

INFORMATION SHEET

2008 EDGE HOTEL/MOTEL MILDURA 100 EASTER SKI RACE 21st,22nd and 23rd March 2008

SPONSORS

This year once again our Major Sponsor is THE EDGE HOTEL/MOTEL and this is their 10th year which is truly a magnificent effort. Great assistance has also been provided from Savage Force, Star FM, Win Television, Mildura Settlers, GTS, Coca Cola & McDonalds - Mildura. Please make sure you support these businesses and our other sponsors, for without their support, we would not have the financial assistance needed to run a race of this magnitude.

The Edge Hotel/Motel is in their Tenth year with The Mildura 100 Ski Race, and is the place to be over Easter. The Edge is located just over the Chaffey Bridge in NSW.

Star FM and Win Television are on board to join the Mildura 100 once again. Wins Film Crew will be at the event trying to catch as much footage as they can.

Settlers Mildura is supporting the race this year. Friday sees the staging of the 'Settlers Mildura Show n Shine' in Eighth Street between Madden Ave and Orange Avenue. Whilst Saturday afternoon GTS are backing the 'Dash for Cash', to establish the starting positions for Sundays Super Class Event. Settlers Mildura will also have their Restaurant and Bar open for meals over the weekend with the Bar operating and staying open till late.

Savage Force will be providing all our merchandise for the weekend. Merchandise will be available at scrutineering on Friday and at the Ski Club on Saturday and Sunday. Don't miss out!

SCRUTINEERING

10am to 4pm Good Friday

*Scrutineering will be conducted at the GTS Transports NEW Depot, Cnr of 14th Street and Benetook Avenue. Boats attending the Settlers Mildura Show n Shine will be scrutineered on site. All boats must be scrutineered without exception. Please have all your crews' helmets, jackets and skis ready for inspection. If you have received a request to supply more information please make sure you bring it all to scrutineering. **PLEASE REMEMBER THAT SCRUTINEERING WILL ONLY BE CONDUCTED ON FRIDAY. Be sure to bring your Log Book.***

SETTLERS MILDURA SHOW N SHINE

This year we have a great new sponsor and a great new bigger and better location, With the help of The Setts we have doubled the prize money for the “Best Presented Inboard” and the “Best Presented Outboard” so PLEASE come and support this event in its new location

RACING EASTER SATURDAY

Social Class Boats No's 1-70 will be launched at the Ski Club and Boats 71+ will be launched at Baldwin Boats.

There will be NO access to the Bridge Ramp at all over Easter Saturday or Sunday.

8.30 am *Briefing at the club site for all **Social classes**. Attendance, sign in is compulsory for all drivers and observers – **GET YOUR BOATS IN THE WATER BEFORE BRIEFING TO PREVENT ANY DELAYS, OUR START WILL BE AT 9.30 SHARP.***

9.30 am: *First Social Boat away.*

12.00 noon: *Expected start time for return leg of social classes.*

3.00 pm: *“GTS” Dash for Cash. **

3.30 pm: *Presidents Invitational Dash, Veterans, Senior Social, Tadpoles & Disabled. **

** Estimated start time due to paddleboats.*

*Briefing for **Expert classes, Dash for Cash, Presidents Dash, Veterans, Senior Social, Tadpoles and Disabled** will be held at GTS depot Cnr 14th Street & Benetook Avenue, Mildura **at 11am on Saturday morning**. Attendance by drivers and observers is compulsory, as you will have to sign in.*

Drivers and Observers need only attend one of the briefing times e.g. If you are competing Saturday afternoon and you attended the Social Briefing at 8.30am Saturday morning, you are not required to attend the 11 am briefing, but do not forget to sign in at briefing.

3.00 pm: *GTS's “Dash For Cash”. Pschye Bend to the Ski Club 14 km. All boats must be launched from the ski club and they are then required to make their way up to Pschye Bend. Only competitors may make their way in boats if there is adequate seating. A bus will depart the Ski Club site at approx. 1.30 pm to transport competitors to Pschye Bend. **No bow riding is permitted.** This act will be policed by Waterways personnel. Dash for Cash starts will be at two minute intervals, **one boat at a time** and placings will rank for Sundays start order in line with rule requirements. Any Super Class boats not competing in the Dash will receive a start at the rear of Super Class. Following the running of the Dash for Cash all entrants are to collect a new set of race numbers from the information point (Clubroom, Upstairs) to signify their correct start position for Sunday. Any boat not displaying the correct number on Sunday will be penalized.*

3.30 pm: *Presidents Dash, Veterans, Senior Social, Tadpoles and Disabled. Same instructions for launching as per Super Class. Start procedure will be one boat away, 30 seconds apart with*

2 minutes between each class. Odd numbers to the left (Vic Side), even numbers to the Right (NSW Side)

Remember: *All Dash for Cash, Presidents Dash, Veterans, Senior Social, Tadpoles & Disabled drivers and observers may be breath tested.*

Boats competing in both days racing must have correct numbers displayed for appropriate classes. This is to avoid confusion in the start area, and to enable judges to give you a finish time. Penalties will be given to anyone displaying incorrect race numbers.

RACING EASTER SUNDAY

Race Numbers 1 - 100 Will be launched at the Ski Club ramp

Race Numbers 101 + Will be launched at Baldwins Boat Ramp (river end Etiwanda Ave. via spectators entry)

9.30 am: First Superclass boat away from the club site.

12.30pm: Expected time of first boat to start on return leg

Boats launched at the Baldwins Boat Ramp on **Sunday, (Race numbers 101 +), are **unable** to come back into the Trailer park at the Ski Club after their race, due to a space shortage. They will be able to park in the paddock beside "Baldwin Boats" this will be marked with signs. Trailer Passes with numbers on them will let boats into the Ski Club Trailer park on Sunday; Trailer Passes without numbers will be able to park in the paddock next to Baldwin Boats. .*

GENERAL: SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

Presentations:

Saturdays classes will be presented after Racing Saturday

Sundays Classes will be presented after racing Sunday.

Start Procedure

Start Procedure for both days will be one boat away, 30 seconds apart, odd numbers to the left (NSW side) even numbers to the right side (Vic side) with the exception of Super class which will be 1 minute apart.

Competitor Passes

Every Crew will receive 5 wristbands for the day of their event (Saturday wristband different to Sunday) & one tow pass (for windscreen of tow vehicle) and one trailer pass (to be placed on the trailer) to enter the Ski Club site for the weekend. Trailer Passes will be numbered for boats allowed in the Ski Club on Saturday

and Sunday. **DO NOT** leave your pass behind- **NO PASS, NO ENTRY, NO REFUND.** Make sure your entire crew is aware of this.

Supply of Fuel:

Due to circumstances out of our control, we are unable to supply Avgas you will need to make your own arrangements.

There will be no Refuelling at Wickets Point

Safety During Practice:

The Murray River is only closed water between 9.00 am to 2.00 pm, (Ski Club to Wickets) and 2.00 pm to 5.00 pm (Ski Club to Psyche Bend) Easter Saturday and 8.00 am to 4.30 pm (Ski Club to Wickets) Easter Sunday. Waterways regulations apply for all other times and no special privileges apply to teams practicing. The Waterways have advised that anyone breaking normal rules (this includes following racing lines on the wrong side of the river) will be prosecuted and ask that everyone use common sense and care at all times.

The Wickets Turn Around and the paddocks at the start area are all privately owned, and we cannot run the race without the assistance of these owners. We request that everyone treat the property with respect to ensure we have a race again next year.

Trailer Park at Ski Club

Upon entering at the Club Site you will be directed straight into the trailer park area. There will be no dropping boats off at ramp. From there an attendant will direct you to park your boat with your car being positioned next to your boat. Remember to give way to the tractor drivers when entering and leaving the trailer park area. A Queuing area will be set aside from where a tractor driver will enter or remove your boat from ramp area. Remember this has been done for your benefit so please don't abuse the system.

Access Road and Area around the Ski Club:

This is a sensitive area with Council and the Department of Conservation, who have a policy of keeping traffic away from the riverfront. Please do not disturb the trees or remove any of the red gum barricades. If you see anyone abusing this, please stop them, as we don't want to give anyone a reason to stop our race in future years. The access road is narrow and can create traffic jams if not used properly. There will again be strict one way traffic with no parking along the entire entrance road. **NO CAMPING** is available near the Ski Club Site, we apologise for any inconvenience but it is totally out of our Clubs control.

Alcohol

The Ski Club and Surrounds are a licenced area, no alcohol is to be brought in or to leave this area.

All boats will be checked on entering the competitors gate, please have boats untarped for inspection.

Misconduct against any of our volunteers, staff etc., over the weekend will not be acceptable!!!

SHOW N SHINE GOOD FRIDAY 9 AM TO 1 PM

Settlers Mildura are proud sponsors of the **“Show n Shine”**.

This year the event will be held on Friday from 9 am to 1.00 pm Eighth Street between Madden Avenue and Orange Avenue

This year's classes are:

Best Presented Outboard \$500-00

Best Presented Inboard \$500-00

Please remember the street is an “alcohol free zone” so please do not drink.

BOATS CAN BE SCRUTINEERED AT THE “SHOW N SHINE”.

RIVER CLOSURES

SATURDAY: River closed at the City ramp all day

River Closed 1km downstream from the Club to Wickets 9.00am to 2.00 pm

River closed 1km downstream from Club to Psyche 2.00 pm to 5.00pm

5.00pm River open for all remaining areas

SUNDAY: River closes from Ski Club to Wickets 8.00am to 4.30pm

4.30pm River open for all traffic