

2025 Australian Masters Games (AMG)

Dragon Boat: Bulletin 2 – July 2025

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Officials and volunteers

Do you want to make new friends, have fun, do something exciting, and be part of a well-oiled machine? Why not sign up as either an official or volunteer and help us deliver a great experience for our paddlers! We need up to 38 officials/volunteers each day of the Games, and catering will be provided for all officials and volunteers. You can sign up for just one day, or all three – it's up to you! Any time you can give us will be greatly appreciated.

Officials

We require AusDBF accredited Race Officials, who ideally are familiar with the role they wish to perform, for the following roles:

- **Chief Official**
- **Chief Marshall**
- **Chief Umpire + 2 Course Umpires**
- **Chief Timekeeper**
- **Chief Boat loader**
- **Chief Starter**
- **Assistant Starter**
- **Chief Judge**
- **Race Secretary**

Volunteers

In addition to our Officials, we also need volunteers for the following roles:

- **Boat loaders (up to 12)**
- **Carpark attendants (up to 4)**
- **General volunteer (5)**
- **Marshalls (6)**
- **Race Recorder (1)**
- **Sanitation (2)**
- **Timekeepers (2)**

Below are brief details about each role that we need to fill - please read to see if you have the skills we need!

Boat Loaders

Two volunteers per boat are required for this role so that crews are able to load and unload as quickly as possible. Together with another volunteer, you will be required to hold the boat/s while crews are loading and unloading. You will also be required to make sure the boat is clean and clear of excess water. You need to be reasonably fit for this role, as there is holding a boat, keeping it steady, bending to clear water from the boat etc. This role is on pontoons at the water's edge.

Carpark Attendants

This role will assist traffic marshalls who will be directing the general flow of traffic each morning onsite in the main parking areas. An ability to communicate with a wide variety of people and have a calm temperament are a must! This is an early morning role only and you won't be required after approximately 8.00am. (As this is not an all-day role, catering will not be provided.)

General Volunteers

These volunteers are ready to assist wherever required at any given point in time. Tasks may include delivering messages between the marshalling area and administration, posting results, and ensuring all volunteers and race officials are supplied with food and drinks. Assisting all other volunteers and race officials when requested.

Marshalls

Under the direction of the Chief Marshall you will be responsible for random checking of names against crew lists, properly attired, equipped with certified paddles, certified seat pads, correct footwear and are fit to race. Being able to communicate with a variety of different people and have a calm temperament is a must for this very social role!

Race Recorder

This role will enter results into an excel spreadsheet which will be used to calculate placings based on times. You will need an understanding of excel technology.

Sanitation

Provide regular checks on the portable toilets, checking on toilet paper, soap etc. and report any issues in regard to cleaning, or non-functioning, if they arise. Strict hygienic principals need to be covered, so this role requires volunteers with a strong belief in

ensuring toilets are maintained in excellent condition. The portable toilets will be pumped out every night.

Timekeepers

Manual timing is used as a back-up to the photo-finish timing system. Volunteers will be based onshore in line with the finish line and will record finish times using a stopwatch. You need good eyesight to be able to see the boats crossing the finish line.

If you would like to volunteer, please complete this [form](#). If you have any queries, please email admin@dbact.com.au.

If you would like to be an official, please complete this [form](#). If you have any queries, please email events@dbact.com.au

Age Dispensations

Age Divisions will follow the AusDBF Rules of Competition and Racing CR 2.2 – Racing Age Divisions, with the following exceptions:

- For a twenties crew, where a team has 18 or less paddlers in a particular age division, they can include on their crew list up to two younger crew members (paddlers, sweep and/or drummer) with a dispensation.
- For a tens crew, where a team has 8 or less paddlers in a particular age division, they can include on their crew list up to one younger crew member (paddler, sweep and/or drummer) with a dispensation.

Dispensations will be approved on a case-by-case basis. All dispensation applications must be emailed to admin@dbact.com.au prior to registration and must include a brief outline of the circumstances and player

After approval has come through from committee you need to register the player and select *please place me into a team. Then email enter admin@dbact.com.au and amg.admin@unisport.com.au email to let them know.

Crew Lists

As the AMG registration system is not the best for our sport, we will have to manually produce the crew lists. Closer to the event we will provide all team managers with a template for them to complete, listing their team names per category.

Team Captains, please be aware of how many athletes are registering in your crews, that is, no more than 14 for a small boat and 26 for a standard boat.

Double Rostering

In line with the AusDBF Rules of Racing, CR 10.10, double rostersing is **NOT** permitted between standard and small boats, Age, Competition Classes and Categories. Each crew must have sufficient paddlers, drummers, and sweeps. Examples of what is double rostersing:

- Premier mixed standard and Premier mixed small boat
- Senior A women and Senior A open
- Senior B women small and Senior C women small boat.

Please review your entries and if you have team members doubling rostering, you will need to amend your entries. We will not be holding up racing for crew members to get off the water and into another boat.

Souvenir Program

A souvenir program will only be available online in PDF format for athletes to download from the website. Please provide a .JPEG club photo + club logo and half page history of your club by **Friday 14 September**. No late submissions will be accepted. Please include in the subject line 'Souvenir Program and your club's name' to evens@dbact.com.au.

Accommodation

As an official sponsor of the Australian Masters Games, Abode Hotels has you covered with stylish rooms across Canberra and exclusive discounts for AMG participants and supporters.

Stay close to the action, sleep in comfort, and wake up ready to play! Book by June 2 to save 25% off your stay by using the code AMG20: <https://abodehotels.com.au/>

If you are booking for a team or large group, contact Abode Hotels' reservations team at reservations@abodehotels.com.au for a special group rate.

Catering

A number of coffee and food vendors have been booked for this event. Further details will be available in Bulletin #3.

Merchandise

Stay tuned for information on the AMG website regarding merchandise for the event including pre-order details which should be coming out soon!

Registration

Early bird registration closes 27 July!

Registration Entry Periods	
Early Bird	5 May – 27 July
Standard Registration	28 July – 19 September

Dates and Times (subject to change)

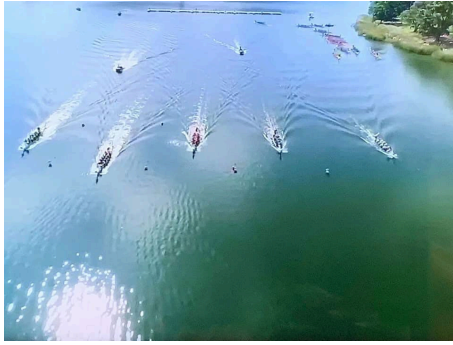
Saturday 18 October 2025: 8.00am – 4.00pm (200m competition)

Sunday 19 October 2025: 8.00am – 6.00pm (200m competition)

Monday 20 October 2025: 8.00am – 6.00pm (1000m competition)

Location

We will be using the ACT Rowing Course at Weston Park, Yarralumla



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