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Whitianga

Buffalo Beach

**2026 NZ Offshore Powerboat
Championship**
Whitianga
21st March 2026

With thanks to our supporting sponsors...



Whitianga - Round 6

Welcome to round six of the NZ Offshore Powerboat Championships

Saturday 21st March

You can view the race across from Buffalo Beach; Race Control will be based in the Large Reserve halfway down Buffalo Beach. This will also be the location of race-pits and can act as trailer parking once boats have been launched. Please be respectful of how you park.

Launching

Launching of boats will be at the Whitianga Boat Ramp, please be mindful of the public as it is a public ramp. Be mindful to keep the ramp clear when not in use. Parking onsite is limited. Most will return to park in race pits. Please be organized, quick and give consideration to others at the ramp.

Meet and Greet – Friday 20th March 6pm Onwards

Meet and greet will be held at the Mercury Bay Game Fishing Club from 6pm. A full Menu is available, it's a great opportunity for all the teams and crews to catch-up on the latest news, and we may also have a number of sponsors there wanting to meet the drivers and crews so please make an effort to attend.

Prize Giving –5.30pm

Prizegiving will be held at Whitianga Hotel on Saturday night. Live Band will start at 8pm.

NZ Offshore Powerboat Series Contact

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Programme

Friday 20th March

6pm Meet and Greet @ Mercury Bay Game Fishing Club

Saturday 21st March

7.30am Race Control set up at Buffalo Beach Reserve

8.00am Scrutineering of Day Entries

9.00am Race Day Entries Close

9:30am Combined briefing at Race HQ (all competitors, patrol and mark boats)

11:00am First Race start

12:00pm Second Race Start

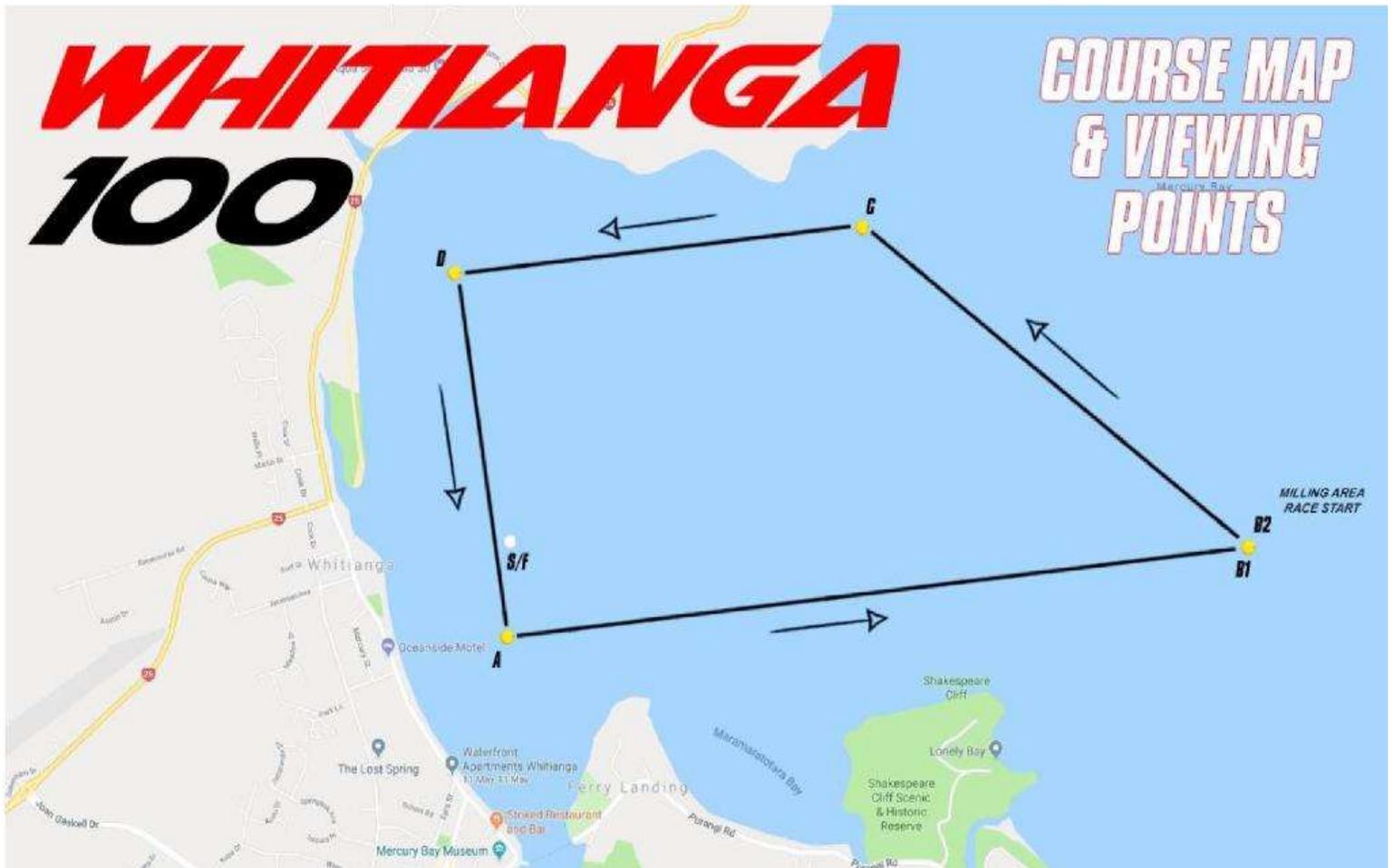
5:30pm Prizegiving Whitianga Hotel

Race Day Officials

National Officer of the Day..... JR
Safety Officer/National Steward..... TBC
Race Starter Wayne Valder aka Koozer
Course/Buoy Officer..... Grant Rowe
Briefing OfficersJR/Floss
Scrutineers Grant Rowe
Race Day Secretary Ryan Archer
Debriefing Officers Floss
Safety Rescue Crew..... OOD /Pro Med
Race Day Judges..... TBA on race day
Time Keeper/Lap Scoring Clipboard
Media Liaison Michael Wingate
Event Organizers NZOPA Exec

UIM&2024Natioanl Rules will apply

Indicative Course Map
Final course will be subject to conditions and numbers.



NZOPA MARKER BUOYS.

MARK A 36.49.457 S 175.42.41 E

MARK B1/2 36.49.085 S 175.42.808E

Marks B1 & B2 Approx 50mtrs apart

MARK C 36.48.581 S 175.43.472 E

MARK D 36.48.622 S 175.42.36 E

As per normal, Coordinates are not for navigation purposes. Coordinates are for approximate positioning of Marker buoys

Course layout may change on the day, Participants will be notified of final map during race briefing.



PRE-RACE SCRUTINEERING FORM

Race Date: _____ Race Location: _____

Boat Name: _____ Boat: _____

Driver Name: _____ Co Driver Name: _____

100 Mile Boats

Ref	Requirement	Tick	Ref	Requirement	Tick
120.01	Licence for class entered		715.04	Manual Bilge Pumps	
205.07	Helmets		715.1	Distress Flares	
508.19	Stop Button / Switches		715.11	First Aid Kit	
508.25	Fire Extinguishers		508.26	Life Vests	
N503	Suitable Tow Line		N705	Outboards / Drives Secure	
N508	Canopies		508.17	Emergency Air Supply	
508.22	Restraint System		715.14	Cell Phone or VHF	
715.12	Tool Kit / Knife		N508	Tanks / Batteries Secure	
N107.5	Steering Secure		508.2	Strobe Light	

60 Mile Boats

Ref	Requirement	Tick	Ref	Requirement	Tick
120.01	Licence for class entered		205.07	Helmets	
N504	Race Vests		N541.1	Fire Extinguisher	
N503	Suitable Tow Line		N541.8	Distress Flares	
N541.2	First Aid Kit		N541.7	Compass / GPS	
N541.9	Tool Kit / Knife		N541.3	2 x oars / paddles	
N505	Tanks / Batteries Secure		N508	Seats Secure	
N705	Outboards/ Drives Secure		N107.5	Steering Secure	
N541.5	Orange Retirement Flag		N541.6	Engine Kill Switch	

Competitor Name

NZOPA Name

Signature

Signature

The competitor declares by signing this form that he / she has inspected the above boat to a reasonable standard and his / her boat conforms to all necessary class rules and safety requirements.

Each team member has completed an Alcohol Test using **Lifeloc FC10 Breathalyser**

Pass / Fail

Signed by _____
NZOPA Representative



2025 DAY LICENCE RACE ENTRY FORM

Race Date:	Race Location:
Boat Name:	Registration #:
Boat Type: <i>Mono / Tunnel / Other</i>	Boat Length:
Brand:	Hull Colour:
Model:	Deck Colour:
Engine(s) Type: <i>Outboard / Inboard</i>	Engine Number:
Make:	Individual/Total Capacity:
Model:	Individual/Total HP:
Driver:	Co-Driver / Throttles:
Address:	Address:
Email:	Email:
Phone:	Phone:
Next of Kin:	Next of Kin:
Phone:	Phone:

Fees (All cheques payable to the NZOPA)	Fee	Total enclosed
Direct Debit 12-3036-0558130-00		
Day Licence = \$200.00 (x 2 – Driver = \$25.00 and Co-driver = \$25.00)	\$250.00	
100 Mile class (4 race maximum) (Driver & Co must hold a current NZOPA Race licence- day licence not valid)	\$1050.00	
60 Mile and Classic Class	\$250.00	
GPS Tracker = \$25.00 (Hire per event)	\$25.00	

Declaration

I declare that the above information is correct. I agree to carry out the instructions of the organisation/race officials and accept their decisions as final and binding upon my crew and myself. I indemnify the organising club / association against any losses, damages, or untoward expenses caused or incurred by my crew or myself. I accept all costs incurred due to engine inspections. I consent to the collection of the details on this entry form by the organising club for event registration and promotion purposes and for it to retain, use and disclose these to the New Zealand Offshore Powerboat Association Inc. I acknowledge my right to access and correction of this information. This consent is given in accordance with the Privacy Act 1993.

Driver / Entrant Signature:

Co-Driver / Entrant Signature:

Date:



To : NZ Offshore Powerboat Association and their Club Members

I the undersigned acknowledge, before riding in your race boat that:

- 1 Powerboat racing is a dangerous sport. Accidents can occur which are capable fo causing injury, loss of property or even death.

- 2 Whilst every usual precaution will be taken to ensure your safety, there can be no guarantee given that an accident will not occur.

- 3 You have explained to me and I agree, that I do not ride with you without accepting these risks and I waive any right to claim against you for injury, loss of property, or loss of life arising whilst in or near your race boat, whether or not negligence is alleged.

- 4 I am over 18 years of age, have read and fully understand these terms and conditions, my agreement to ride with you and/or signing this document being acceptance thereof.

Signed by¹

Signed by³

in the presence of:²

Name:
Occupation:
Address:

¹ Write the name of the person riding in the boat
² Must be someone other than the owner of the boat
³ Write the name of the boat owner