

MAY DAY REGATTA

Incorporating
Queensland Heron State Championship



Lake Cootharaba Sailing Club

24 Boreen Pde, Boreen Point

<https://lcsc.org.au>



2nd – 3rd May 2026

NOTICE OF RACE

1. INVITATION

1.1. The Lake Cootharaba Sailing Club (LCSC) invites entries to the 2026 May Day Regatta. The Heron Qld State Titles are being run in conjunction with this event.

2. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

2.1. The Organizing Authority (OA) for this event is the Lake Cootharaba Sailing Club Inc. (ABN 30 624 557 096)

3. RULES

- 3.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the [Racing Rules of Sailing](#) (RRS), [the Special Regulations of Australian Sailing](#), and by the Sailing Instructions.
- 3.2. The Heron State Titles will also be governed by the class association rules as laid out in the National Heron Sailing Association of Australia (NHSAA) By Laws.
- 3.3. RRS rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a 360° Turn Penalty.

4. ENTRIES

- 4.1. The 2026 Qld Heron State Championships are open to all boats of the Heron Class with an A Class Certificate. Skippers must also be financial members of the National Heron Sailing Association of Australia Inc. (NHSAA).
- 4.2. The May Day Regatta is open to all other Monohull classes (excluding Wetas and Trailer Sailors). Separate divisions and/or starts will be created depending on the number of entries.
- 4.3. All skippers and crews must have a valid Australian Sailing (AS) number and be current members of an AS affiliated sailing club.
- 4.4. Entries close at 5:00pm on Thursday 30th April 2026. All entries must be made online at the link that will be published on the LCSC website.

5. FEES

- 5.1. The entry fee for the regatta is \$95 (inc. GST) per visiting boat and \$85 (inc. GST) per boat for LCSC members. Entry fees for boats skippered by sailors less than 23 years of age as at 1 May 2026 is \$65 (inc. GST) per visiting boat and \$55 (inc. GST) per boat for LCSC club members.
- 5.2. Although the OA does not guarantee that late entries will be accepted, if they are accepted a late entry fee of \$50 (inc. GST) will apply.
- 5.3. The entry fee also includes a free BBQ for the skipper at the club on the Saturday evening. Additional tickets for crews, families and other supporters will be available for purchase at the time of entry and/or at the club during the event. Alternatively, competitors can bring their own food and non-alcoholic drinks and use the club's BBQ free of charge.

6. SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Event	Comment
Saturday 2/5/26	0900 -1030	Registration	
Saturday 2/5/26	1100 - 1130	Competitor Briefing	Upstairs in clubhouse
Saturday 2/5/26	Not before 1230	Race session1	Back-to-back races

Saturday 2/5/26	1800 - 2000	BBQ Toad races!	Upstairs in clubhouse – the club bar will be open. All competitors welcome.
Sunday 3/5/26	Not before 1030	Race session 2	Back-to-back
Sunday 3/5/26	Not before 30 min of AP on shore down	Race session 3	Back-to-back
Sunday 3/5/26	After racing finishes	Prize giving	Upstairs in clubhouse
Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ AP over H flown from the start boat will signal lunch break on Sunday. ○ No races will start after 1530 on Sunday. ○ Presentations will be held as soon as possible after the finish of the last race. ○ Every effort will be made to ensure no race session lasts longer than 2.5 hours. 		

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

7.1. The sailing instructions will be available online at the LCSC website. No printed copies will be issued by LCSC, but a copy may be posted on the club noticeboard.

8. COURSES

8.1. Triangle and windward/leeward courses may be used as described in the Sailing Instructions.

9. SCORING

9.1. Up to 7 races are scheduled, two races will constitute a series.

9.2. When four races or less have been completed, then a boat's final score will be the total of its race scores.

9.3. When five or more races have been completed then a boat's final score will be the total of its race scores excluding its worst score (1 drop).

9.4. The results will be published on the LCSC website.

10. PRIZES

10.1. Heron Qld State Championship

1st overall on scratch – The Peter Carey Memorial Trophy

1st, 2nd, 3rd overall on scratch - vouchers

1st Youth skipper and crew (both under 23 years on 1 May 2026)

1st Female skipper

1st, 2nd, 3rd novice skipper and crew (skipper & crew must have been sailing less than 5 years) – prizes for this division kindly donated by South Brisbane SC.

10.2. May Day Regatta

1st, 2nd, 3rd overall in each division.

1st Youth sailor (under 23 as at 1 May 2026)

10.3. Other prizes may be awarded at the race committee's discretion.

11. Novice Training & Coaching (Herons only)

11.1. Entrants in the Novice Division are allowed to receive coaching from 1 x coach boat during the championship races under condition that this coaching activity does not interfere with other competing boats.

11.2. Race training for entrants to the Novice division will be offered on Friday 1 May. More details available from Robert Preston (m. 0417 272 218, e. president@sbsc.org.au).

12. INSURANCE

12.1. All competing boats must have third party liability insurance cover of an amount of not less than AU\$10,000,000 for the duration of the event. By entering the event, a competitor warrants that he/she has the required insurance cover. Although a competitor may be asked to provide evidence that they do have the required insurance cover, failure to ask for such evidence does not make the Organizing Authority liable in any way.

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

13.1. Competitors participate in these regattas entirely at their own risk. See RRS rule 3, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability, including for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained, in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

14. TELEVISION AND PHOTOGRAPHER'S RIGHTS

14.1. Competitors give permission for video footage or photographs of themselves and/or their boats to be published in any media for press, editorial or advertising purposes.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

15.1. For further information please contact:

- May Day Regatta– Warren Myles (rearcomm@lcsc.org.au or 0414 303 019).
- Heron Qld State Championships – Warren Myles or Justin Carey (justinpvcarey@gmail.com or 0455 068 101).

16. ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

16.1. The campground at the lake requires early booking via the Noosa Shire Council <http://www.noosaholidayparks.com.au/boreen-point>.

16.2. The Apollonian Hotel has dormitory style rooms contact Lou on 07 5485 3100.

16.3. The Lake Cootharaba Motel has limited 3-star accommodation but is very close to the sailing club - <https://www.cootharabamotel.com/>.

16.4. For other accommodation options please visit the LCSC website <https://lcsc.org.au/accommodation/>

16.5. For Heron sailors, free camping is available at Cooroibah (10 minutes from LCSC) – contact Paul Armstrong (paularmstrong@optusnet.com.au) for details.

16.6. A kiosk selling coffee and snacks is located below the clubhouse and will be open during the event. Lunches can be pre-ordered.

16.7. The Apollonian Hotel provides excellent pub food.

16.8. There are no convenience stores in Boreen Point. The nearest shops are at Tewantin and Pomona (both around 20 minutes' drive away). Tewantin has a reasonably sized Woolies that is open until 8:00pm each evening (94 Poinciana Ave, Tewantin, QLD 4565). There is also a small boating store at Tewantin (<https://noosaboatman.com.au/>).

17. TRAILER PARKING, SPEED LIMITS AND RESPECT FOR THE COMMUNITY

17.1. The speed limit on the roads leading to the club and along the foreshore is 20kph and it is important for the safety of pedestrians that this is adhered to. A 40kph speed limit applies to most other roads in Boreen Point.

17.2. Only very limited parking is available adjacent to the beach at Boreen Point and all competitors are asked to off load their boats and then take their road trailers back to

their accommodation. If this is not possible, the club's storage compound will be open, and competitors are asked to take their trailers there. The compound is around 300 metres away from the beach and volunteers will be on hand to provide directions.

- 17.3. Competitors are also reminded that Boreen Point is a quiet community, and we share the beach and the surrounding areas with local residents. Every effort should be made to respect the rights of others to enjoy the area as much as we do. Please do not park in front of residents' garages and driveways even if it looks like no one is home.