	O	M	W	O	M	W	O	M	W	O	M	W	O	M	W	O	M
STD	3			5	Nil	2	4			5			5	3	2	5			
SM		4	4	3	5	3		4	3		7	6		3	3		5	5	2

### Day 3 - State v State Team Pursuit

	18U			Premier			Senior A			Senior B			Senior C			Regional			24U
		W	O		W	O		W	O		W	O		W	O		W	O	M
SM		3	3		3	3		4	3		5	5		5	5		5	5	2

### Day 4 – Premier/18U/BCP/ACP 500m

	18U			Premier			BCS (BCP)	ACP
	Mixed	Women	Open	Mixed	Women	Open		
Standard	2	1	1	24	13	7		
Small	3	3	4	16	12	20	5	1

### Day 5 – Premier/18U/BCP/ACP 200m

	18U			Premier			BCS (BCP)	ACP
	Mixed	Women	Open	Mixed	Women	Open		
Standard	2	1	1	24	12	7		
Small	3	3	4	16	12	20	5	1

### Day 4/5 – Premier/18U 2km

	18U			Premier			BCS (BCP)	ACP
	Mixed	Women	Open	Mixed	Women	Open		
Standard	2	1	1	23	9	7		
Small	1	3	2	13	10	16		

## 1. Links to register teams via revSPORT

Day 1 – Seniors 200m+2km - <https://www.ausdbf.com.au/events/217288/>

Day 2 – Seniors 500m+2km - <https://www.ausdbf.com.au/events/217290/>

Day 3 – State v State 500m + 1000m turn race - <https://www.ausdbf.com.au/events/217295/>

Day 4 – Premier/Juniors 500m+ 2km - <https://www.ausdbf.com.au/events/217296/>

Day 5 – Premier/Juniors 200m + 2km - <https://www.ausdbf.com.au/events/217301/>

## 2. Entries: RevolutioniseSport (revSPORT)

- 17 March – deadline for entries close
- Crew lists to be submitted online via revSPORT and close at 6am each morning of competition.

## 3. Entry Fees

Deadline for entries closes midnight **Sunday 17 March 2024** (*entries open 08 January*)

Small boat	\$510.00 including gst per boat
Standard boat	\$850.00 including gst per boat

## 4. Payment for entries

All entries and payments must be entered via revSPORT. AusDBF will be accepting payments by credit card only via revSPORT PIN Payment. The 2% surcharge + \$1.60 will be absorbed by the event.

**AusDBF will be utilising 2 modules for the Australian Championships.**

- The **Event Module** – which is where you will register and pay for your entries and an invoice will be produced.
- The **Regatta Module** – create and submit your crew lists. Entries **close on the 17 March**. AusDBF will enter all the entries into the Regatta Module. From here clubs will be able to enter participant names and create crew lists.

**Note 1:** AusDBF will confirm with Team Managers once entries have been loaded. Team Managers will then be able to start entering crew lists.

**Note 2:** If under Annex 5, your club is borrowing competitors from another club, the Team Manager must contact AusDBF to enter the borrowed competitors onto the crew list. The names of any borrowed competitors must be communicated to AusDBF by 1 April at the latest to ensure they are included on the crew lists correctly and to avoid issues in marshalling.

- 'Crews' Module** and 'add crew list'.

**Note 3:** Do not leave entering your crew lists to the last minute. AusDBF recommends entering crew lists as early as possible. Only minor changes should be made prior to close off. This will also ensure competitors names are included on the souvenir t-shirts supplied by event supplier.

- AusDBF will be using the electronic marshalling process to check off crew lists. Double check they are correct and don't leave it to the last minute to submit them.
- To attend AusChamps all participants **must have a photo on their revSPORT profile**, which is up to date for easy recognition in marshalling. Photos must be a headshot only; sunglasses must not be worn.

## 5. AusChamps entry cancellations and refunds

To avoid having to request refunds, double check your entries before pressing submit.

Refer to Annex 2 to Part 1 in the AusDBF Rules of Racing.

Entries will be refunded prior to close of entry (17 March). Request for refunds after close of entry will be rejected. Copy of refund request form can be downloaded from the AusDBF website -

<https://www.ausdbf.com.au/events1/>

## 6. Flag Bearers

A reminder that all Member States need to select their Flag Bearers and ensure they can attend the **Flag Bearer Ceremony on Friday 19 April**.

All Member States must confirm the name of their Flag Bearer including jpeg photo of the Flag Bearer and 10 lines on why the Flag Bearer was selected by **Sunday 17 March** to [businessservices@ausdbf.com.au](mailto:businessservices@ausdbf.com.au)

## 7. Opening Ceremony

Further details on the Opening Ceremony will be provided in Bulletin 3.

## 8. Souvenir Program

A souvenir program will only be available online in PDF format for paddlers to download from the website. Please provide a jpeg club photo, website, email and social media handles and one fun & memorable fact about your club by **Sunday 17 March**.

No late submissions will be accepted. Please include in the subject line 'Souvenir Program and your club's name' to [businessservices@ausdbf.com.au](mailto:businessservices@ausdbf.com.au)

## 9. Boats

DBWA will be providing two fleets of Standard boats (Champion) and two fleets of Small boats (Peisheng – latest model) to be used for the 2024 AusChamps.

## 10. Training sessions

Clubs wishing to book a training session on Tuesday 16 April – click on this link to request your time – [bookings@dbwa.net.au](mailto:bookings@dbwa.net.au) – Opens 1 March.

## 11. PFD Requirements

AusDBF has received numerous requests already from clubs about PFD requirements. Refer to -

- AusDBF Rules of Racing (CR7.9) - <https://www.ausdbf.com.au/events1/auschamps/>
- Sweep classification document - <https://www.ausdbf.com.au/ausdbf-courses/sweep-information/>
- Sweep Guidelines (2.21 – pg13) – <https://www.ausdbf.com.au/ausdbf-courses/sweep-information/>
- AusDBF Safety Handbook (3.4 – pg11) - <https://www.ausdbf.com.au/ausdbf-courses/sweep-information/>

From 01 July 2023, it was made mandatory for any person in a dragon boat not paddling to wear a PFD during both training sessions or regattas. Also, all persons that meet either one, or all, of the below **MUST wear a PFD** when both training and competing at regattas:

- a) All persons under the age of 18 at AusDBF events (AusChamps).
- b) All persons who are unable to swim at least 50m OR who are not water competent.

Race officials will be regularly checking crews are following the above requirements – especially drummers and sweeps. All clubs note AusChamps organisers will have limited number of PFD's available for use on race day(s).

## 12. Jon Taylor Memorial Award

Recognises outstanding achievements and contributions made by an individual who has assisted with the development and growth of the sport of dragon boat racing in Australia. This is awarded at the Australian Dragon Boat Championships annually.

Nominations close – **Monday 11 March** - <https://www.ausdbf.com.au/about-us/roll-of-honour/>

## 13. Competition Rules and Regulations

**Edition 11** of the AusDBF Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing will be in use for these Championships. AusDBF encourages all clubs to have read the latest rules to ensure your entries comply. The rules and regulations may be downloaded here: <https://www.ausdbf.com.au/events1/>

## 14. Exemption Requests (*refer CR3.4*)

*Refer to Annex 3 to Part 1* in the Competition Rules and Regulations.

<https://www.ausdbf.com.au/policies/> - click to download copy of exemption request form.

Clubs are reminded exemption requests must first be submitted to your Member State for endorsement. If exemption is supported, the Member State will forward the exemption request to AusDBF for consideration. The \$20 exemption fee must be received by AusDBF before exemption will be considered. AusDBF will not consider any exemption requests direct from clubs which have not been supported by their Member State and will be returned.

It is highly recommended for a quick response; clubs include as much information as possible to avoid delays in the processing the paperwork.

## 15. Managers Meeting

Manager's Meeting will be held on Zoom on **Friday 12 April at 6pm (WA) / 7:30pm (SA/NT) / 8pm (QLD/NSW/ACT/VIC/TAS)**. Link will be forward to registered Team Managers and sweeps.

A brief daily meeting will be onsite each morning at 7am to go over any issues from the day before which may have arisen and need to be addressed.

## 16. Social Media

Information regarding the 2024 Australian Dragon Boat Championships can be found on the below.

<https://www.ausdbf.com.au/events1/auschamps/>

<https://www.facebook.com/AusChampsAusDBF>

## 17. Live Results

Results can be viewed via phones or tablet from revSPORT – link to be shared closer to event.

## 18. Live Streaming

2024 AusChamps will once again be live streamed via MySportLiveTV – link to be shared closer to event.

## 19. Drones

Use of private drones is not permitted at Champion Lakes during 2024 AusChamps. Any individuals found flying drones may face disciplinary action under the AusDBF Disciplinary Code.

## 20. Merchandising

Team Elite have been appointed to provide the event merchandise for the 2024 AusChamps.

<https://shop.teamelite.com.au/collections/ausdbf-online-store>

Sample of merchandising available



## 21. Risk Management and First Aid

The Risk and Safety Officer appointed for the 2024 AusChamps is Andrew Murray from ERMS group. St John's Ambulance will be providing First Aid services.

## 22. Sunrise and sunset times

The sunrise and sunset times in Perth at the time of the event are shown below.

Date	Sunrise	Sunset
Wednesday 17 April	06:38am	17:52pm
Thursday 18 April	06:39am	17:51pm
Friday 19 April	06:40am	17:49pm
Saturday 20 April	06:40am	17:49pm
Sunday 21 April	06:41am	17:48pm

## 23. Projected temperature forecast in April 2024 for Perth

14 to 25 degrees each day.

## 24. Program

Date	Program
<b>Tuesday 16 April</b>	Training sessions Click on this link to book -
<b>Day 1</b> <b>Wednesday 17 April</b> Sunrise: 6:38am Sunset: 17:52pm	7am – Opening Ceremony - Welcome to Country / Blessing of Boats Athletes / Race Officials Oath  <b>Seniors A/B/C – 200m + 2km</b> 7:30am – marshalling 8am (first race at the start pontoon) Program will run: 1. Mixed 2. Women 3. Open 4. Open/women – 2km Last race before sunset
<b>Day 2</b> <b>Thursday 18 April</b> Sunrise: 6:39am Sunset: 17:51pm	<b>Seniors A/B/C – 500m + 2km</b> 7:30am – marshalling 8am (first race at the start pontoon) Program will run: 1. Mixed 2. Women 3. Open 4. Mixed – 2km Last race before sunset
<b>Day 3</b> <b>Friday 19 April</b> Sunrise: 6:40am Sunset: 17:50pm	<b>State v State Championships</b> State Flag Bearers Ceremony <b>500m + 1000m turn race</b> (Open/Women small boat)  Jnr/24U/Premier/Snr – A/B/C
<b>Day 4</b> <b>Saturday 20 April</b> Sunrise: 6:40am Sunset: 17:49pm	<b>Premier / Junior / BCP / ACP – 500m + 2km</b> 7:30am – marshalling 8am (first race at the start pontoon) Program will run: 1. Mixed 2. Women 3. Open 4. Mixed – 2km Last race before sunset
<b>Day 5</b> <b>Sunday 21 April</b>	<b>Premier / Junior / BCP / ACP – 200m + 2km</b> 7:30am – marshalling

Sunrise: 6:41am Sunset: 17:48pm	8am (first race at the start pontoon) Program will run: 1. Mixed 2. Women 3. Open 4. Open & Women – 2km Last race before sunset
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**Note:** Dependent upon the number of entries particularly on Day 1 and Day 2 (Senior racing), AusDBF may need to review the format of the race program to ensure there is sufficient daylight hours to run the full program as outlined above.