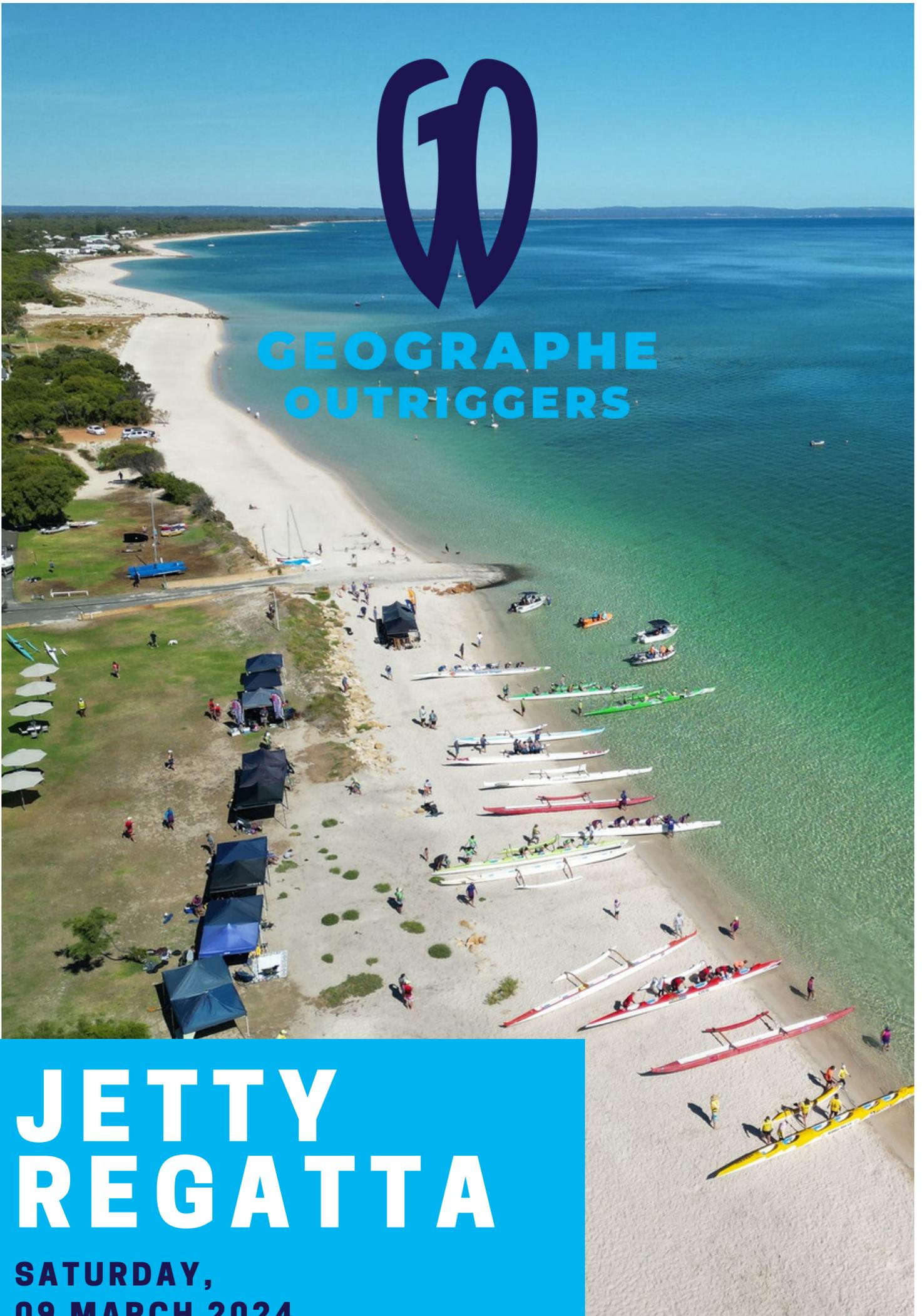




# GEOGRAPHE OUTRIGGERS

# JETTY REGATTA

**SATURDAY,  
09 MARCH 2024**



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# MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Welcome to the Geographe Outriggers Jetty Regatta 2024.

We acknowledge the Wadandi people who are the Traditional Custodians of this country that is called Wadandi Boodja.

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Geographe outriggers was formed in 1997 by a small group of passionate paddlers wanting to enjoy the fun and team spirit of outriggering. From humble beginnings with a couple of outdoor racks near the old Stilts, to building our own shed at the Geographe Bay Yacht Club, to now hosting our 21st regatta we have come a long way. I would like to acknowledge all the past and present members of our club who have contributed and are still contributing to our club. I especially would like to mention the contributions of our life members, Rob Walker, John Lang and Astrid Bashford. It is champions like these that inspire our current and next generation of paddlers.



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# VENUE FACILITIES

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## 01 — Toilets and Car Parking

Public Toilets and showers are available on-site and are located behind the registration area. Car parking is located behind the Briefing area, along Lou West Oval on King Street and in the car park on Dorset Street.



## 02 — Food and Refreshments

All competitors and supporters are asked to bring their own drinking water. Cold drinks will be on sale. Reminder to bring \$\$\$ to purchase tickets in the Fundraiser \$100 Money Board

Geographe Outriggers will provide a BBQ lunch and salads for \$10 per person from 3:00pm

GBYC bar opens from 2:30pm



## 03 — Venue Map



# PADDLER SAFETY

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- Clubs are advised to bring their own gazebos for shade. Ensure paddlers have sunscreen, hats and water.
- All canoes to comply with AOCRA specifications. Scrutineering checks will take place on the beach prior to the start of the race briefing.
- All OC6 canoes must carry a PFD for each paddler, a tow rope, and two (2) bailers, flare kit and a spare paddle. The tow rope should be set up for easy deployment.
- OC6 storm covers will be ready to use if required.
- Paddlers are reminded that adequate training for this event is recommended and that all paddlers must be familiar with capsize procedures and have an appropriate level of fitness.
- The Race Director and First Aid post will be located on the beach at the start line with UHF/VHF Radios.
- The correct ratio of tender craft will be on the water and contactable on VHF/UHF radio.
- If we encounter adverse weather conditions on the day the Race Director will either offer a safer alternative course or cancel it entirely according to AOCRA guidelines.
- The alternative course will be at Port Geographe Marina based at Sensations Café beach as in previous Geographe winter events. There is 8km of paddling within Port Geographe Marina.
- 1 Representative from each club to be present while scrutineering takes place.

# RACE SAFETY & RIGGING

## Standard Race Safety Practices:

- On Water Safety Personnel: there will be a minimum of 4 general safety vessels in attendance, all with VHF radios on board.
- On Land Safety Personnel,
- The Race Director will brief all paddlers prior to each race
- The Finish Line Coordinator will be responsible for accounting for paddlers as they finish the race
- The First Aid Officer will be evident at the First Aid Station throughout the day
- Each OC6 will require 6 x PFDs, a flare kit, towrope, spare steerers' paddle and two bailers.

## Communications:

A communications schedule will be circulated to all key stakeholders and emergency services.

- WA Water Police
- Department of Transport (Marine Safety)
- AOCRA (WA Zone)
- Volunteer Marine Rescue (Busselton)
- St Johns Ambulance Service (Busselton)

## Shark Response Plan:

Whilst undertaking the activity of Ocean Paddling it is acknowledged that the activity takes place in a dynamic ecosystem in which sharks inhabit. Whilst the risk of shark attack is very low, it is a risk that needs to be accepted by recreational water users when entering the ocean.

### **Role of event organisers with regards to shark sightings:**

If a shark is sighted, event organisers will endeavour to advise all paddlers. A red flag will be raised by safety craft to indicate a shark has been sighted and that the race will continue. The race will continue through the red flag. In this case paddlers are responsible for determining whether to continue on their original course or to head to shore to the nearest safe location.

A black flag will be raised by safety craft if a shark is sighted and deemed to pose a threat. In this circumstance the race will immediately stop and paddlers will be required to exit the water as quickly and safely as possible.

### **Rigging**

Trailers need to be parked out of the way due to the Sailing Regatta on the same day. Rigging will be completed on the beach in front of the club.

Please note cars and trailers are NOT permitted to drive or park on the grass.



# ENTRY FEES

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Entries and payment are to be completed online via the AOCRA website. AOCRA online registration must be completed on or no later than seven (7) days prior to the event



## 01 — Senior Paddlers

A seat fee of \$20 per paddler per race applies to the Women's, Men's and Mixed Senior OC6 races. Providing the paddler has registered for one of these events, the Da\$h for Ca\$h will be free of charge.



## 02— TMC Dash for Cash

Providing the paddler has registered for one of these events, the Da\$h for Ca\$h will be free of charge.



# RACE SCHEDULE

## Race Briefing and Schedule

The WAZA safety inspection and check of canoes will occur at 9:00 AM Saturday morning at the GBYC on King Street in Busselton. A reminder that race briefings are mandatory for steerers and will be held immediately prior to each event.

TIME	SCHEDULE
08:00	Registrations Open
09:00	Safety Inspection of OC6s - GBYC grassed area/beach
09:30	Regatta Welcome & first race briefing- GBYC grassed area
09:45	Race 1 Open Women's OC6 Marathon 8km
11:00	Race 2 Open Men's OC6 Marathon 10km
12:45	Race 3 Open Mixed OC6 Marathon 6km
14:00	Race 4 TMC OC6 DaSh for CaSh (including 16/19U)
14:30	De-rig, clean up and GBYC bar opens
15:00	BBQ and Presentations

\*NB- AOCRA regatta and training rules apply. Race times and courses are a guide only and may be varied due to weather conditions and other unforeseen circumstances. Please ensure you check with race officials on the day and attend all race briefings for updates.



# DASH FOR CASH

This race will be run with the maximum amount of OC6s that are available on the day. Club steerers will steer their own club OC6 but with mixed club paddlers, assigned on the day. A winning prize of \$60 will go to each paddler in the winning vessel.

NOTE: As an incentive to enter, one random name will be drawn from all the paddlers entered and they will win \$70



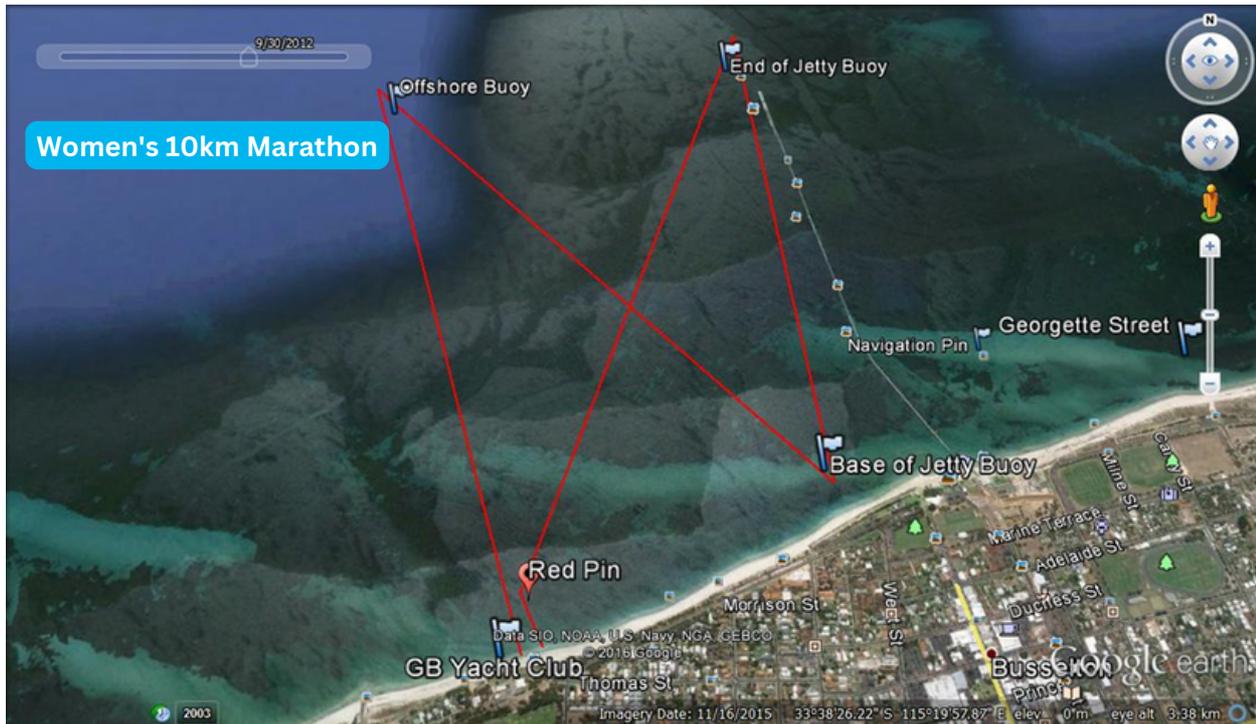
## BBQ & Presentations:

The GBYC bar will be open at 14:30pm and a \$10.00 BBQ (chicken, snags and delicious salads) will be available just before presentations. You can buy your tickets on the day for this.

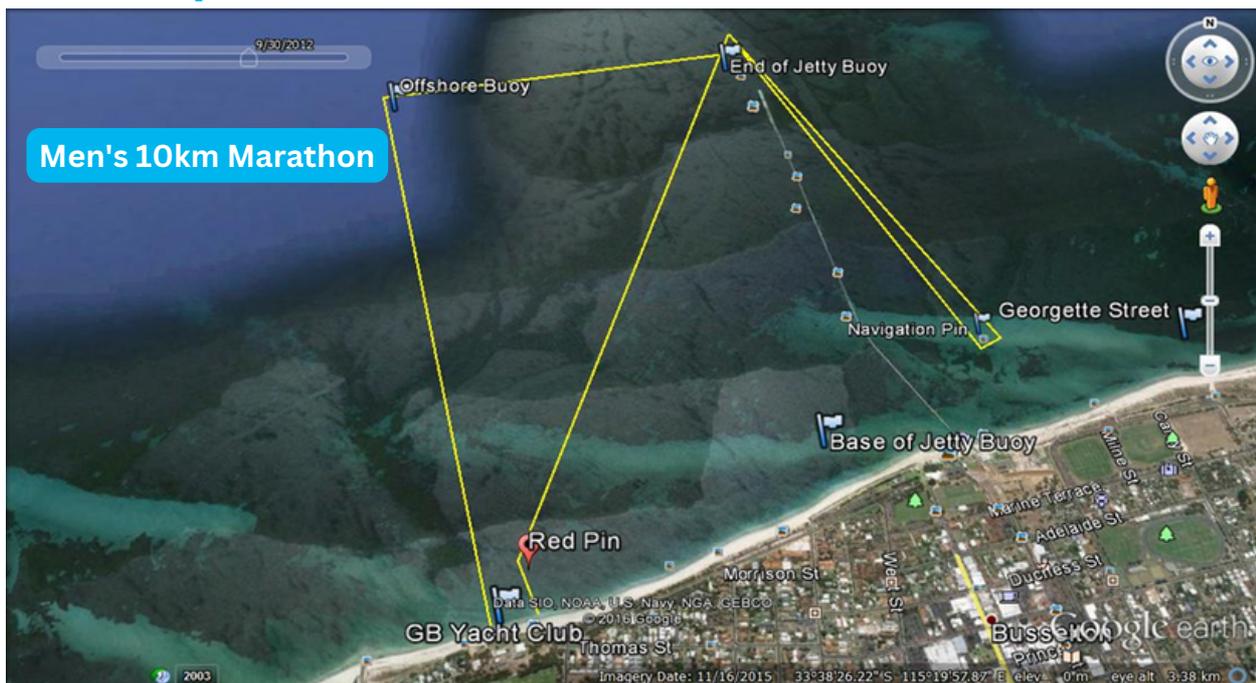
Please RSVP to Astrid [astridbash@gmail.com](mailto:astridbash@gmail.com) with the number of paddlers in your club who will join us for the BBQ.

# COURSES

## 01 — Open Women's OC6 10km Marathon



## 02 — Open Men's OC6 12km Marathon



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## 03 — Mixed OC6 6km Marathon



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