



AcroFest 21 Safety Plan

Your own safety must come first.

You cannot help in an emergency if you are injured yourself.

Contact Info and Phone Numbers		
Organization	Contact	Telephone
ALL Emergency Services	Police/Fire/ Ambulance/ Rescue	111
Harbour Master	Steve Rushbrook	0800 474 082
Meet Director	Ben Kellett	0212327217
Tow Operation	Paratownz	0273677679
Organizers	Nico San Ben French	0210527250 0225300122
Launch Marshalls	Nico San, Edward McGrath	0210527250 0275843843
Safety Boat	Jesse Due	

Radio Frequencies	
UHF Frequency	477.150
Airband	119.100

Equipment Available	
Equipment	Location
Fire Extinguisher	Tow Boat, Take Off
First Aid Kits	Tow Boat, Take Off, Safety Boat

Emergency Services		111
Police	Cromwell	111 or 034451999
Ambulance	Cromwell	111 or 034451119

AED Locations:

- Moorings Restaurant and Bar, 23 Perriam Pl, Mount Pisa 9383.

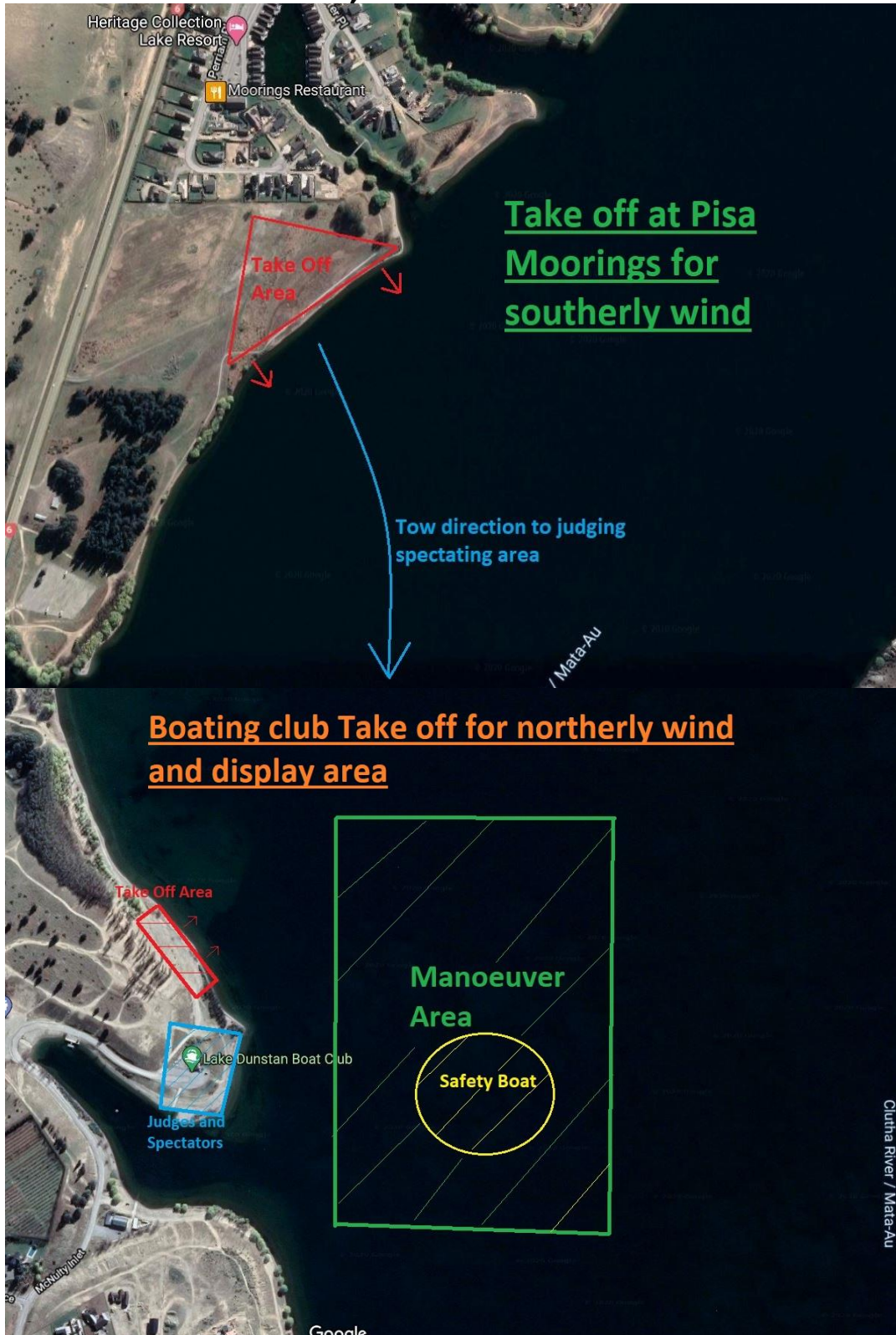
- Z Cromwell, 19 Murray Place, Cromwell 9310

Radio Calls

- "STOP, STOP, STOP" abort take off.
- "WATER, WATER, WATER" pilot will land or has landed in water.
- "RELEASE, RELEASE, RELEASE" end of tow.

Competition Location:

South Lake Dunstan, Lake Dunstan Boat Club, Partridge Road, Cromwell 9310



In the event of an emergency:

All flying to cease to allow access to emergency services

IN THE EVENT OF A WATER LANDING

- **As soon** as it is clear that someone will land in the water the call over the radio should be made "Water, Water, Water"
- **Other pilots** to land as soon as possible back at HQ, any other towing to cease.
- **Safety boat** to attend as soon as possible and should be first on scene.
- **Tow Boat** to assist once tow line has been fully retrieved.
- **Pilot** to be taken to the HQ (Boating Club) where first aid can be administered if necessary.
- **AED** location nearest Z garage and Pisa Moorings.

IF YOU HAVE AN ACCIDENT

- Leave your glider spread open to alert others that you need help. Call for help on radio / cell phone.
- If you have a Spot, a Delorme Inreach or PLB, activate the help/emergency function.

IF YOU WITNESS AN ACCIDENT

- Note location and notify organisers by radio.
- If you can land nearby SAFELY
- Administer first aid
- Call for help from nearby pilots.
- If someone is injured call 111. Refer below.

IF YOU WITNESS AN ACCIDENT BUT CANNOT LAND

- **MARK** the position on your GPS, NOTE the distance to the next nearby landmark and altitude
- **REPORT** info on the radio / safety channel
- **KEEP IN SIGHT** of the accident if you can do so safely. You will get compensation for lost points.
- **MAINTAIN CONTACT** by radio with the organisers and the injured pilot.
- **CHECK** on landing that the incident has been attended to.

If you are the only witness and cannot contact anyone else to do so, you may need to land elsewhere to phone emergency services on 111. Contacting emergency services is more important than remaining in sight of the accident site.

The DECISION TREE:

YOUR OWN SAFETY: Your own safety should be put ahead of any attempted rescue.

ACCESS: Site accessibility a key decision to be made prior to making the 111 call. Can the site be reached by 2WD vehicle, by 4WD vehicle or only by helicopter? Where can a helicopter land? Will an evacuation team be required?

2WD access or an easy helicopter retrieval: Phone 111 and request Ambulance.

4WD access or more complex evacuation: Phone 111 and request Police Search and Rescue.

NOTES:

1. This decision should be made quickly. Time may be important.
2. Consider the safety of the rescuers involved. How will the patient be extracted in this situation?
3. Police Search and Rescue teams are equipped to deal with mountainous terrains. Ambulance staff may not be.

COMMUNICATIONS: Consider if there is cell-phone coverage.

Are you in radio contact with spectators?

If you have a Spot, a Delorme Inreach or PLB, consider activating the help/emergency function.

You may be able to request via radio that someone else makes the '111' phone call. Someone may need to travel to an area of cell-phone coverage.

If you are not the person contacting emergency services, ensure you are informed once they have been contacted. The messenger should be instructed to provide confirmation to you either via radio or in person.

Keep your radio on.

INFORMATION: Have the following information ready when contacting Emergency Services.

- Nature of emergency – Accident / Illness
- o Location: Consider GPS coordinates in dd.mm.mmm, distance and bearing from prominent location or landmark, nearest intersection or road name and the altitude (where appropriate). Practice how to establish the GPS coordinates of your location and how to interpret these. If you get GPS coordinates wrong, you will send the rescue team to the wrong location. Always provide a description of the location as well.
- o Site accessibility – 2WD / 4WD / helicopter but see above.
- Details of accident, injuries and the number of people involved.
- What action has been taken.
- Any other known medical conditions / allergies that the patient may have.
- Name of patient
- Your name and cell phone number
- Keep your radio on!

Obtain from the 111 operator their reference for the accident - Usually this is the location of the accident site (e.g. street address) but this can become unclear in the backcountry. This reference should be used in follow up communications to avoid confusion.

INFORM OTHERS: Once 111 has been contacted, inform the patient and any other pilots in the area.

PREPARE THE AREA: Consider packing gliders if a helicopter rescue is expected.

Tow Operation

For safety procedures around the boat pay out tow system please refer to the Paratownz SOP.

MISSING PERSON

After their run if the pilot has not landed back at HQ, in the water near safety boat or reported over radio that they have landed safely on shore then the pilot is assumed to be a missing person and the procedures below will commence. Generally these actions will be undertaken by the Meet Director. If they are unavailable, then the Technical Delegate or any member of the Comp Committee will take their place.

1. Pilot missing after run.
 - Ask other available pilots if missing pilot was seen landing safely?
 - Ascertain last known position / sighting / radio call of missing pilot.
 - Call missing pilot on radio and cell phone.
 - Check the missing pilots accommodation.
 - Send vehicle(s) on search along probable flight path/lake edge (with radios and cell phones).
 - Contact all other pilots and spectators about last sighting of missing pilot.

The above actions should all be initiated within 2 minutes of a pilot landing Deadline. The vehicle search will probably take some time, so it is important to maintain regular contact with the searchers.

2. If the above actions are unsuccessful then contact the local police station and initiate formal Search & Rescue procedures at least one hour before sunset. Sunset is at approx (20:00) hrs during this competition.

The police will need to know the following information:

- Full name of missing pilot. Last known position.
- Predicted flight path (give police a map with the daily task drawn on it). Glider description (type and colour).
- Clothing / colours worn by pilot.
- Emergency equipment carried (food / water / radio / cell phone). Search areas already covered / actions already taken.
- Next of kin details

Note: Pilots may be called upon to assist in searching for a missing pilot. Please help us out in the event that this happens.