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Dear IVF Representatives & Area Coordinators,

The 2019 World Distance Championships work is in full swing with intent closing in February and the initial draft of the race schedule being provided today. AOCRA's committee along with the IVF Race committee and board have been working together on preparations. This letter is to provide answers to questions we have been fielding from area coordinators and paddlers since the opening of entries. We hope this provides those answers, if not, please do not hesitate to ask.

Equipment:

V1 – Zulu at 12 kg and rigged with timber iako

V6 – Kamanu at 130 kg utilizing aluminium iako and Comet ama

Photos can be found on AOCRA's site <https://aocra.com.au/eventdetails.php?eventid=276>

All canoes will be provided by AOCRA, no personal vaa / outriggers are allowed.

Course:

There will be two planned courses of 8 km and 12 km. All events will be two laps of the assigned course with the exception of the Para vaa and Master 70 – their course will be a single 12 km lap in V1 and 2 laps of the 8km course for V6 (16km). The registration and canoe launch area will be off Mooloolaba's beach just west of the Mooloolaba River Mouth and Rock Wall Mooloolaba. A basic diagram is displayed below.

Schedule:

Opening ceremonies will be on Saturday afternoon August 10 with training time available Friday, Saturday & Sunday only.

Racing will take place from Monday, August 12 through Friday, August 16. Our daily schedule will be based on having 11 hours of daylight – 6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily. Details per day will be determined closer to the event and include weather and tide conditions. Each day will have three or four races occur with some divisions on the course together. A staggered start may be utilized to ensure the division racers are not in conflict over the course of their race.

Closing ceremonies will follow the end of the day Friday.

By alternating the events between V1 and V6 outriggers, equipment can be prepared for the next event with plenty of time allowed for crews to review their race equipment prior to their event.

Accommodations: AOCRA is not providing housing and meal packages, you may contact their travel coordinator for assistance with your team accommodations. Samantha Renvoye at International Travel Consultants (+61 7 5445 6284) or [Samantha.renvoye@flightcentercom.au](mailto:Samantha.renvoye@flightcentercom.au)

Those interested in the Aussie Aito race, it will be held in the same location August 17. More details will be available on the AOCRA web site soon.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lara Collins".

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## 2019 World Distance Championship - Draft Schedule

10-Mar-19

Race #	Day 1 - Aug 12	#	
		Va'a	Distance
		KM	
1	J19 Women V6	7	24
	Master 50 Women V6	10	24
2	Open Women V1	17	16
3	Master 40 Men V6	11	24
	Master 60 Men V6	6	24
4	J19 Men V1	11	16

Race #	Day 2 - Aug 13	#	
		Va'a	Distance
		KM	
5	Master 70 Men V6	4	16
	Para Mixed V6	2	16
	Master 70 Women V6	3	16
6	Master 60 Women V1	8	16
7	Master 50 Men V6	12	24
	Master 40 Women V6	10	24
8	Open Men V1	19	16

Race #	Day 3 - Aug 14	#	
		Va'a	Distance
		KM	
9	J19 Women V1	9	16
	Master 50 Women V1	12	16
10	J19 Men V6	9	24
11	Master 40 Men V1	15	16
	Master 60 Men V1	8	16

Race #	Day 4 - Aug 15	#	
		Va'a	Distance
		KM	
12	Master 70 Women V1	4	12
	Para Women V1 VL2/3/4	3	12
13	Open Women V6	16	24
	Master 60 Women V6	7	24
14	Master 70 Men V1	6	12
	Para Men V1 VL1/2/3/4	12	12

Race #	Day 5 - Aug 16, Closing	#	
		Va'a	Distance
		KM	
15	Master 40 Women V1	17	16
16	Open Men V6	17	24
17	Master 50 Men V1	13	16

