

MAGNETIC ISLAND OUTRIGGER CANOE CLUB



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Dear Sir/Madam,

On the 18th to the 21st May 2006, Magnetic Island Outrigger Canoe Club is hosting the National Outrigging Championships at the Strand Park, Townsville. The Australian National Championships will draw paddlers from all around Australia to compete for the title of National Champ. This will be four days of exciting, highly competitive racing.

We are expecting approximately 500 people to participate. This will include paddlers and as well as encouraging the local community to join the outriggers at the Strand. For example, we will be having children's activities throughout the day, health tent, trade show, a cultural event and outrigger racing including novelty events for the general public to come, view and participate in.

During this time Magnetic Island is seeking set up a trade show. We are encouraging all people involved in outrigging to set up a stalls and show and sell their ware to the outrigging community and the general public. We will be seeking a variety of trades people to participated in the trade show. There will be a site fee for setting up the trade stall, but no other charges will be placed on your stall, so you may reap the benefits.

As stated above the successful trade show vendor will incur a site fee cost. This price has not yet been ascertained. However, as soon as we have ascertained this cost we will communicate this fee so that you can continue with your expression of interest or withdraw it. It is expected that the site fee will be costed out in the next month.

As we move closer to the event, the regatta programme will be provided. This will enable you to look at each days racing and organise a roster. Racing does start early in the morning, so you may want to get set up early for paddlers, officials and all the early morning traffic on the strand. Generally the Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday will start early in the mornings and finish in the late afternoon. Saturday will see the event go into the early evening as we will be hosting a cultural event.

The trade show will be under the main marquee constructed in Strand Park. In this area there will also be food vendors, masseurs and other health items, children's activities and much more. This area will have a lot of traffic through it and will be the perfect place to show and sell your wares!

If you are interested in providing a trade show stall at the National Championships, please provide us with an expression of interest. The expression of interest should contain;

- Who you are
- What you will be providing
- Space requirements
- Power requirements – distribution boards and leads that are required (if needed)
- The amount of electricity needed (amps)
- Any other requirements

As a trade show vendor you will be required to have the appropriate insurance/public liability and comply with all Townsville City Council requests. The EOI will close on 3 March 2006.

Thankyou for your time and consideration. We look forward to hearing from you.