



GEOQUEST NZ

48HR ADVENTURE RACE

Information Pack
15-18TH SEPTEMBER 2023





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WELCOME TO THE FIRST GEO NZ!

It seems like an age since we first announced this event – in the last three years we've dealt with COVID lock-downs, the event director getting cold feet with lower entries and then the catastrophic weather events of January this year – up until very recently we didn't know if a course was possible given the wide spread damage to the area.

Thankfully as roads and access points have re-opened and landslides cleared, we've been able to create a course that, while a bit different to a normal GeoQuest, we're very excited about. There's plenty of adventure and we're ticking off a few of the really big highlights of the area.

For the teams that are new to GeoQuest, which is probably 90% of the field, you're in for a real adventure. The course will feature some exciting kayaking legs including, conditions permitting, a short ocean leg at the start and plenty of fun

moving water later in the course. There will be an epic beach trek with has been a standard feature of most GeoQuest events in the last 20 years and some fantastic single track and gravel trails on the cycling legs. Due to the extensive cyclone damage to the area we will be moving through more urban areas than we normally would on a GeoQuest course – but we're confident the trails network that connects it all together will make it all worth while.

Special thanks goes to our sponsors and local crew who have really helped to make this event happen. Mountain Designs have been long term sponsors of GeoQuest and the Adventure Racing scene in Australia and it will be good to see back in the New Zealand Market in the next few years. The Napier City Council has really done a lot of work to make this event a reality and we hope that it's just the start of a longer term relationship. A big thank you goes to David Tait from GO-4-12 Adventure Events who has helped design the course and believed in us all the way.

But most of all – thanks to everyone that's entered! It's not a big field, but it's going to be a lot of fun!

Chris Dixon

RACE DIRECTOR





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HISTORY

The GeoQuest Adventure Race was created in 2002 and has been held annually since that year. In the first year Rick White, the founder of Mountain Designs, saw great synergies with his brand and Mountain Designs have been a sponsor from the start.

Each year the organisers choose a beautiful location somewhere along the NSW coast to host the race. The first three years the race was held on the South Coast, and since then North Coast locations have been chosen (it is a little warmer further North!).

Every year since the race's inception (except 2010) it has been held on the Queen's Birthday long weekend in June. The first two years of the race there was only the full 48hr course option.

From the third year the Geo-Half was introduced.

In 2018 Chris Dixon from Wild&Co took over GeoQuest from Craig and Louise running a 'special edition' of the event in partnership with Richard Old from Fully Rad Adventures. The 2023 event in South West Rocks will be the fifth GeoQuest run by Wild&Co.





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THE ARWS OCEANIA SERIES

Unique courses that test athletes over 125-500km courses of non-stop day and night racing in the disciplines of trekking, mountain biking, kayaking, and navigation.

Participating teams earn points towards their AR Regional Ranking and the winner of each round gains entry to the ARWS Oceania Championship. The winner of the Regional Championship gains an entry to the global Adventure Racing World Championship.

TOP DOG 24 / HOSTING THE ARWS OCEANIA CHAMPIONSHIPS 2023

WEBSITE: www.arworldseriesoceania.com
DATES: 4-5 November 2023
LOCATION: Canberra, ACT, Australia
DISTANCE: 24hrs / 120km & 80km / full & half

LEGEND EXPEDITION RACE

WEBSITE: www.legendexpd.com.au
DATES: 24 Feb-2 March 2024
LOCATION: Apollo Bay, VIC, Australia
DISTANCE: 6days / 500km & 250km / full & half

TERRA NOVA 24

WEBSITE: www.terranova24.com.au
DATES: 6-7 April 2024
LOCATION: Shoalhaven NSW, Australia
DISTANCE: 24hrs / 120km & 80km / full & half



MOUNTAIN DESIGNS GEOQUEST AUSTRALIA

WEBSITE: www.geoquest.com.au
DATES: 7-10 June 2024
LOCATION: NSW, Australia
DISTANCE: 48hrs / 220km & 120km / full & half

MOUNTAIN DESIGNS HELLS BELLS AR

WEBSITE: www.hellsbells.com.au
DATES: 5-6 August 2023
LOCATION: Sunshine Coast QLD, Australia
DISTANCE: 24hrs / 120km & 80km / full & half

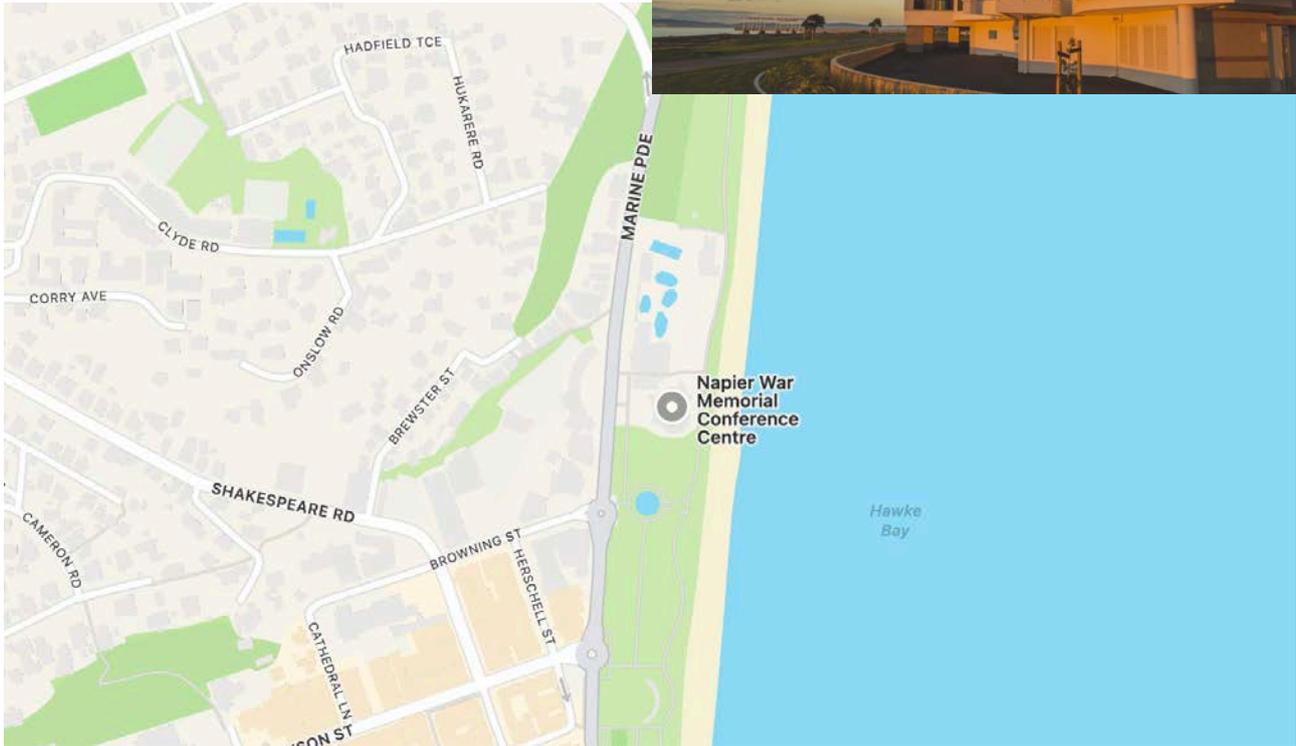
ALPINE QUEST

WEBSITE: www.alpinequest.com.au
DATES: October - November 2024
LOCATION: TBA, Australia
DISTANCE: 24hrs / 120km & 80km / full & half





RACE HQ + ACCOMODATION



Mountain Designs GeoQuest NZ 2023 will be held out of Napier in Hawks Bay, NZ. Headquarters is at the Napier Conference Centre.

**48 Marine Pde,
Bluff Hill, Napier
New Zealand**

For the adventure racer that also appreciates a little art and culture, Napier is the Art Deco capital of New Zealand. Few places in the world have such a broad representation of the Stripped Classical, Spanish Mission, and Art Deco styles within such a confined area, which is why the city

has deservedly become known as the Art Deco Capital.

Napier is home to many fine wineries, fabulous restaurants, bars and cafes. The boutique shops are a must visit and the beautifully transformed Marine Parade is well worth a stroll. From an adventure racing perspective, the entire Hawks Bay region features rugged coastlines, pristine waterways and a stunning hinterland, making it the perfect backdrop for a spectacular 48hr adventure.

For great information about the region check out: www.hawkesbaynz.com





PROGRAM AND TIMINGS

THURSDAY

Evening – teams begin to arrive

FRIDAY

1200 – 1430 – Registration open

1500 – Race Briefing and Course Revealed

1700 – Media Briefing

1700 – Volunteer Official Brief

SATURDAY

0730 – Trackers issued to Teams

0750 – Race start brief and roll call

0800 – Race start

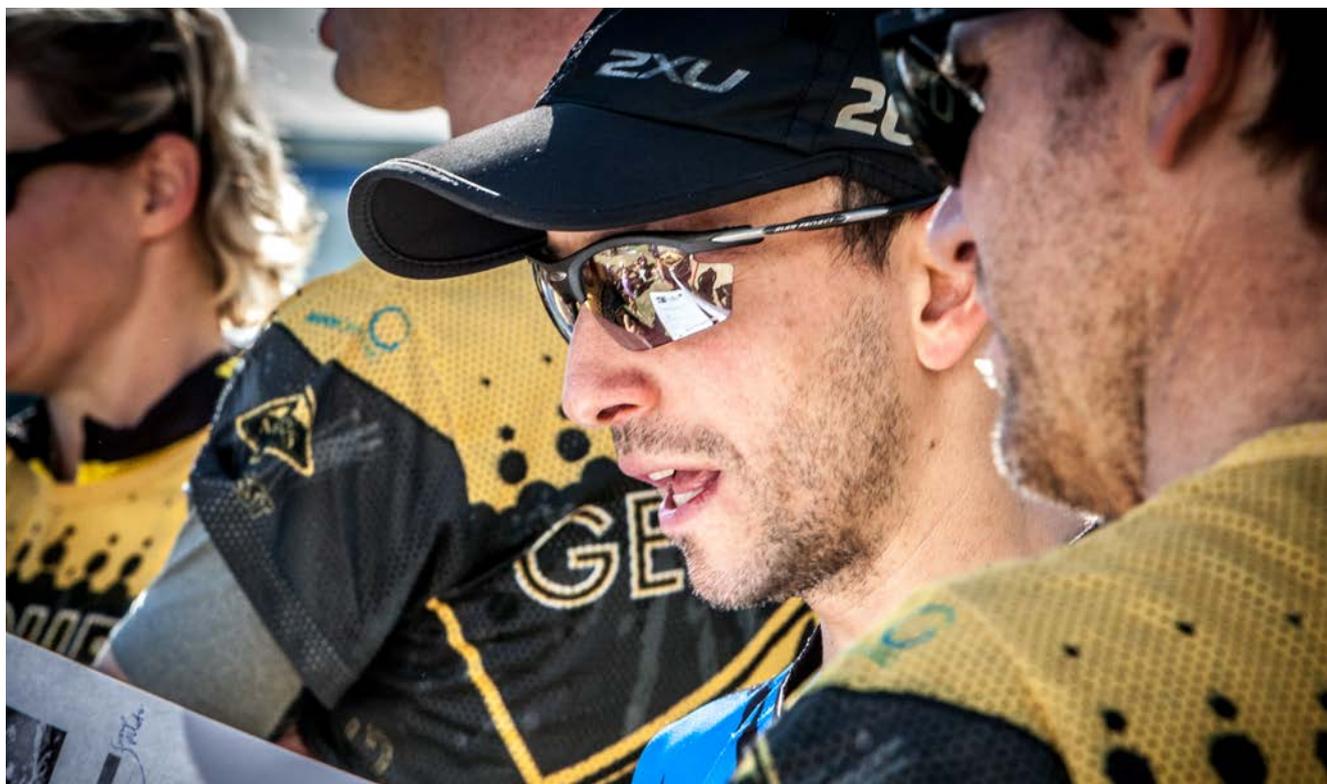
MONDAY

0730 – 1000 – Post Race Breakfast

0900 – 0930 Q & A Session with Winners

0930 – 1000 Presentations

1100 – Course closed





COURSE AND DISCIPLINES

The Mountain Designs GeoQuest course is a linear adventure race. All teams begin the adventure at the same point, then navigate their way through each leg consecutively.

At the end of each leg is a Transition Area where you change from one discipline to the next. At most Transition Areas you will be met by your support crew. You will not stop via HQ during the race. The race finish will be at HQ.

Disciplines this year include:

- Ocean Kayaking (both Full and Half courses, helmets will be required – this will only take place if conditions permit)
- Kayaking inland rivers and waterways, moving water, grade 1 (both Full and Half courses, helmets will be required)
- Hiking / trail running / Coasteering (traveling along beaches, around headlands etc)
- Mountain biking
- Navigation

There is no specific “Mystery Discipline” for 2023. (Though there is still plenty of fun to be had).

There will be no ‘canyoneering’ in the 2023 course, although teams are warned that kayaking legs, particularly at night will be very cold.



Please ensure you have thoroughly researched what is involved with the race and are sufficiently prepared. The website www.geoquest.com.au has extensive information. In particular you can read reports from teams who have competed previously. These are available here: www.geoquest.com.au/race-reports





UNSUPPORTED TEAM LOGISTICS

For 2023 all teams are registered as 'supported' – this is the traditional way GeoQuest was raced and it's exciting to see that for the first NZ edition, teams will race in this format. This information is for future reference only.

GeoQuest has supported and unsupported competitors and there are a few key extra items that unsupported teams will need to bring.

GEAR BOXES

Each unsupported team is to provide 2 x plastic boxes with a volume of no greater than 100L each (max packed weight of 25kgs). These boxes will need your team name and a letter on them (A, and B). Pack items such as:

- Food (e.g. sandwiches, bars, trail mix, chips, etc)
- Drink (water bottles, electrolyte)
- Dry spare clothing (e.g. shirt, socks, jumper etc)
- Batteries for headlamp/ mountain bike
- First aid (e.g. strapping tape, chaffing cream)
- Bike spares (e.g. tubes, pump, lube)

In the course notes (at registration) you will be told the different locations on the course where the organisers will pre-position each of these boxes for you. Boxes are packed prior to the start and

submitted to the logistics official. Be aware that what you pack in these boxes is what you will receive later in the course. Some duct tape is recommended to secure the lids of your boxes.

BIKE BOXES

All unsupported teams will need to pack their bikes into a standard airline bike box (dimensions of 140cm x 80cm x 30cm). These can be purchased from an airline as cardboard boxes (you will need to waterproof them in some way), however corflute boxes are significantly more durable. Instructions on how to build your own bike box can be found on the [Rogue Adventure blog](#). Alternatively, coreflute bike boxes are available for sale from [EnviroBox](#). The Maximum weight allowed is 30kgs.

PADDLE BAG

All unsupported teams must provide a labelled paddle bag or method for the teams paddles and paddle gear to be bundled together – tie down straps are also a good idea. This bag should contain the mandatory kayaking equipment: paddles, PFDs, throw bags, helmet (if required) and glow sticks plus any foam seating used by teams. The maximum weight allowed is 20kgs. If paddles don't fit inside your paddle bag, they must be firmly attached to the bag.

NOTE: You will need to collapse your paddle bag and take it with you on paddle legs.





ON THE COURSE

RACE FINISH AND CUT OFFS

Official course closure is 11:00 am on the Monday morning. All teams must be back by this time.

If during the race you think it doesn't look like your team will finish the course, we recommend you still race for the full time allocated and finish as many legs as you can. You should attempt to collect at minimum one checkpoint per leg to give yourself the best chance of staying as a ranked team.

CHECK POINTS (CP)

Check points (or "Controls") are a point marked on the map with a purple circle (and number/letter) that you will need to visit as a team during the race. At the physical location of a checkpoint you will find a 30cm x 30cm or 15cm x 15cm orange and white orienteering marker. These are usually tied to a tree branch or similar with string. Hanging from the marker is a small punch device that you must use to make an indentation in your control card/ and or race control bands. This indentation proves to the officials that you have visited that checkpoint. Some checkpoints may only have the punch chained to something secure (without the flag - which can tend to attract people to steal it) so use the description to assist in locating the punch. These CPs may or may not have some marking tape to indicate the general area of the chain.

All numerical CPs (CP1, CP2, CP3 etc..) must be collected in the correct numerical order.



Alphabetical CPs (CP A, CP B, CP C etc..) may be collected in any order as deemed most efficient by your team.

In some sections, in addition to the control card, all team members may be required to wear control wrist bands or other recording method. This is to ensure all team members travel to the CP location and no team cheats by leaving a member behind. Control bands must NOT be removed from your wrist unless directed by an official. To punch the band it is easiest if you have a team mate do this for you. Punch in order of the arrows on the band. You must punch BOTH your wristbands AND master control card.

MISSING CPs

You may arrive at a location you believe is correct and you can't find the checkpoint (e.g. you are in the wrong location or it has been stolen or incorrectly placed by the organisation). You can continue to search for the checkpoint, however if you are absolutely certain the control is missing, it is recommended you take a photos of the area if





you have a camera. You should also ensure your tracker has a good view of the sky for approximately 5 minutes to register your location. If the race organisation verifies the control is missing or misplaced, and you can prove you were in the correct spot, you will be credited with this checkpoint. No time adjustments will be made.

COURSE MARKINGS

No direction arrows, tape, markers etc are placed on the course (unless specifically noted in the Course Notes or on Maps).

TIME ESTIMATES

“Fast” time estimates are based on estimated speed of a top 3 team completing that section in good weather conditions and excluding stops/ sleep. “To Finish” times are based on estimated speed of a team who will complete the full course and finish just prior to the final race cut off, completing that section in good weather conditions and excluding sleep.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

Human Waste: You must bury all human waste 20cm below the ground and at least 100 metres from creeks or water ways, or alternatively use a public toilet.

Rubbish: You must carry all rubbish with you to a bin. This particularly relates to the gel packets. If you drop litter on the course we will not be able to get permissions to use areas in the future. If you see rubbish left by another team, please pick it up.

We all accidentally drop things, so do the right thing and ensure we can continue to use beautiful areas in the future.

Wildlife: Hopefully you will see some wildlife during the event. Do not approach or disturb wildlife.

Tracks: Minimise the impact on vegetation by using existing trails where possible.

Gates: Leave them as you found them.

TOILETS AND WATER

There are toilets at some of the transition areas. These are detailed in the course notes. Water is available at some but not all TAs and CPs. Plan wisely for this.

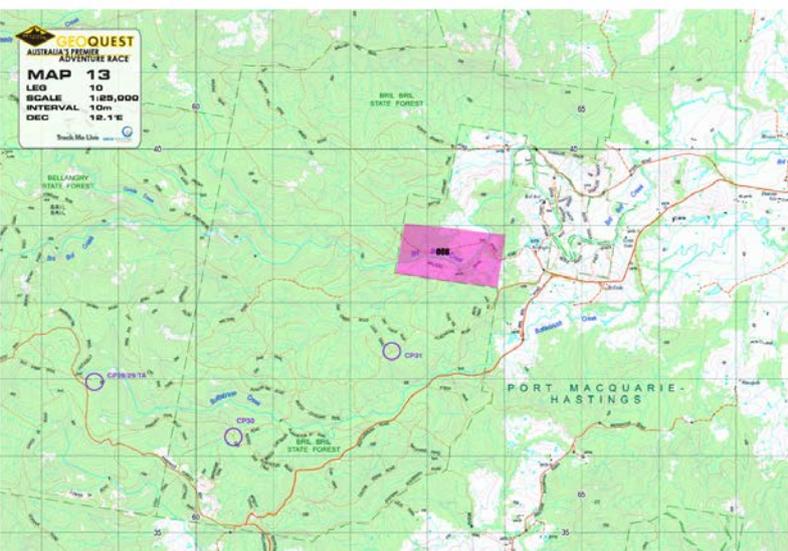




EQUIPMENT

MANDATORY EQUIPMENT

The most up to date Mandatory Equipment list is on the website www.geoquest.com.au. Mandatory equipment checks may be conducted during the race.



RACE MAPS

Your team is provided with TWO sets of colour 1:50k topographic maps, on A4 & A3 sheets and printed on water proof paper

There is also an overview map included. The maps have been printed from common source data, meaning that all colours, symbols, contour intervals, magnetic variation and scale are consistent between all race maps.

RACE BIBS

Every competitor is provided with a race bib that must be worn at all times during the race. These are returned at the finish line. Generally lower numbers are allocated to Full Course teams and higher numbers to Geo-Half teams. Numbers 1,2 & 3 are reserved for the team who placed 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the Full Course in the previous year.

PHONES – COMPULSORY EQUIPMENT

Don't forget you are required to provide one fully charged mobile phone

There is good coverage throughout most of the course. Please note that coverage is generally better on high points, or on points with direct view of a phone tower (usually towards populated areas along the coastal strip). Coverage lessens as you head inland, and certainly when in the valleys (where there may be no reception at all).

Your phone MUST be turned off and remain secured in your bag at all times. It or any other phone must not be used at all while you are racing unless it is for an emergency. You are NOT permitted to call your support crews, surf the live site or find your location on a map!

PERSONAL GPS

If you would like to record your route you are able to include a personal GPS inside your bag.





GEOQUEST KAYAKS

Organisers will provide all GeoQuest teams with kayaks. You will need to provide mandatory equipment as per the mandatory gear list including whistles and glow sticks.

Organisers will move kayaks to the start, and from the end of each kayak. You will not keep the same exact same kayak for through the race so please remove all your equipment at the end of each kayak leg.

Kayaks used will be a mixed fleet of double sit on top kayaks similar to those pictured above. Teams will be required to use one of each type of kayak.

PFD'S AND PADDLES

All GeoQuest competitors are encouraged to bring their own paddles and PFDs.

Organisers can use supplied PFDs and Paddles if needed, however you MUST let us know how many you need by June 13 as we need to source these for you. You must place an order with us for the required equipment using this form:

[CLICK HERE > HIRE PADDLES AND PFDs](#)

If you do not let us know, you will not have one provided. Pre-ordered PFDs and paddles will be given to you at race registration and be collected back at the end of the race.





SAFETY

PARTICIPANT RESPONSIBILITY

During the event you must be aware the rescue by the organisers or emergency services may not be possible immediately. In the first instance you are responsible for yourself and your team mates. Organisers have assets in place to assist, but for whatever reason they may not be immediately available.

It is not practically possible to provide all the safety needed for all the possible scenarios. If you are not willing to accept this self responsibility, you should not start the race.

If you get to a point in the course that you decide you are not comfortable and confident in completing safely, it is your responsibility to do something about it. If you feel the level of inherent

risk is unacceptable, do something about it. Avoid it, withdraw, it is your decision.

SAFETY ASSETS INCLUDE:

- Firstly your team mates and support crew.
- Event officials with first aid certificates and training.
- 1 x First Response team with first aid trained officials.
- Watercraft safety including event officials and the Surf Lifesaving Club for ocean kayaking.
- Normal access to emergency services via dialing '111'

NO ROAD CLOSURES

No roads have been closed for the event. You must use extreme caution any time you are on a road. You must obey road rules at all times.





SUPPORT CREWS

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Support Crews will receive a briefing at the 1500 hrs course hand out. Make sure at least one of your support crew can make it to this brief. Race officials will try to help you get to the right places at the right time, but ultimately this is you and your team's responsibility.

Support crew notes this year will be available electronically as a PDF file which will be linked to the main www.geoquest.com.au website at 1500hrs Friday.

A four wheel drive vehicle is not required, but you will be required to drive on good unsealed roads. It is recommended that you fill your vehicle with fuel before the start. 24hr service stations may be difficult to find.

Please note that support teams are only required to move bikes and gear including paddles and pfd's for teams – the GeoQuest crew will move all kayaks.



TRANSITION AREAS

There are two types of mid leg TAs. No other equipment may be pre-positioned anywhere else on the course.

Support Allowed – At these TAs teams have full access to support crews.

No Support Allowed – No Support Crew are allowed to these TAs. They are generally remote, hard to get to and have little parking. They may also be designated to allow support crews some rest time.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Your family, friends etc are more than welcome to come to the event to cheer you on. Over the years the number of families coming to the event for a holiday weekend has increased significantly. Most teams now come with a large entourage of family and friends!





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LIVE COVERAGE

LIVE WEB COVERAGE

As in previous years, the event will have dedicated live web site. There will also be a version optimised for your mobile devices (eg iPhone/ iPad). The link for this will be shared during the week before the race. (and linked to www.geoquest.com.au)

Teams will carry tracking devices so the world can watch your every move while you race. Images, interviews, social media and maps of the course will also be posted to the site. Coverage will commence on Friday.

Recommended - If your support crew can access a smart phone or tablet, they will be able to watch you throughout the race and know when to arrive at transitions.

FACEBOOK: Photos and updates will be posted on the Wild&Co Facebook page - www.facebook.com/wldnco

TRACKING

Each team will be issued with a live tracking device. This is to be kept inside the water proof container/bag provided and it **MUST** be carried in the top of your back pack otherwise it won't work. The device is water resistant but not designed to be submerged - keep it in the container/bag!

The device stores your location through the inbuilt GPS and will transmit every 3 minutes providing it has reception. If it can't send, it will continue to store your locations until it gets reception.

Please note if you are lost and in a remote area without phone coverage, we may not be able to see your location. Move to high ground and different aspects of a hill or high point for a better chance of GPS reception.





RACE RULES

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There is a copy of the race rules on the website at www.geoquest.com.au The event uses the standard Adventure Racing World Series rules of competition.

Adventure racing relies on the honesty of teams during the race. If you observe a team on the course breaking any of the race rules please raise this directly with the team. They may be new to the sport and not be aware of some particular rules. There may also be a valid reason or you may have misunderstood the situation - in which case you can clarify the situation there and then.

OUT OF BOUNDS (OOB)

There are a number of out of bounds areas marked on the race maps in pink. These are generally dangerous areas such as the main Highway and other major roads, other imposed restrictions from NSW Forestry and National Parks (eg recent harvesting), or specific private land holdings that we do not have permission to use.

Out of bounds areas are STRICTLY no go. Traversing these areas will receive heavy penalties or disqualification. If you find yourself in an OOB area, you must return the way you entered and go around.

Private Property is always out of bounds unless you are told it is specifically open to the event. Some private property may be marked in pink on race maps where the organisers think it may help teams when planning a route. However, you are still prohibited from entering private property even if it is not marked in pink on your race maps.

PENALTIES AND DISQUALIFICATIONS

Disqualifications will normally result from a deliberate breach of the race rules. Time penalties will normally result from an un-intentional breach of the rules or non-completion of a segment of the course. The penalty will usually be in the form of additional time added to a team's final race time.

Below is an indication of penalties given at past GeoQuest races:

- Break 100m rule - 4-8hrs, or DQ if this occurs in potentially dangerous area (including ocean kayaking).
- Missing mandatory equipment at a check - 2-4hrs .
- Lost control card/ wrist band - 0.5 - 1hr per band.
- Incorrectly punching wrist band/ not punching master card with wrist band - 15 mins.
- Missing CP - as per deviation time in rules.
- Late finish - 2.5 x time past official finish time.
- Assistance by safety craft - 6-10hrs.
- Rescue from dangerous situation - DQ.





RACE FINISH



FINISH LINE

Finish line will be at Race HQ.

BBQ BREAKFAST

Each year a community group is engaged to cook a BBQ breakfast for all the teams and 2 x support crews. The event provides them a donation and it is a great way that we can support the local community. The breakfast goes from 0730 on the Monday through to 1000. Additional servings can be purchased on the day for a small amount.

PRESENTATIONS BY WINNING TEAMS

From 0900-0930 the winning teams in each category are invited to share their race experience. There is also a question and answer session at the end of their talk where you have the opportunity to ask them just about anything you like!

RACE PRESENTATIONS

These are short and sweet as we know everyone is getting ready for a long drive home. The main reason to stay around for the presentations is the large number of random draw prizes available!

COURSE CLOSURES

All teams must be finished by 1100.





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FINAL POINTS

VOLUNTEERS

Many event volunteer officials have given up their time to assist over the weekend which makes it possible for you to participate in this adventure race. Please be courteous to them on the course and make sure when you see them that you tell them you appreciate them contributing their time to support this event and our sport.

If there is an issue on the course that causes any anger or frustration then you must talk to the event directors. Bad behaviour to the volunteer officials will not be tolerated.

FINAL POINTS

Don't forget, there is a lot of information on the web site (www.geoquest.com.au) that you will need to be aware of.

Reminder – every participant in the Mountain Designs GeoQuest needs to have Ambulance cover. If you have forgotten to do this, make sure it is done prior to race registration. Check that your team mates have the required cover.

Insurance – The event organisers have a public liability insurance policy to the value of 20 million dollars. This is a compulsory insurance policy in New Zealand for events that are organised on, or cross through, any form of government land/public place. This is not personal accident insurance for you! It is strongly recommended you have your own personal accident insurance.

Team captains – once again please note that this information has only been sent to those email addresses you provided on your entry form. Don't forget to tell your team mates what is happening!

If you have any questions, please contact me

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, WAIVER AND RELEASE – COMPETITORS + SUPPORT

WARNING: THIS IS A LEGAL DOCUMENT THAT AFFECTS YOUR RIGHTS. PLEASE READ ALL OF (2 PAGES) THE DOCUMENT CAREFULLY.

1. I understand and acknowledge that participating in the GeoQuest Adventure Race (the **Event**) from 9-12th June 2023 is a dangerous activity. The Event may involve mountain biking, kayaking, trekking, running, navigation, rafting, snorkelling, Stand Up Paddle boarding, abseiling, use of a tyrolean traverse and/or a flying fox, rock climbing, ascending, swimming, rock scrambling, coastal travel, sailing, driving, crossing and/or travelling on roads, roller skating, caving, snow traversing, traversing isolated and remote tracks, repairing equipment and other unspecified activities. I am aware and understand the activities I will potentially be involved in. Hazards include, but are not limited to remoteness from assistance or medical aid, the extremely strenuous nature of the Event including participating at night, becoming lost, vehicle traffic, actions of other participants spectators and public, weather conditions, flood, fire, storm, sleeplessness, hypothermia and heat exhaustion, condition or suitability of participant's equipment, natural and man made objects in the environment and other unspecified hazards. I am aware of the hazards involved and acknowledge that there is always risk of injury (including permanent injury, mental injury, paralysis and death) and damage to my property. In my judgment I have sufficient competence, knowledge, common sense, experience, survival skills and equipment to participate in all Event activities in a manner safe to myself and others.
2. I certify that I am physically fit and that I have sufficiently trained for participation in the Event and have not been advised otherwise by a qualified medical person that I can not participate in the Event and that I have been given the opportunity by the organiser to attend a pre event briefing session.
3. In consideration of being allowed to participate in the Event, I (on my own behalf and on behalf of my executors, administrators, heirs, next of kin, successors and assigns):
 - A. WAIVE, RELEASE AND DISCHARGE from any and all liability for death, disability, personal injury, property damage, property theft and all other risks, claims or actions of any kind (including breach of contract, acts of negligence to the fullest extent permitted by law) whatsoever and however occurring, together with any legal fees incurred as a result of any such claim whether it is valid or not, which I at any time had or have as a result of or in connection with, directly or indirectly, my participation in and my travelling to and from the Event the following person or entities: Wild&Co, Event sponsors, Event producers, community organisations, all State, Federal and Local Government authorities in which the Event may be staged and the owners, licensees or occupiers of any property upon which I enter and their (its) respective officers, directors, employees, independent contractors, sponsors, representatives, agents, members and volunteers, including medical and paramedical personal appointed for the Event;
 - B. INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS the persons or entities mentioned in paragraph 3(a) from any and all liabilities, claims or actions (including negligence) whatever or however caused arising as a result of or in connection with, directly or indirectly, my participation in and travelling to and from the Event, including any claim by my (or my team's) support crew or any person assisting me or my team;
4. I acknowledge that I am responsible for my personal possessions and equipment during the Event.
5. I accept the communications, search, rescue and medical aid arrangements put in place by the organisers. I understand and agree that in the first instance I am responsible for the provision of first aid to myself and those around me. As a competitor or support crew I am responsible for myself or my team's timely removal from the course to a medical facility. I give my consent to receive any first aid and medical treatment which may be deemed advisable in the event accident, injury and/or illness as a result of my involvement in the Event.
6. I certify that the medical information supplied by me on the entry form is true and I consent to and authorise that information to be provided to any medical practitioner, ambulance officer or any person involved or associated with any medical treatment or assistance that may be given to me as a result of my participation in the Event, regardless of whether the treatment is given.
7. I agree to allow my photograph, video, multimedia or film likeness and or name to be used for any legitimate purpose by Wild&Co, it's sponsors or assigns without notification, payment or compensation.





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8. I acknowledge that the Event arranged insurance covers myself for public liability whilst participating in this event. I am responsible for my personal accident insurance and ambulance cover.
9. I acknowledge that the organisers reserve the right to alter the advertised course if conditions warrant. I agree that the organisers reserve the right to cancel or postpone the Event due to weather conditions, natural disaster, "acts of god", terrorism, war or any other reason so deemed by the organisers, and that my entry fee will be non-refundable.
10. I agree to abide by the Event rules and directions of officials and I understand that my entry may be voided if through my actions or behaviour, if in the opinion of the organisers, I break any of the rules or I bring the Event into disrepute. I further understand that the organisers reserve the right to reject any entry without having to justify their actions.
11. I certify that I will be eighteen (18) years of age or older before the Event starts or that I have full permission from my parent/guardian and they have read and understood the above and will co-sign below.
12. **I have carefully read this form (2 pages) and understand and agree to its contents.**





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WALL OF FAME



2019 WINNERS: Thought Sports

TEAM MEMBERS: Tim Boote, Kathryn Preston, Rob Preston, Damon Goerke (L to R)

WINNING TIME: 30 Hours 18 Minutes

COURSE LOCATION: Yamba, NSW North Coast



2018 WINNERS: Thought Sports

TEAM MEMBERS: Kathryn Preston, Damon Goerke, Dave Schloss, Rob Preston (L to R)

WINNING TIME: 32 Hours 12 Minutes

COURSE LOCATION: Forster, NSW North Coast



2017 WINNERS: Thunderbolt

TEAM MEMBERS: Josh Street, Bernadette Dornom, Hugh Stodart, Leo Theoharis (L to R)

WINNING TIME: 15 Hours 41 Minutes (weather shortened course)

COURSE LOCATION: Sawtell, NSW North Coast





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AUSTRALIA'S PREMIER ADVENTURE RACE



2016 WINNERS:

www.adventurejunkie.com.au

TEAM MEMBERS: Hugh Stodart, Serge Kurov, Josh Street, Bernadette Dornom (L to R)

WINNING TIME: 24 Hours 27 Minutes

COURSE LOCATION: Port Macquarie, NSW North Coast

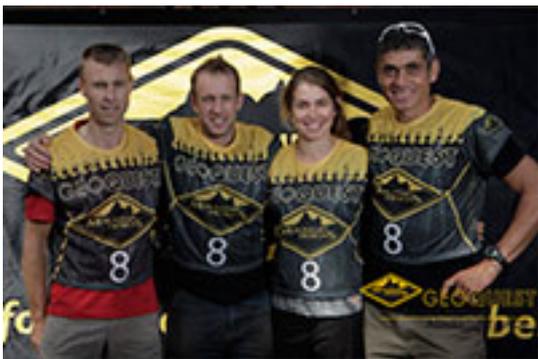


2015 WINNERS: www.peakadventure.com.au

TEAM MEMBERS: Sam Steadman, Josh Street, Emma Weitnauer, Jarad Kohlar (L to R)

WINNING TIME: 27 Hours 15 Minutes

COURSE LOCATION: Hawks Nest Tea Gardens, NSW North Coast



2014 WINNERS: Seagate

TEAM MEMBERS: Jacob Roberts, Stuart Lynch, Sophie Hart, Nathan Faavae (L to R)

WINNING TIME: 25 Hours 25 Minutes

COURSE LOCATION: Crescent Head, NSW North Coast





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2013 WINNERS: Macpac

TEAM MEMBERS: Jarad Kohlar, Damon Goerke, Rob Preston, Kathryn Preston (L to R)
WINNING TIME: 27 Hours 34 Minutes
COURSE LOCATION: Harrington, NSW North Coast



2012 WINNERS: Macpac

TEAM MEMBERS: Kathryn Preston, Rob Preston, Richard Mountstephens, Damon Goerke (L to R)
WINNING TIME: 35 Hours 17 Minutes
COURSE LOCATION: Forster, NSW North Coast



2011 WINNERS: blackheart.com.au

TEAM MEMBERS: Kim Willocks, Rob Preston, Damon Goerke, Josh Street (L to R)
WINNING TIME: 28 Hours 30 Minutes
COURSE LOCATION: Nambucca Heads, NSW North Coast



2010 WINNERS: Mexicans

TEAM MEMBERS: Andrew Wolstencroft, Damon Goerke, Kim Willocks, David Provan (L to R)
WINNING TIME: 33 Hours 10 Minutes
COURSE LOCATION: Port Macquarie, NSW North Coast





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2009 WINNERS: Dude, Where's My Bruno

TEAM MEMBERS: Kris Plain, Katrin Van der Spiegel, Richard Mountstephens, Sam Maffett (L to R)

WINNING TIME: 30 Hours 3 Minutes

COURSE LOCATION: Forster, NSW North Coast



2008 WINNERS: APEX

TEAM MEMBERS: John Jacoby, Christie Sym, Simon Manson, Hugh Stodart (L to R)

WINNING TIME: 28 Hours 43 Minutes

COURSE LOCATION: Emerald Beach, NSW North Coast



2007 WINNERS: adventuregear.com.au

TEAM MEMBERS: John Jacoby, Guy Andrews, Sam Maffett, Kim Beckinsale (L to R)

WINNING TIME: 28 Hours 17 Minutes

COURSE LOCATION: Sawtell, NSW North Coast



2006 WINNERS: Mountain Designs

TEAM MEMBERS: Gary Sutherland, Brit Kaling, Brett Stevens, Craig Stevens (L to R)

WINNING TIME: 35 Hours 57 Minutes

COURSE LOCATION: Stuarts Point, NSW North Coast





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2005 WINNERS: AROC Mountain Designs
TEAM MEMBERS: Alina McMaster, Kris Clauson, Matt Dalziel, Tom Landon-Smith (L to R)
WINNING TIME: 29 Hours 13 Minutes
COURSE LOCATION: Bonny Hills, NSW North Coast



2004 WINNERS: AROC Mountain Designs
TEAM MEMBERS: Tom Crebbin, Tom Landon-Smith, Alina McMaster, Nigel Aylott (L to R)
WINNING TIME: 29 Hours 12 Minutes
COURSE LOCATION: Eden, NSW South Coast



2003 WINNERS: AROC GoLite
TEAM MEMBERS: Tom Crebbin, Matt Dalziel, Tom Landon-Smith, Alina McMaster (L to R)
WINNING TIME: 28 Hours 07 Minutes
COURSE LOCATION: Bendalong, NSW South Coast



2002 WINNERS: Mexicans
TEAM MEMBERS: Nigel Aylott, Damon Goerke, Kim Willocks, Mark Mex (L to R)
WINNING TIME: 41 Hours 05 Minutes
COURSE LOCATION: Nelligen, NSW South Coast

