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# 2024 MELTON GOLD CUP

16TH, 17TH & 18TH FEBRUARY

# ENTRY PACK



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## Competitors Entry Information

Listed below is information relating to the 2024 Melton Gold Cup to be held on the 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> of February 2024 at the Melbourne Runabout & Speedboat Club.

**Entry Forms:** Entry forms can be downloaded from the ABPA Website via the below link. Please be sure to include each class you intend to participate in. Entries are **due by the 4<sup>th</sup> of February 2024.**

[APBA Combined Entry & Scrutineering Form](#)

Email to Clare Shepherdley: [mrsbcracesecretary@gmail.com](mailto:mrsbcracesecretary@gmail.com)

**Promotional Form:** For promotional purposes, social media, commentary, tv coverage and live streaming, please fill out the promotional form enclosed at the back of the entry back and return with your entry form.

**Entry Levy:** The entry for the event, including 4 pit passes is **\$200.00 for Senior Competitors and \$50.00 for Formula Future Competitors.**

**Please Note: All Interstate Competitors your entry levy is FREE**

**Tow Money:** The Free Entry levy for interstate competitors is in lieu of tow money, boats crossing more than one border will be paid an additional amount.

**Pit Passes:** Four (4) Pit Passes are allocated per entry, please notify Clare Shepherdley when returning your entry if any additional pit passes are required.

**Payments:** Please endeavour to make all payments prior to arriving at the venue. Credit Card facilities will be available at the tower if required. Prior Payments can be made via Direct Debit or Credit Card.

<b>EFT:</b>  <b>BSB:</b> 033 080 <b>Account Number:</b> 144 768 <b>Reference:</b> "Boat Name"	<b>Credit Card:</b>  Please fill out the credit card detail form at the back of the entry pack and email it through with your Entry Form.
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**Main Contact:** Clare Shepherdley – Race Secretary  
0409 671 224  
[mrsbcracesecretary@gmail.com](mailto:mrsbcracesecretary@gmail.com)

Mark Shepherdley  
0400 029 062  
[mark@mssteelfabrications.com](mailto:mark@mssteelfabrications.com)

## Classes & Trophies:

<b>Unlimited:</b>	Melton Gold Cup Keith Harrison Trophy Round of the BAD Boat National Drivers Championship
<b>Unlimited Outboard:</b>	Unlimited Outboard Trophy
<b>6 Litre Displacement:</b>	Jack Kavanagh Trophy Clyde Lewis Trophy
<b>105 MPH:</b>	105 MPH Point Score
<b>95 MPH:</b>	95 MPH Point Score
<b>1.6 Litre Oz Lites:</b>	Rob Wyatt Perpetual Trophy
<b>25 HP Outboard:</b>	KLG 25HP Class Trophy
<b>Formula Future:</b>	Round 3 - Victorian Formula Future Championship

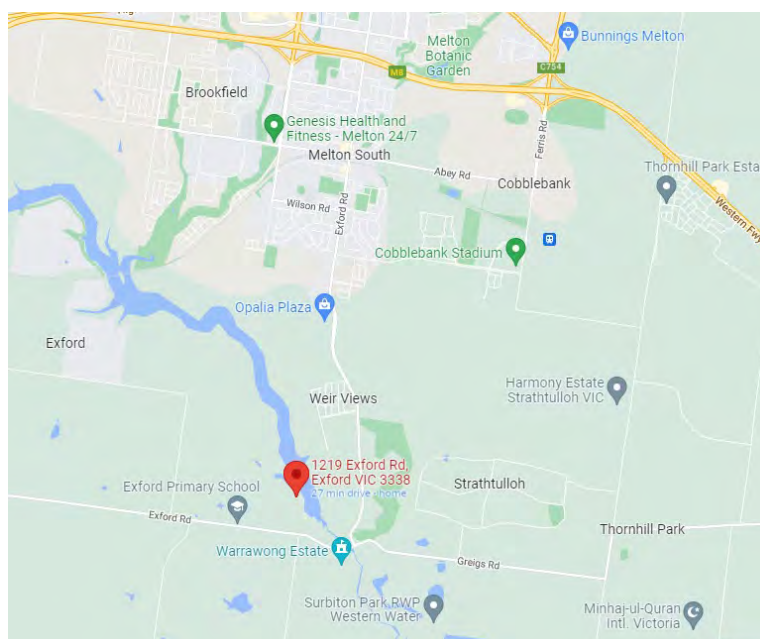
**Please Note:** **Four (4) Bona fide entries must be received to constitute the class, stepping up at the discretion of the race committee.**

## Class Representative:

Unlimited Displacement	Rob Psaila	0417 590 931	robertpsaila@hotmail.com
Unlimited Outboard	Rob Psaila	0417 590 931	robertpsaila@hotmail.com
6 litre Displacement	Brett Niddrie	0428 510 509	bnengines@hotmail.com
1.6 litre Oz Lites	Natasha Heffernan	0419 377 910	natashaheffernan7@gmail.com
105 MPH	Chris Dynon	0499 014 748	moondoggy3038@gmail.com
95 MPH	Chris Dynon	0499 014 748	moondoggy3038@gmail.com
25HP Outboard	Clare Shepherdley	0409 671 224	mrsbcracesecretary@gmail.com
Formula Future	Stephen Scott	0438 356 369	stephenscott@thepatternshop.com.au

## Location:

MRSBC, 1219 Exford Road, Exford Victoria 3338



## Proposed Program of Events:

Indication only and may be subject to change for safety and operational requirements.

<b>Friday:</b>	Scrutineering at Pits:	7.00am – 4.00pm
	On Water Practice:	10.00am – 2.00pm
	Drivers Breifing:	3.30pm
	Racing (Hot Laps)	3.00pm – 5.00pm
<b>Saturday's Racing:</b>	Pits Close:	7.00am Sharp
	Drivers Briefing:	8.00am
	Racing:	8.30am – 5.00pm
<b>Sunday's Racing:</b>	Pits Close:	7.00am Sharp
	Drivers Briefing:	8.00am
	Racing:	8.30am – 5.00pm
	Presentations:	6.30pm – Onwards

The organisers request everyone's cooperation to ensure the program runs as scheduled. Pit gates will be closed at the advertised times or until deemed closed by the Officer of the Day or their designated representative. If there are issues whilst on route to the venue, please notify the MRSBC race Secretary Clare Shepherdley 0409 671 224.

### Drivers Packs:

Drivers packs will be available at the Race Tower upon your arrival to the Venue on Friday and Saturday morning. After your boat has been scrutineered, you will need to produce all relevant paperwork including your Rule Book/License and Logbook to the Race Tower.

***It is the responsibility of the drivers to arrive on time, have their paperwork in order and be scrutineered in a timely manner.***

### Scrutineering:

Scrutineering will be held on Friday the 16th of February in the pits. As there is limited time on Saturday for scrutineering, please make every effort to arrive on Friday. If you need to be scrutineered on Saturday morning, please be prompt in arriving as we will only be scrutineering until 8.00am sharp.

### Practice:

Practice will take place from 10.00am – 2.00pm on Friday afternoon only. Boats must be scrutineered, and all drivers' breath tested before entering on to the water.

### Breath Testing:

Breath testing will be conducted immediately prior to the drivers briefing on each day of competition. Random alcohol and drug tests will be conducted throughout each day. All drivers and officials must undergo a breath test and record a zero reading on each day of competition and when requested for random breath testing. If a positive reading is returned, that driver cannot compete at that day's racing. If the breath analysis equipment is considered faulty, Officials may afford a driver a second test or use other breath analysis equipment if available. Such a test is to be conducted (as per Rule 201.096) within 10 (ten) minutes of the original test or the minimum recommended interval as given by the manufacturer of the equipment.

### Drivers Briefing:

The Drivers briefing will be held near the race tower on Friday and in Downstairs Café on Saturday and Sunday, it is compulsory for all drivers and owners to attend.



- Fuel:** 200 litres of methanol will be provided to competitors; additional methanol will be available on the day at a cost to be advised. Please be in contact with Mark Shepherdley 0400 029 062 if alternatives are required.
- Pits:** The Pits are located within the boat and trailer parking area and the top parking area including the sheds of Melbourne Runabout and Speedboat Club.
- There is plenty of room for small and large transporters and trailers, but please notify us when entering if you have one so we can probably plan out the space.**
- Extra cars will not be permitted in the pits on Saturday or Sunday. There are enough car spaces outside of the pits for cars.
- Access to the pits is restricted to personnel wearing a valid pit pass (Children included). The pits will be fenced and have strict enforcement of all rules for safety and public liability.
- Pit Etiquette:** The Pit Area is marked, and the following conditions apply:
- No Pit Pass (Wristband), No Entry
  - No open toe footwear under any circumstances
  - No Smoking and No Alcohol
  - No BBQ's
  - Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult unless competing.
  - No riding on trailers. Only the driver is permitted to be seated in their boat while travelling to the ramp from the top pits.
  - Under no circumstances is there to be refuelling on the water. Refuelling is permitted in the pit area, including on the ramps when they are stationary while at the top.
- Ramp Assistance:** To ensure quick launch and retrieval of boats, we ask that each team provides two (2) of their crew to assist as ramp riders for the event. We will also supply one (1) MRSBC volunteer to assist on water and one to operate.
- Volunteers & Crew:** For insurance purposes, all officials, volunteers, drivers, and crew must sign the APBA volunteer register to be covered by their policy. Failure to do so may result in coverage not being provided in the event of an incident. The register will be available at the Race Tower, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday morning.
- Speed Bracket Racing:** There will be a designated area at the Race Tower for all competitors to collect and return your GPS at the end of each race for checking and re-setting. It is the responsibility of the team to ensure this process is followed within 10 minutes of the completion of the race, failing to do so will result in disqualification.
- Incidents:** In the unlikely event your boat is involved in an incident, you are required to follow all directions from officials. If your boat requires inspection, it will need to remain in your pit area and remain there until released by officials.
- The club will be utilising drone and various cameras covering the course to assist in managing the event. This will be relied upon in adjudicating breaches of racing rules and protests.



**Safety Personnel:**

Safety boats, rescue boats, divers and paramedics will be present at the event. Please introduce yourself to the safety personnel and allow them to familiarise themselves with your boat. If your vessel is fitted with anything other than what could be considered a standard air system, latches, or other safety devices, it is the responsibility of the driver and team to make time to provide details and instructions with the safety team.

**Code of Conduct:**

The MRSBC will not tolerate any abuse or disrespect of any officials or volunteers.

- Any matter that a driver feels is not being handled/managed in a manner they believe is satisfactory should direct their concerns to the Commodore of the MRSBC, Chris Dynon.
- Any crew or team that feels that a matter is not being handled/managed in a manner they believe is satisfactory should direct their concerns to the Commodore of the MRSBC, Chris Dynon.
- Formula Future drivers can be represented by a parent, guardian, or other representative.
- If the matter is related to the Commodore of the MRSBC, the driver may choose to direct their matter to another Executive of the MRSBC, who will manage the matter/concern.
- The MRSBC considers any post to social media that is defamatory towards the club, sport, or other competitors to be included as disrespect and/or abuse.

Failure to conduct yourself, or your team, in a manner that represents the sport in professional light shall be directed to the state and/or national bodies for management under their rules and process, such as the [APBA Member Protection Policy](#).

**Accommodation:**

Accommodation in Melton is limited, here is a list of all our surrounding towns with their accommodation. All are within an hour drive of Melton Weir.

<b>Melton</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Phone Number:</b>
Melton Motor Inn	(03) 9743 5599
Quality Hotel Tabcorp Park	(03) 8746 0600

<b>Bacchus Marsh (23 Minutes Away)</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Phone Number:</b>
Bacchus Marsh Avenue Motel	(03) 53673766

<b>Caroline Springs (30 Minutes Away)</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Phone Number:</b>
Mercure Caroline Springs	(03) 8358 0555
Quest Apartments	(03) 8361 3888
Punthill Apartments	(03) 8362 8100

<b>Taylors Lakes (35 Minutes Away)</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Phone Number:</b>
Taylors Lakes Quality Hotel	(03) 9217 9500
Lakeside Prestige Hotel	(03) 9390 9571

<b>Werribee (45 Minutes away)</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Phone Number:</b>
Werribee Park Motor Inn	(03) 9741 7222
Comfort Inn & Suites Werribee	(03) 9741 9944
Quest Apartments Werribee	(03) 8744 6000
Holiday Inn	(03) 9731 3030



**Camping:**

**Camping will only be open to race teams.** Under no circumstances will camping be allowed for the General Public. All teams must notify upon entering their intentions of camping and provide numbers. The cost of camping is \$10.00 per person per night, required to be paid prior to arrival.

**Please Note: only the outside shower and toilet facilities will be available.**

**Sheds:**

The use of our on-site storage sheds will be available for the entire weekend. If you wish to secure a shed, which can be used as your pit as well, please inform us when entering. The cost of the sheds will be \$250.00.

**Presentations:**

To ensure that presentations commence on time please pitch in and help with the pack up after the cease of racing, so that everybody can attend.

Please be at the Club Rooms at 6.30pm Sunday evening. There will be a spit roast at a cost of \$40.00 per head, bookings **ARE REQUIRED by 4<sup>th</sup> of February 2024 and MUST be prepaid**, please fill out the form attached at the back of the entry pack to secure your table. Presentations will commence at 7:00pm

**Disclaimer:**

All information is accurate at the time of printing. The MRSBC reserve the right to change or amend any aspect of the event and racing based on the requirements of permits, legislation, rules, safety, or practicality of operation. Any changes will be advised as soon as possible via email, briefing or direct notification.

**Attachments:**

Enclosed at the back of the Entry are the below forms, required to be submitted to the Race secretary upon entry to the event.

- APBA Entry Form
- Credit Card Details Form
- Promotional Form
- Presentation Booking Form

We are looking forward to seeing you at this exciting venue to enjoy a successful safe weekend of racing.

Should you have any queries regarding the weekend please be in contact with the MRSBC Race Secretary, Clare Shepherdley, on 0409 671 224, or your designated class representative.

Yours in Boating,

*Clare Shepherdley*

MRSBC Race Secretary



<b>NAME OF EVENT:</b>		<b>CLASS:</b>	
<b>DATE OF EVENT:</b>		<b>VENUE:</b>	
<b>NAME OF BOAT:</b>		<b>RACE No ON BOAT:</b>	
<b>State Boating Authority REGISTRATION NO:</b>		<b>SBA REGISTRATION EXPIRY DATE:</b>	
<b>NAME OF OWNER:</b>		<b>OWNERS CLUB:</b>	
<b>ADDRESS OF OWNER:</b>			
<b>APBA LICENCE NO:</b>		<b>CONTACT NUMBER:</b>	
<b>CLASS OF BOAT:</b>		<b>CAPACITY of MOTOR:</b>	
<b>BOAT LENGTH (Metres):</b>		<b>BOAT BEAM (Meters):</b>	
<b>Tech inspection number:</b>		<b>Full/Provisional Licence</b>	<b>Full          Provisional</b>
<b>DRIVER 1</b>			
<b>NAME OF DRIVER:</b>		<b>DRIVERS CLUB:</b>	
<b>State Boating Authority LICENCE NO:</b>		<b>SBA LICENCE EXPIRY DATE:</b>	
<b>APBA LICENCE NO:</b>		<b>CONTACT NUMBER:</b>	
<b>DRIVER 2</b>			
<b>NAME OF DRIVER:</b>		<b>DRIVERS CLUB:</b>	
<b>State Boating Authority LICENCE NO:</b>		<b>SBA LICENCE EXPIRY DATE:</b>	
<b>APBA LICENCE NO:</b>		<b>CONTACT NUMBER:</b>	
<b>DECLARATION BY OWNER(S):</b>			
To the _____ Council Secretary, APBA – I/We _____ being the owner(s) of the abovementioned boat do hereby certify that the specifications of the boats' hull and motor are known to me/us to be in conformity with the Rules and restrictions governing the class of the event entered. I/We will comply with the APBA RACING and SAFETY RULES in their entirety. I/We declare that the above particulars are to my/our knowledge true and correct.			
<b>SIGNATURE OF OWNER(S):</b>		<b>DATE:</b>	
<b>DECLARATION BY PARENT/GUARDIAN:</b>			
I/We, the undersigned, understand that the race entered is dangerous and acknowledge and accept entirely at my/our own risk, injury or damage to person or property which may be sustained or incurred as a result of or arising out of my child's participation in the said race or event. I/We further declare that if applicable I/we use at my/our own risk, a Reinforced Cockpit, Deflection Bar(s) or Restraining Belt(s), etc.			
<b>SIGNATURE OF PARENT or GUARDIAN:</b>		<b>DATE:</b>	
<b>Emergency Contact Name</b>		<b>Mobile</b>	

*Please complete top part of Scrutineering form prior to submitting, thank you.*

<b>OFFICIAL USE ONLY</b>					
Received by _____ Council, Australian Power Boat Association					
<b>SIGNED:</b>		<b>DATE:</b>			
<b>Entry Bond:</b>	\$ _____	<b>PAID</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Late Entry Fee:</b>	\$ _____	<b>PAID</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Current Club Memberships Sighted:</b>	<b>YES</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>NO</b> <input type="checkbox"/>		<b>TO PAY</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	



**FILL OUT PRIOR TO SCRUTINEERING:**

Boat Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Tech Inspection Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Motor Make & Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Sealed: Yes / No Seal Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 HULL TYPE: Displacement      Hydro      Tunnel      Mono      Formula Future      Other

Class	Item/Rule	OK	N/A	Fail	Clear
All	No uncleared infringements on Drivers and Owners' Licence Attachment Sheet. <b>Rule 201.02.03</b>				
All	Sighted Drivers Rule Book, Printed or Electronic Copy / Log Book. <b>Rule 201.02.03</b>				
All	Sighted Owner rule Book, Printed or Electronic Copy/ Log Book. <b>Rule 201.02.03</b>				
All	Jacket (with webbing straps & leg straps) <b>Rule 801.01 and 022</b>				
All	Helmet (International Orange / Bright Yellow, name only 20mmx100mm). <b>Rule 801.034</b>				
All	Helmet restraints /Hans Style Device in Reinforced Cockpit Boats. <b>Rule 801.041</b>				
All	Full-length race suit? Ballistic pants/suits Cell Suit in Reinforced Cockpits, Boots or Shoes. <b>Rule 801.05 and .06</b>				
All	Steering components secure & in good condition. Steering stops fitted. <b>Rules 804.12 all</b>				
All	Ignition & Electrical cut out switch cord attached to driver PFD(N/A Reinforced Cockpits). <b>Rule 801.01 all</b>				
All	Throttle Spring Loaded to close at engine and must return to idle. No rubber bands. <b>Rule 804.05</b>				
All	Battery, Fuel tank & Fuel lines. Any hatches all secured. <b>Rule 804.06</b>				
All	Visible flaws in Rudder, Skeg or Propeller. <b>Rule 304.011</b>				
I	Lap Restraint Belt (Velcro lapping. - Ends fluoro Orange or Yellow) (MUST also use External Cut Out Switch on Port side of rear deck). <b>Rule 802.02 all</b>				
I	Propeller locked by Nylock nut (single use) or double nut and/or pinned. <b>Rule 804.010</b> Clearance Prop & Skeg (max 1.5 x shaft diameter). <b>Rule 804.181</b>				
All	Engine breather hose in catch tank and terminated within Hull. <b>Rule 804.22 &amp; 804.07</b>				
I	Is deflective shield fitted covering moving equipment within 300mm from driver's seat. <b>Rule 804.16 all</b>				
All	Is a working power trim indicator gauge fitted. <b>Rules 1102.08 &amp; 1202.12</b>				
All	Breathing Apparatus in Reinforced Cockpit Boats. <b>Rule 1002.180 all</b>				
All	APBA Cell builders number and Tag fixed to Reinforced Cockpit. . <b>Rules 1002.06,.08,..082.</b> Is Annual inspection sticker attached to craft within 300mm of steering wheel. <b>Rule 304.014</b>				
All	Has there been any change of engine/structural damage repairs made since annual inspection?				
Hydros	Check Rudder, Turn Fin and brackets as well as Canard Wing for operation.				

**DRIVER'S DECLARATION: I, the undersigned declare I do not participate in the use of illicit or performance enhancing drugs.**

**INDEMNITY:** I the undersigned realise that powerboat racing is dangerous. I do not rely on officials or this scrutineering for the safety of the boat or my equipment and realise this is my responsibility and that safety or other equipment required cannot guarantee me or my boats safety. If I have taken the decision to use a boat fitted with a Reinforced Cockpit or a Deflection Bar or a Belt Restraint or a combination of either or all three I personally have examined these items fitted to the boat and use them totally at my own risk and at my own choice and I realise that these may make the boat more dangerous in certain conditions. I on behalf of myself, and my heirs or any other person, release all persons and organisations connected with the running, supervision, or administration of the event from any responsibility whatsoever however caused. I sign this indemnity without duress and in the full knowledge that I may be giving up certain legal rights.

SIGNED (BY DRIVER): \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT/GUARDIAN (Formula Future): \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

WITNESS SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ WITNESS NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE TO SCRUTINEERS:** (Rule 808.01), Defects found in the boat during inspections, to be noted on the owners' rulebook attachment page.

**SCRUTINEERS COMMENTS:**

THIS IS ONLY A VISUAL INSPECTION OF THE ITEMS LISTED ABOVE

CLUB SCRUTINEER: Name - \_\_\_\_\_ Signature - \_\_\_\_\_

REFEREE: Name - \_\_\_\_\_ Signature - \_\_\_\_\_

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## Credit Card Authorisation Form

Please complete all fields.

This form will be securely destroyed once payment has been processed.

*Payment will be processed within 24 hours of submitting this form to the Melbourne Runabout & Speedboat Club.*

Please check amount you agree to be charged to the credit card:

- Entry Fee (\$200.00 Senior or \$50.00 Formula Future)
- Shed (\$250.00)
- Camping (\$10.00 per person, per night)
- Presentations (\$40.00 per person, please ensure presentation form is included)

Credit Card Information
Card Type: <input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard <input type="checkbox"/> VISA <input type="checkbox"/> Other
Cardholder Name: _____
Card Number: _____
Expiration Date (mm/yy): _____
CCV: _____

I, \_\_\_\_\_, authorise the Melbourne Runabout & Speedboat Club to charge my credit card above for agreed upon purchases.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date:

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## Promotional Form

*This information will be used to help promote the vent and the sport on social media, over commentary, tv coverage and livestreaming.*

<b>Boat Name:</b>	
<b>Owner:</b>	
<b>Driver:</b>	
<b>Class/es:</b>	
<b>Crew:</b>	
<b>Home Club:</b>	
<b>Engine Make &amp; Size:</b>	<b>Hull Design:</b>
<b>Major Achievements:</b>	
<b>Sponsors:</b>	
<b>Other Information:</b>	

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## Presentation Booking Form

Presentations will be held at 7.00pm on Sunday the 18<sup>th</sup> of February 2024.

It will include a spit roast meal which we require bookings for.

**It will be a cost of \$40.00 per person.**

Please fill out the details below and return with your entry form.

**Boat or Team Name:**

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**Email Address:**

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**Number of People Attending (this is what you will be charged for):**

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**Total Cost (Number of People x \$40.00):**

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**Payment Options:**

Direct Deposit/EFT:                      BSB: 033-080                      Account #: 144768

*Please ensure you provide your booking boat name as the payment description when paying by Direct Deposit*

Credit Card – Please use the attached Credit Card Authorisation Form

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**To be return to the MRSBC by the 4<sup>th</sup> of February 2024.**

Invoices will be sent to nominated email address prior to the event, if not paid beforehand payment will be expected on the night.

**Contact: Marie Ryan – [mrsbc@y7mail.com](mailto:mrsbc@y7mail.com)**