

Drivers Declaration covering the Hume Boat Club (Officials & Members), any promoter, any vehicle or vessel possessors or owners, crew, guarantor and/or sponsor of any competition or the owner/s of the property on which the competition is held, and any government, state or municipal body, community organisation, and their respective officials, agents servants or representatives, including, but not limited to, Transport Safety Victoria, Goulburn Murray Water, NSW Maritime, Towong Shire Council, Hume Shire Council, Murray Darling Basin Authority, State Emergency Service, Volunteer Coast Guard, Volunteer Rescue Authority, team owner/s and drivers.

The Hume Boat Club issues the Risk Warning pursuant to the Civil Liability Act (2002), the Wrongs Act 1958 (Vic) or related legislation.

Persons wishing to participate in the Hume Boat Club event, as dated below, are advised that regardless of the precautions taken by seasoned and experienced persons, power boating can be a dangerous activity and as a participant you may be exposed to significant risk of property damage, physical harm and possibly death.

As an indication, these risks may include, but are not limited to:

- The extreme of weather and water conditions
- The potential that control of a vessel may be lost, resulting in collision with objects and other craft, which may result in injury or death
- The possibility that participants may be injured by equipment breaking on vessels.
- The possibility of colliding with seen or unseen objects above or beneath the surface of the water.
- The absence of immediate medical care and the likelihood that delays may occur before medical care is available.
- The possibility of being trapped in a craft or vessel.

I understand and accept the following terms and conditions of participation:

- I accept that all forms of motorsport, including power boating can be dangerous
- I accept that as a participant or as a volunteer, I will have access to areas denied to the public, where risk of injury or death may be present.
- I have examined and made myself aware of the event venue, safety equipment, safety facilities and other aspects of the venue. I am satisfied and accept the risks that exist in this environment.
- I certify that I am physically fit, have sufficiently trained to be a participant in the event and have not been advised otherwise by a qualified medical person
- I will attend every briefing, where my attendance has been requested by the Race Controller, or their representative.
- If at any time I consider the course or a section of the venue that I have entered to be unsafe, I will voluntarily withdraw from participation and ensure that my observations and opinion are conveyed to an event official as soon as practical.
- I have documented my racing experience on the entry form to allow the Race Controller to observe my driving if I am a Novice Competitor.
- I understand that any safety equipment required under the race guidelines or relevant legislation will be carried, and that this equipment cannot guarantee my safety or the safety of my vessel, and in some circumstances may make participation more dangerous.
- I do not rely upon inspection of my/our craft and its equipment by any third party to find and fault in that equipment.
- I understand and agree that safety is my own responsibility.
- I release the Hume Boat Club, its officials and members, Licence/ Permit Authorities, other participants and any associated party, from all liability arising from injury or loss arising from my participation in this powerboat activity. I will advise my immediate family and heirs of this.

- Neither myself, my family, executors, administrators, next of kin, successors, representatives or heirs will take legal proceedings against the Hume Boat Club, its officials or members or other participants and any other associated party for any injury or loss I may suffer because of my participation in this powerboat activity.
- I understand that I may be giving up significant legal rights by signing this declaration and if I wish, I may obtain independent legal advice prior to signing.
- I hereby give consent to receive medical treatment which may be deemed advisable in the event of injury, accident and or illness during this event.
- I understand that at this event or related activities, I may be photographed. I agree to allow my photo, video or film likeness to be used for any legitimate purpose by the event holders, producers, sponsors, organizers and or assigned.

The Hume Boat Club advises participants that regardless of their best intentions, safety crews may be unable to render assistance to participants who are in distress. Participants are further advised to consider the above risks and any other risks before deciding to participate in the activity conducted by the Hume Boat Club.

Participants are also advised that although the Hume Boat Club is covered by third party public liability insurance, this DOES NOT extend to participants whilst on the water or working on their vessel. Any participant who considers they have a need for personal accident insurance must make their own private arrangements with an insurer.

Additional conditions for participants in craft fitted with Reinforced Cockpit/ Deflection Bar/ Restraining Belt:

- I accept the possibility that as a participant I may be trapped in a craft fitted with a Reinforced Cockpit/ Deflection Bar/ Restraining Belt
- I take full responsibility and use at my own risk a Reinforced Cockpit/ Deflection Bar/ Restraining Belt *(delete whichever is not applicable)*

DECLARATION: I have read the Risk Warning and I am aware of the risks involved in participating in the activity conducted by the Hume Boat Club on _____ (event date). I also understand in accordance with the Civil Liability Act 2002, the Wrongs Act 1958 (Vic) or related legislation that my ability to seek compensation for any injury, damage or loss, sustained by myself or any persons in my care will be limited by virtue of my knowledge of any voluntary acceptance of the associated risks. By signing and providing the following information, I agree to participate in this activity and I understand and accept the risks associated with power boating as set out in this Risk Warning.

I, _____ (full name) of
 _____ (address)

have read and fully understood the declaration as presented here and agree to the terms and conditions.

Driver Name:		Driver Signature:		Date:	
Boat Club Rep Name:		*Boat Club Rep Signature:		Date:	

***ONLY TO BE WITNESSED BY A HUME BOAT CLUB AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE.** In signing this document as a witness, I have ensured that the signatory has agreed to participate or be involved with this activity and has agreed that they understand and accept the risks associated with power boating as set out in the Risk Warning.