

Invitation

Event Organiser: The International Balloon Flight Company

Location: Mudgee, New South Wales

Event Dates: Saturday 25th - Friday 31st May

Competition Dates: Monday 27th - Friday 31st May

Event Director: Gary Lacey

Assistant Director: Matthew Scaife

Safety Officer: John Wallington

Jury President: Gren Putland

Jury Member: Ruth Wilson

Weather Information: Don Whitford

Chief Scorer: Steve Ireland

Target Teams: Ian Benning, Carol Benning, Olivia Horvath, Trevor Bain

Landowner Relations: Craig Leggett

Entry fee

The entry fee is \$400 and includes the following:

- Competition management and use of FAI loggers
- 2x printed competition maps (If requested by pilot on Registration Form)
- Light meal served at midday during awards ceremony, Friday 31st May
- Post flight breakfast, Monday 27th May (pilot + 2 crew members)
- Propane for all competition flights

The entry fee must be paid by 31st January 2019. Entry will not be accepted otherwise.

Refuelling

There will be a propane gas tank available for the event. The exact schedule for the refuelling will be published in time.

Check-In

At check-in; start numbers, FAI logger, as well as competition maps (if applicable) will be distributed. The following original documents (not copies) will need to be provided at check-in:

ABF Membership card, ABF PP(B)C,
ABF ROC or CASA FROL
Aerodrome Endorsement
FAI Sporting Licence
Pilot Logbook (with evidence of recent private
BFR or commercial check flight)
Balloon CofR and Balloon CofA

Balloon Logbook (with evidence of last annual/100 hourly) and no outstanding issues noted

Proof of balloon insurance cover for \$2m

Proof of balloon insurance cover for \$2m public liability (you will be notified if any future add ons are required for your insurance).

Provisional schedule

Mudgee Night Glow: Saturday 25th - 16:00 - 20:00

Blue Wren's Balloon's and Bubbles (key Grab) Sunday 26^{th.} - 06:00 - 0900

Check-In: Sunday 26th - 13:30 - 14:30

General Briefing: Sunday 26th - 15:00

First competition flight: Monday 27^{th.} - 05:30

Last competition flight: Friday 31st - 05:30

Check-Out: Friday 31st - After AM Flight - 09:00

Prize Giving: Friday 31st - Midday

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m th}$ May 2019 to compete in the Key Grab

Accommodation

On the website of the city of Mudgee (www.visitmudgeeregion.com.au/rest-your-head) you can find a list of accommodation providers (hotels, inns, camping sites, holiday apartments). There are also plenty of AirBnB's available.

** Mudgee is a popular tourist destination so book early **

Further information

All further information will be published on www.watchmefly.net – the Official Noticeboard for the event.

WhatsApp, we will be using a page named ANBC Mudgee 2019. Once you have registered into the event, the Pilot and Crew Chief contact details will be added to the page. The page will be used to distribute general information before and during the event, it will also be a platform for you to ask relevant questions.

The Event Director will decide at General Briefing if we implement the page as a recall procedure.

Registration

By e-mail to nationals@balloonaloft.com using the Registration Form.

Please attach photos of pilot and balloon. After receiving the registration form, the Pilot will be requested to transfer the entry fee. After receiving the money, the confirmation of participation will be sent.

PLEASE NOTE: Deadline for registration is 31/01/2019. This deadline is set. Time is needed in order for the CASA permit to be organised. NO entries will be accepted after this date.

We look forward to welcoming you and your crew in Mudgee!

Matthew Scaife
Director
The International Balloon Flight Company