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### Lake Mac FLURO RUN Welcome



Welcome to the first ever Poker Run on Lake Macquarie, bought to you by the Nautilus Marine Great Australian Poker Run Supporting MS.

Great Australian Poker Run is fully committed to giving you, your friends and families awesome and safe day on the water.

This booklet will help you understand what to expect of us, and what's expected of you. We take safety very seriously, and we ask that you make sure you understand exactly what that means to you and your crew.



# Course Etiquette (the spirit of the run)



- This is not a race, it's a charity rally, just like a car club would do, but we're on the water.
- Each team skipper is responsible for the safety of their crew and the crews around them.
- Waterways will be attending the event and we have their support.
- Standard waterways rules apply, and boat owners / drivers are fully responsible for their own actions on the water. Crews may get asked to stop by patrol, so make sure you have all the necessary safety gear.
- You will be allocated a start number, and are expected to arrive at checkpoints and finish in that order.
- Expect to be stopped by water police, so you'll need to be fully compliant with the regulations.



# Friday 12<sup>th</sup> KEY times

TIME	PLACE
12pm – 5pm	Marmong Point Marina – 1 Nanda Street, Marmong Point – We will be on-site all day to help with briefing information, so pop in anytime. Just be there by 5pm for when the party starts. Sign in: pick up boat card, wristbands, and your boats first poker card.
TRAILER BOAT PARKING	Please go to Lake Macquarie High School to park trailer boats. There is no trailer boat parking at the Marmong Point Marina. Lake Macquarie High School Address is: 16 Marmong Street, Booragul NSW 2284 – it is a short walk from the high school to the Marina.
CRUISER PARKING	If you have a marina berth booked at Marmong Point Marina, please let them know your ETA by calling: 02 4958 3333
5pm – 6:30pm	Briefing party officially starts withy live music, meet the drivers, super boat display, food truck (DINNER IS INCLUDED IN YOUR TICKET PRICE), licensed bar.
6:30pm – 7pm	Official welcome by Les Binkin from Marmong Point Marina, and Live Auction by Alex Ross from Great Australian Poker Run.
7pm – 8:30pm	Official briefing party concludes





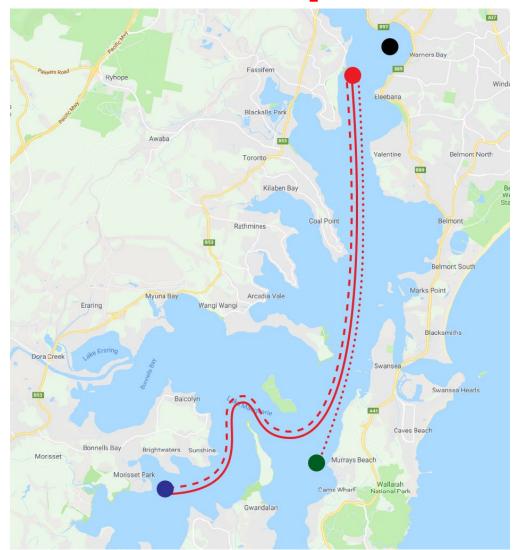
# Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> Key times

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Poker Run

TIME	PLACE
8:30am – arrive by boat to the official POKER RUN Houseboat	The Official POKER RUN HOUSEBOAT will be parked between Warners Bay and Marmong Point. There will be MS signage around the houseboat. The first boat will start from here at 9am.
9am	First boat departs houseboat, towards Trinity Point. (Roughly 40 mins at 25 kts)
10am – 12pm	Arrive at trinity Point for Bacon and Egg rolls, SECOND CARD, and a relaxing morning on the lake. At 12pm we depart in the same order as we started, and head back to the houseboat to watch the race boats.
1pm – 2pm	HOUSEBOAT RAFT UP and watch race 1 of the Offshore Super boats, listen to music and have a ball. Poker Run staff will idle around and hand out your boats THIRD CARD.
2pm	Depart houseboat raft up and head towards Murrays Beach Roughly 40 mins at 25 kts)
3pm	FORTH CARD will be handed out, while boats idle through past the Poker Run card boat to collect your boats card out of a pool scoop.
3pm – 5pm	Make your way back to Marmong Point Marina. Trailer Boats park at Lake Macquarie High school, and make your way to the marina for the after party.
5pm – 8pm	Official after party and FIFTH CARD, licensed bar, food truck, live music, best dressed winner and poker hand winner.
8pm	Lake Mac FLURO Poker Run ends.



## Course map





#### MAP LEGEND

- Offshore Superboats Course
- START: Official Poker Run Houseboat
- CARD 2: Trinity Point Marina
- Card 3: Offshore Superboat Course
- CARD 4: Murrays Beach
- ■ 1<sup>st</sup> LEG: Official Houseboat Trinity Point Marina
- 2<sup>nd</sup> LEG: Trinity Point Marina Official Houseboat
- ••••• 3<sup>rd</sup> LEG: Official Houseboat Murrays Beach



## FRIDAY Arriving by road – Trailer Boat Parking



- If your accommodation won't facilitate trailer parking, please feel free to use the FREE parking at the Lake Macquarie High School at 16 Marmong Street, Booragul NSW 2284
- We will have signage and a couple of people at the gate of then high school to help with parking
- We will lock the gates, and have the trailers well lit over-night. It is advised that you remove valuables and lock trailers. Gates will open at 6:30am on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup>.
- It is a short 700m walk to the Marmong Point Marina which is at 1 Nanda St Marmong Point.
- There will be no trailer parking at Marmong Point Marina.



## FRIDAY Arriving by boat - Cruiser Parking



- If you have booked a marina berth at Marmong Point Marina, please contact the marina to advise of ETA - PH: 02 4958 3333
- If you have a marina berth elsewhere on the lake, please arrive at the marina for the briefing party by road, as there will be no cruiser parking for this event, unless prebooked.
- Please look for the official poker run event office to collect your first card, collect wrist bands, and buy merchandise.



## SATURDAY – Trailer Boat logistics



- Lake Macquarie High School gates will open at 6:30am for you to collect your boat.
- Please select any number of Lake Macquarie boat ramps to launch your boat.
- NOTE: ELEEBANA Boat Ramp is CLOSED
- Suggested boat ramps to use are:
  - Speers Point boat ramp 62 Creek Reserve Rd, Speers Point NSW 2284
  - Croudace Bay boat ramp 66 Bareki Rd, Eleebana NSW 2282
- You will retrieve your boat from the same ramp as you launched
- Make your way to the official POKER RUN HOUSEBOAT by 8:30am, which will be parked between Warners Bay and Marmong Point.



## SATURDAY Arriving by boat – Cruiser Parking



- Please be on the water by 8:30am and head towards the OFFICIAL POKER RUN HOUSEBOAT
- Poker run staff will idle around and help with start ordering and on-water management.



## On the LAKE



#### **Starting**

We will start and continue the run in numerical order.

On Friday night each boat will be given a number. Your number is your start and run number.

We will start boat number 1 at 9am from the houseboat.

Boat number 2 will go immediately after, and so on, until all boat have departed.

#### Stay in order

Stay in your order. Not only for safety, but for slick event management we ask that you remain in single file and in your number order for the event.



## Poker Cards



- There are 5 cards dealt per boat, which are included in the event price.
- The best hand is declared the winner (winnings = \$1000 Nautilus voucher, offshore superboat team merch pack, and an 18 inch, 12 volt Palsonic portable TV and DVD player).
- 5 boats play per deck of cards, and we play multiple decks of cards.
- After dealing all 5 hands per deck, there are 27 cards left in each deck, which can be purchased, with all proceeds going to MS.
- In the case of a draw: All drawn players will be invited to the table to play the final hand. Each player will be dealt 5 cards and will play as per the rules above. Purchasing cards is allowed until the deck is exhausted.



# Safety



- All boats, and crew will comply at all times with standard safety regulations and maritime laws in relation to boating.
- All Vessels participating to carry mandated safety gear for Inland waterways.
- All vessels are to have current registration and insurance.
- Escort Boats will participate in the event to ensure clear communication and to provide a controlled presence on the water. They will carry a Green flag.
- A Chase boat will follow the fleet at all times and document/Communicate any retirements from the event.
- An appointed First Aid officer will travel in one of the escort boats for the duration of the journey.



# Safety Continued



- All boats are to have full public liability insurance
- No water skiing will be allowed during this event.
- There is to be no overtaking on the lake unless the boat you are passing is stopped.
- **CLEARANCE**: We expect a minimum of 50 metres between boats at all times. Failure to observe this will result instant disqualification.
- Dangerous or Reckless behaviour will not be tolerated. The objective is a social cruise amongst like-minded individuals. Any boat crew behaving recklessly will be omitted from the event and reported to maritime authorities.
- AS THE LAKE IS OPEN TO ALL BOATERS THERE IS A 40mph SPEED LIMIT IN PLACE. THIS IS NOT A RACE AND DRIVERS SHOULD EXPECT TO ENCOUNTER NORMAL LAKE TRAFFIC INCLUDING HOUSEBOATS, FISHING VESSELS AND OTHER SOCIAL CRAFT.



# First Aid & Emergency Services



#### First Aid & Emergency Services

The first Aid officer will be located at the Marmong Point Marina registration Area prior to departure. They will travel with the fleet in an escort boat during the entire run.

#### **Incident Reporting & Management**

All Incidents are to be reported in the first instance to the relevant emergency services. Then the Safety officer should be notified of the incident and any actions taken. The safety officer will then co-ordinate with first aid and Escort boats the relevant actions.



# **Emergency Numbers**

#### **SAVE THESE INTO YOUR PHONES**

If someone is in the water, and hurt badly, call 000 immediately

Lake Macquarie Police 02 4922 8799

Brett Boehm – Maritime Control 0428 626 603

Glen Haywall – Maritime Control 0418 976 166

Incident reports 13 12 36

Alex Ross, Organiser 0418 400 077

Michael Livermore, event support 0408 654 803



# Sydney Lake Mac Fluro run Pledge



As a Poker Runner you embrace and respect the culture and family element of the Poker Run and agree to the Poker Run Pledge

#### I pledge the following:

- I pledge that I will not overtake the boat in front of me (unless the poor bugger's broken down).
- I pledge that I will make the safety of my crew, and the safety of all the other crews my only priority.
- I pledge that I will not race. I will not race. I will not race.
- I pledge that I will try as hard as I can to raise as much money for MS as possible.
- I pledge that I will have one of the most fun and exciting days on the water ever.
- I pledge that I will remember the bungs.





# SEEYOU THERE!

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