



NOTICE OF RACE

NATIONAL E SAILING ASSOCIATION

Forty-fourth AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

to be held at South Lake Macquarie Amateur Sailing Club
Sunshine via Morisset, NSW

28th December 2008 to 3rd January 2009

(Registration & measurement will be available on 27th December 2008)

1 Rules

The regatta / race will be governed by the current rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, the special regulations of the Yachting Australia Inc, the rules of the National E Sailing Association and by the sailing instructions.

2 Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the National E Class.
- 2.2 Eligible boats may enter on the attached Entry Form which shall be lodged with:

NESA (NSW Branch)
C/- Peter Nixey
Hon Secretary
2 Young Street
Warrawee NSW 2074
Phone A/H 02 9487 3131 B/H Mobile 0409 065 299

by 30th November 2008 accompanied by the required fee (see item 3). Entries received after this date may be subject to \$ 20.00 late entry fee.

3 Fees

- 3.1 Race fees including facility fees, regatta shirts, welcome barbecue and presentation dinner. (for two people but excluding drinks)

Regatta Entry: \$ 380 per boat

- 3.2 Other items

Additional shirts and tickets for the above meals will be available for purchase at registration.

4 Schedule of Events

Program:

Race	Day	Date	Time *
Registration & measurement	Saturday	27 December	1300 -1600
Invitation Race	Sunday	28 December	0900 -1200
Welcome social	Sunday	28 December	1430
Heat 1	Monday	29 December	1830
Heat 2	Monday	29 December	1100
Heat 3	Tuesday	30 December	1430
Heat 4	Tuesday	30 December	1100
Heat 5	Wednesday	31 December	1430
Lay day	Thursday	1 January	1100
Heat 6	Friday	2 January	-
Heat 7	Friday	2 January	1100
Heat 8	Saturday	3 January	1430
Presentation night	Saturday	3 January	1100

*Indicates time of Warning Signal

Details of the social events will be advised closer to the regatta date.

5 Measurements

Each boat shall hold a valid measurement certificate and in addition the following measurements/checks may be taken:

Sail dimensions

Sail position bands on spars

Personnel buoyancy vests

Centreboard and rudder dimensions including their location relative to hull

6 Sailing Instructions

The sailing instructions will be available on written request by post from 30 November 2008 from the Secretary and to all competitors from the opening of registration on Saturday, 27 December 2008 at South lake Macquarie Amateur Sailing Club (SLMASC).

7 Regatta Site and Sailing Area

The regatta will be held on Lake Macquarie, sailing from Sunshine within an area approximately 1 to 3 nautical miles to the north east of the SLMASC clubhouse.

8 Courses

The course will consist of a *triangle, windward/return, triangle, windward to finish*, as described in the sailing instructions.

9 Scoring

The Low Point scoring system, Appendix A.4.1 will apply.

10 Fleet Divisions

In addition to the Championship competition, the fleet will be divided in approximately equal numbers into Divisions A, B and C for the purposes of prizes for Divisions B and C. This allocation will be at the discretion of the Race Committee. Where appropriate Divisions will be determined based on a competitor's total score for the first four races sailed. The division groupings will have boats with the lowest scores in Division A followed by a similar sized group with the next highest scores in Division B with the remainder in Division C.

11 Entry Disclaimer

The responsibility for a yacht's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing in this series is hers alone (Rule 4). Competitors shall accept that their participation in the regatta is at their exclusive risk in every respect. By way of entry to the regatta, competitors shall indemnify the organisers and SLMASC, their officers, members, servants and agents in respect to all claims and demands of whatever nature which may be made upon them in connection with the regatta. Competitors remain solely responsible for the seaworthiness of their yacht whose entry is accepted and the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment. The National E Sailing Association and / or SLMASC reserve the right to refuse an entry.

12 Prizes

Trophies will include those listed as follows:-

- (a) Invitation Race
 - Ross Paulson Memorial Trophy (Donated by Wendy Paulson)
 - 1st Personal trophy for skipper and crew
- (b) Championship
 - 1st Stephen Dearnley perpetual trophy for the skipper
Mike Sherlock Perpetual Trophy for the crew
plus personal trophies for the skipper and crew
 - 2nd Personal Trophies for skipper and crew
 - 3rd Personal Trophies for skipper and crew
- (c) Masters Title
 - Wayne Scott memorial trophy (Donated by the SA Branch)
 - (First placed boat with a total age of skipper and crew between 85 and 99 years)*
- (d) Grandmasters Title
 - Wise family perpetual trophy (Donated by Eric and Zoe Wise)
 - (First placed boat with a total age of skipper and crew greater than 99 years)*
- (e) Division B
 - 1st Stephen Cole Memorial Trophy for the skipper
plus personal trophies for the skipper and crew
- (f) Division C
 - 1st Wally Tonkin Memorial Trophy for the skipper
plus personal trophies for the skipper and crew
- (g) Jock Lawler Memorial Trophy
 - To be awarded to the member, selected by the national committee
as having most contributed outstanding service to the association
over the previous 12 months.
- (h) Australian National E Junior Trophy
 - To be awarded to the highest placed skipper who is under the age of 20
years on the first day of the championships, or if there is no qualifying
skipper, to the highest placed crew member under the age of 20 years.

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44th Australian Championships 2008/2009
to be held at South Lake Macquarie Amateur Sailing Club

ENTRY FORM

Honorary Secretary
NESA Inc NSW Branch
2 Young Street
Warrawee NSW 2074

Please enter the National E Class yacht.....Sail No E.....
for the Championship event to be conducted at the South Lake Macquarie Amateur Sailing Club,
from Saturday 27 December 2008 to 3 January 2009.

This yacht is currently insured for the period ending/...../.....(expiry date of policy)

..... (name of insurer)

As owner, I and my crew are a financial members of the NESA and the entered yacht is certified /
is not certified as Measurement Class "A" (strike out words not applicable). I understand that this
entry is valid only if the yacht is insured for full racing risk during the period of this Championship
event. I agree to be bound by the racing rules of the ISAF and by all other rules that govern the
event and I acknowledge that Rule 4 – Decision of a Yacht to Race, places the sole responsibility
for deciding to participate in a race or to continue racing as hers alone.

The helmsman during the event will be(please print)

I have enclosed the entry fee*

Owner's signature.....Date...../...../.....

Owner's name

Address.....

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Telephone no..... Club.....

Name of crew member(s)...../.....

Information / description for yacht identification

Hull colour..... Spinnaker colour / design (include sketch)

Deck colour

Mainsail peak colour.....

Jib peak colour

* Entry fee \$380 if paid by 30 November 2008 or a \$20 late entry fee charge may be
applied.