



Southern Moreton Bay Communications Plan

Each boat carries a waterproofed mobile phone and handheld waterproof ICOM VHF

Black Watch Leader will ensure a Skippers meeting is held before each passage, and conduct radio checks.

LOG ON / OFF each expedition with VMR Victoria Point 07 3207 8717 on VHF ch 73

EMERGENCY

Call 000/112 or VMR 0407 029 704 / VHF ch 16

Contact Jono to advise on the situation as soon as practical.

In the event of an emergency - all Skippers and staff will follow the Black Watch Leaders directions and report back as required, using their initiative as required.

VHF RADIO - our working channel is 71

First contact for all VMR stations is Ch 73 for their working channel ... if not try:

- Ch 82 repeater in the southern part of the bay
- Ch 81 repeater in the northern part of the bay

VKQ 447 Manly Trailer Boat Club broadcast the Bureau of Meteorology forecasts at 0733 and 1533 Monday to Friday on VHF ch 73

PHONE CONTACTS

VMR Victoria Point 3207 8717 and 0407 029 704

VMR Dunwich 3409 9338

Water Police Brisbane 07 3895 0333

VMR Raby Bay 3821 2244

Straddie ferries 3488 5300
2192

Big Red Cat 3488 9777

Gold Cats 3286

Teerk Roo Ra National Park 3393 4647
7500

Maritime Safety Queensland 3632

SKIPPERS

Ross 0428 573 276

Jono 0428 868 169

Rob 0447 914 859

Kieron 0423 308 108

Danni 0497 016 075

Sally 0467 486 303

Sam 0421 602 698

Kim 0497 199 498

Yonna 0427 762 469

Bob 0427 314 788

HOSPITALS

Redlands hospital 21 Weippin Street Cleveland 3488 3111

Dunwich Hospital 34 Petrie Street Dunwich 3409 9059

Skippers need to show at least one other crew member should know:

- how to turn on and unlock the VHF radio
- how to select the relevant distress and safety frequencies
- how to transmit simple distress and safety messages

Communication with VMR is essential for our risk management, VHF radios also allow us to:

- communicate with other boats, individuals or organisations
- receive navigational warnings and weather updates.

SIGNALS

Vessel to vessel communication is also possible using :

- Voice: sail alongside for discussion, be aware of venturi effect – stay at least 4m apart when sailing at speed
- Hand or paddle signals: as per sea kayaking standards for OK, yes/go, no/stop, come together, help)
- Whistle signals: we use 1 = stop and look, 2 = come closer, 3 = danger/help
- Flags: in addition to marine signal flag system we use: red = danger/stay away, orange = communicate/come closer, rainbow = race for the destination