

# Betta Boat Race

26 January

Organised by the Henley-on-Mersey Management Committee

Build a Betta Milk container boat and race it at Henley-on-Mersey.



## Competition Rules

It is the intention of the organisers that all competition and spectators enjoy a SAFE event, with the goal in mind we ask that you observe the following rules -

1. All craft must be constructed primarily utilising Betta milk containers.
2. Craft can be either a monohull or catamaran type design - separate categories will be awarded should sufficient entries in both be received.
3. It is highly desirous that craft be decorated / constructed to reflect Australia Day.
4. Sharp protrusions must not be attached to the craft.
5. The use of ropes to tie paddles, persons or gear to craft is prohibited.
6. For the safety of competitors, personal flotation devices must be worn. **NO LIFEJACKET - NO RACE.**
7. Wet suits, warm weather clothing and HELMETS are strongly recommended.
8. **Sneakers are considered essential.**
9. Throwing projectiles is prohibited. Persons found throwing projectiles may be ejected from the grounds.
10. If withdrawing from the race, it is important to notify an official.
11. NO StyroFoam eskies or products are permitted on rafts competing in races.
12. Follow the instructions of the river safety personnel while on the river.
13. No alcoholic beverages are to be taken on the river or consumed prior to the race.
14. The organisers reserve the right to run additional categories.
15. The organisers may refuse entry to a race or the grounds in the interest of safety or public order.
16. River events and races are at your own risk.
17. "Waiver and Release" risk recognition forms must be completed by all competitors or by parent/guardians prior to participation in the race.

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Race Entry and Registrations will be accepted:

- **prior to the event** to 176 Percival Street, Latrobe or,
- **on 26 January** at the Secretary's Office 30 minutes prior to the first race

Races will be held for -

- a team of three (3) on the one craft
- individual on a craft

All craft can be optionally decorated to reflect Australia Day.

Entry is subject to compliance with the Competition Rules.

The establishment of relationships with businesses that retail Betta Milk beverages may be beneficial in securing sufficient supplies of Betta Milk containers from which to create your craft.

There is no entry fee charged for participation in the Betta Boat Race. An entry fee into Henley-on-Mersey applies.

All craft must be delivered to the registration site within Bells Parade, Latrobe between 8.00 am and 9.00 am on 26 January. No vehicular access will be permitted at any other time.

**The Betta Boat races will be held throughout the day**

Team Details (a Waiver Form must also be completed for each person on your team):

Team Name: .....

	Participant Name	Address	Home Phone
1			
2			
3			

**Please note: The wearing of personal flotation device is compulsory and helmets are advised!**

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## Waiver and Release

**WARNING: - BY SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT YOU GIVE UP THE RIGHT TO RECOVER COMPENSATION THROUGH THE COURTS OR OTHERWISE FOR ANY PERSONAL INJURIES OR DAMAGE SUFFERED BY YOU ARISING OUT OF YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THE BETTA BOAT RACE EVEN IF THE INJURIES OR DAMAGE ARE CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE EVENT ORGANISERS.**

1. I have read the conditions of entry for this event and understand the physical nature of the event. I am prepared for this event and I am not aware of any medical condition or impairment, which affects my ability to participate in the event.
2. I acknowledge that participating in this event has inherent dangers and risks including the risk of serious injury or even death.
3. I agreed that if I suffer injury or illness, the Event Organiser may, at my cost, arrange medical treatment and/or emergency evacuation as deemed essential for my safety.
4. I acknowledge that it is a condition of participating in this event that I do so at my own risk. I accept all risks.
5. I hereby, to the full extent permitted by law, waive all legal rights of action against and fully release the event organiser, its agents, employees, members and volunteers for loss, damages, injury or death howsoever arising out of or in relation to my participation in this event including without limitation, liability for any negligence or tortious act or omission on the part of the persons released.
6. I confirm that I have read and understand this Agreement prior to signing it and agree that this Agreement will be binding on my heirs, next of kin, executors, administrators and successors.

Name .....

Address .....

Telephone .....

Signature .....

Date .....

7. As parent/guardian of a participant aged under eighteen (18) years of age, I confirm that I have read and understand the risks involved with both the activity and the ramifications of this Agreement.

Name of Parent/Guardian .....

Address .....

Telephone .....

Signature .....

Date .....