



# SUNNYSIDE SPRINT

## Overview

The Sunnyside Sprint this year will be run same as last year's event with the Saturday 1st of July being a practice session from Sunnyside oval up to Winnejup Falls and back again. Race Day Sunday 2nd of July will start at approx. 9.00am from Sunnyside Oval going up river to Winnejup Falls before re-grouping and running down river to the finish in Bridgetown.

## Saturday 30th June Practice Session

The practice day from Sunnyside Oval to Winnejup Falls and back will be run from 11:00am till 2pm on Saturday 30th June 2024.

This will only be available to fully financial members and compulsory scrutineering will take place at 10:00am prior to entry on the water.

Please ensure your craft and yourself are correctly equipped prior to scrutineering. It will be a 11:00am sharp start so please don't turn up late as you will not be permitted on the water once the group has left.

## Supplementary Regulations

The Sunnyside Sprint is a single stage dash on the Blackwood River under the competition rules of the Power Dinghy Racing Club (Inc.).

The Sunnyside Sprint is round 7 of the State Championships and carries 100 championship points for 1st and 250 competition licence points (all finishers). It is a qualifying race for the Avon Descent.

Race Directors - John Peddel & Chris Whitney

## Entries

- All entries must be made on official entry form.
- The entry fee of \$80 per craft must accompany entry forms.
- All entrants must be members as per PDRC rules.
- All craft must be insured and registered.
- Starting Grid positions will be allocated from the overall race results at the Mario Ambrosino Marathon race and then by ballot.



## Classes

10hp Sports, 10hp Super Standard, 10hp Standard, Adventure Class

## Competitors

- There shall be 2 competitors in each craft who may not be substituted throughout the race. Should the team as entered need to be changed for any reason, the race director must be notified and his approval gained before race start.
- No competitor shall act in a manner detrimental to the performance of another competitor.
- Each competitor must be a current financial member and a holder of the appropriate grade of licence for the class they have entered.
- By the submission of the official entry form it is considered that the competitors are aware of the potential dangerous nature of the course and are acquainted with the rules of the Sunnyside Sprint as well as being medically fit.

## Registration

- Each competitor must produce their PDRC licence and driver to produce RST when registering their team.
- Registration will be open from 10.00am on Saturday 1st of July at Sunnyside Oval for the practice session and from 7.30am to 08:30am on Sunday 2nd of July at Sunnyside Oval for race day.

## Pre-race Scrutineering

- Pre-Race scrutineering will be held at Sunnyside Oval from 10.00am on Saturday 30th of June for the practice session and again from 7.30am till 8.30am on Sunday 1st of July at Sunnyside Oval for race day.
- All boats must be presented in race ready condition and able to be inspected by the scrutineer (not on roof of cars/trailers over 1200mm off the ground).
- All standard craft propellers may be inspected before and after the race and random stops will happen during the race. All props must be as per PDRC competition rules, failure to do so will result in disqualification (this means no stainless steel propellers for Standard class).

## Racing Rules

- The Sunnyside Sprint will start at 9.00am sharp at Sunnyside Oval on Sunday 2nd of July 2022 and finish at Blackwood Park in Bridgetown just before the bridge. Boats are NOT permitted past the traffic bridge in Bridgetown.
- 2 boats leaving from Sunnyside Oval (timing dependant on water level)
- Starting grids will be determined by current championship standings in each individual class. The motor shall not be started until the dinghy is completely in the water and the propeller is completely submerged.
- Refuelling during the event is not permitted. Teams deemed to have refuelled will be disqualified.
- Competitors who fail to start at the nominated start time may start at any time after that but will be recorded as having started at that teams official start time.
- Compulsory portage at the road crossing may be enforced due to water levels. This will be confirmed on race morning and each craft will be video recorded at the road crossing to ensure this is adhered to.
- Portage is the transport or movement of craft between, across or thru an obstacle, road crossing, bridge, weir, rapid or obstruction. You must approach at a slow speed (off the plane), stop engine, drag or carry craft past point determined by race director, race official or supp regs to be portaged, re-enter water, restart engine and continue under way. This means not sliding or jumping across the road crossing. Teams deemed to have ignored this will be disqualified.
- No beach landings permitted.

## Practice Session Saturday 30th of June

- Practice session will be run from Sunnyside Oval to Winnejump falls before re grouping and returning downstream back to Sunnyside Oval. It will be an 11.00am start and running until 2pm sharp.
- Registration for the practice session will be from 10.00am (no charge).
- All craft and safety equipment will be scrutineered from 10.00am before craft are allowed in the water.
- Only full financial members with insured and registered craft will be permitted on the water.
- All craft and teams must follow race directors or designated officials directions
- Please be on time as the group will be leaving at 11.00am sharp and late arrivals will not be permitted on the water once the group leaves.
- Have fun

### Withdrawals

- All withdrawals must report to an official as soon as possible and complete a withdrawal form at the start or finish line.
- Failure to do so will result in a serious breach and if a rescue party is required to look for a boat that is not missing all expenses will be passed on in full to that team.

### Post-Race Scrutineering

- All provisional place winning craft will be impounded immediately for scrutineering and will be marked and signed for before being returned to the team.
- Any team that removes the craft/motor (props standard class only) for the pit area without permission of the race director will be disqualified on the spot.
- Post-race scrutineering will be specified by the race director

### Support Crew

- Each team shall have a support crew of at least one adult.
- The support crew shall display the number of the team they are supporting.
- Motor bikes shall not be used.
- Each member of the support crew shall make themselves acquainted with the competition rules and the supplementary regulations contained within this document.
- Each support crew member is a representative of the team they are supporting and will act in a matter as to not bring the club or its members into disrepute.
- At least one member of the support crew must attend pre-race briefing.



### Camping at Sunnyside Oval

- Please leave the campsite area in the same condition you found it. (take all rubbish, extinguish fires etc)
- Please remember you are representing not only yourselves but the club as a whole. Have fun but please do it in a civilised manner.
- Sunnyside Oval is 14km after the Tweed Rd turnoff. If you get to gravel on Tweed Rd you have gone too far.
- BYO own firewood
- BYO own chemical toilet, digging holes for a toilet is not permitted.
- Take your own rubbish
- Antisocial behaviour won't be tolerated, and penalties will be enforced.

**Everyone please remember you are representing the PDRC and your actions will reflect on the club.**