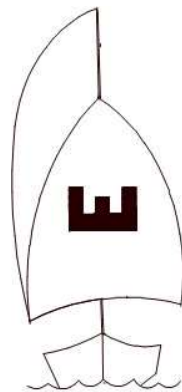


Notice of Race

for the

NATIONAL E SAILING ASSOCIATION 51st AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2017

**National E Sailing Association in conjunction with
Wangi RSL Amateur Sailing Club Invites entries to race
on Lake Macquarie
January 3rd to 7th 2017**



The Organising Authority for this Series is the National E Sailing Association (NESA) in conjunction with Wangi RSL Amateur Sailing Club (WASC).

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Championship will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2013 – 2016 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) of the International Sailing Federation (ISAF) as amended.
- 1.2 The rules and regulations of the National E Sailing Association shall apply except as altered by the Sailing Instructions or this Notice of Race.
- 1.3 The Special Regulations of Yachting Australia Part 2 shall apply.
- 1.4 The Prescriptions of Yachting Australia shall apply
- 1.5 If there is conflict between any of the rules or regulations, other than RRS, the Sailing Instructions will prevail.

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 This is a Class A Event in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the National *E* Class with a valid measurement certificate.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter on the attached Entry Form which should be lodged with Regatta Coordinator by 1800 hours on the 2nd January 2017 with the required fee.
- 3.3 All competitors must confirm membership of NESA and YA not later than 1100 hours on 3rd January 2017.

4 FEES

- 4.1 Entry Fee for lodgement by 4th December 2016 is \$390.00 per boat. The entry fee includes welcome night barbecue, presentation dinner and shirts for helm and crew.
- 4.4. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority and if accepted may attract a late entry fee of an extra \$30 per boat.

5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

5.1 The Australian Championships will consist of Nine (9) races scheduled over five (5) days of racing

5.2 The events are scheduled for:

Date	Day	Time	Event
3 rd January	Tuesday	0900 – 1130	Measurement and Registration
3 rd January	Tuesday	1200	Competitors Meeting
3 rd January	Tuesday	1400	Invitation Race warning signal
			Race 1 ASAP after Invitation Race
4 th January	Wednesday	1400	Race 2 warning signal
			Race 3 ASAP after race 2
5 th January	Thursday	1100	Race 4 warning signal
			Race 5 ASAP after race 4
6 th January	Friday	1400	Race 6 warning signal
			Race 7 ASAP after race 6
7 th January	Saturday	1100	Race 8 warning signal
			Race 9 ASAP after race 8
		1830	Presentation

5.3 The Race Committee may alter the schedule and number of races sailed at any time but will only advance the Championship by not more than one (1) race per day

5.4 No warning signal will be made after 1500hrs on Saturday 7th January.

6 REGISTRATION AND MEASUREMENT

6.1. Eligible boats shall register with the Organising Authority at the WASC by 1100 hrs on 3rd January 2017.

6.2. Each boat must hold a valid measurement "A" class certificate. In addition the measurer may check any items deemed necessary.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

7.1 Sailing Instructions will be available on the NESA website no later than Monday prior to the first scheduled race or upon registration at the WASC.

8 RACING AREA

8.1 The races will be conducted on the waters of Lake Macquarie in the vicinity of WASC.

9 COURSES

9.1 Race courses will be a triangle plus Windward/Leeward configuration all as described in the Sailing Instructions.

10 SCORING

- 10.1 The low points score system as described in appendix A, A4.1 RRS 2013 -2016
- 10.2 Ten (10) races are scheduled. The first race will be the Invitation Race and the remaining nine (9) will be part of the Championship competition of which a minimum of five (5) completed races are required to constitute the Championship series.
- 10.3 Each boat's score for the Championship will be the total of her race scores with the following discards applied depending on the number of races completed. If only 5 races are completed there shall be no discards. If 6 or 7 races are completed there shall be one discard. If 8 or more races are completed there shall be 2 discards.
- 10.4 The Invitation Race will not count toward the championship score.
- 10.5 The first three races sailed (including the Invitation Race) will count toward the Invitation Race Trophy and will also be used to allocate boats to Divisions A, B and C

11 PROTEST COMMITTEE

- 11.1 The Championship shall have a Protest committee which will be appointed by the Organising Authority

12 SUPPORT BOATS

- 12.1. Team leaders, coaches, other support personnel and support boats shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the warning signal until all boats have finished or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. Specific coach and support boat instructions will be stated in the Sailing Instructions.
- 12.2. Support boats must be registered with the Organising Authority and shall be marked with identifying flags issued by the Organising Authority.

13 ENTRY DISCLAIMER

- 13.1. It is each competitor's decision to enter the regatta or to start and continue in any race. Competitor's attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4 which states "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue is hers alone."
- 13.2 Competitors shall accept that their participation in the regatta is at their exclusive risk in every respect. By way of entry in the regatta, competitors shall indemnify the Organisers including Wangi RSL Amateur Sailing Club, 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 boat and the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.
- 13.3 The National E Sailing Association and / or Wangi RSL Amateur Sailing Club reserve the right to refuse an entry.

14 INSURANCE

14.1. All yachts competing in the Regatta are required to carry current Third Party Personal and Property Liability Insurance cover of a minimum recommended \$10,000,000 for any one accident.

14.2. All owners/competitors who sign the Entry Form are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover. Competitors may be asked to produce evidence of such insurance at registration.

14.3. Each Skipper and/or co-skipper is liable for any third party property and personal injury claims.

15 PRIZES

15.1 Trophies will include:

Championship

1st Stephen Dearnly trophy for the skipper and Mike Sherlock trophy for crew, plus personal trophies for skipper and crew

2nd Personal trophies for skipper and crew

3rd Personal trophies for skipper and crew.

Division "B" Stephen Cole Memorial trophy for skipper, plus personal trophies for skipper and crew

Division "C" Wally Tonkin Memorial trophy for skipper, plus personal trophies for skipper and crew

National E Junior Trophy –awarded to the highest placed skipper under the age of 20 or if there is no qualifying skipper to the highest placed crew under the age of 20.

Invitation Race – awarded to winning skipper and crew (of first race sailed).

Masters Title - Wayne Scott Memorial trophy – awarded to first placed boat with total age of skipper and crew between 85 and 120 years.

Grandmasters Title –Wise Family trophy for first placed boat with total age over of skipper and crew 120 years or more.

15.2 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

16 SUPPORT BOAT BERTHS AND TRAILER PARKING

16.1 The WASC will provide a rigging and storage area without charge to all competitors and support boats.

16.2 Trailers and trolleys maybe stored in the vicinity in the clubhouse

17 SOCIAL EVENTS AND CATERING

On all days of the regatta the Club canteen will be open for lunch purchases at times to be advised but with some flexibility to fit in with race times.

A special Welcome Barbecue will be held at the clubhouse on Tuesday the first day of the regatta.

The Presentation Dinner will be held at either the WASC clubhouse or the adjacent RSL Club on Saturday, the last day of the regatta.

18 ACCOMMODATION

The WASC is located next to the RSL Club at 269 Watkins Road, Wangi Wangi. Links to local accommodation are given on the club web site www.wangirslasc.yachting.org.au under the heading *regattas (drop down to accommodation)*.

About 2.5 km east is the Lakeside Holiday Park located at the end of Watkins Road on the waterfront at Wangi Point. This has a full range of camping options ranging from tent sites to cabins and caravans. Contact details: ph 02 4975 1889
email: wangi@lakemacholidayparks.com.au,

The Lake Macquarie Information Centre can also assist with hotel/motel, B & B and house rental bookings. The contact details are ph 1800 802 044 or 02 4921 0740, email: tourism@lakemac.nsw.gov.au, website: www.visitlakemac.com.au.

19 FURTHER INFORMATION

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Please enter the National E Class yacht.....Sail No
for the five day Championship event to be conducted at the Wangi RSL Amateur Sailing
Club from 3rd January 2017 to 7th January 2017.

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

.....(name of
insurer).

As owner, I and my crew hold current YA membership and are financial members of the
NESAs. The entered yacht is certified as Measurement Class "A". I understand that this
entry is valid only if the boat is insured for full racing risk during the period of this event.
This policy includes a minimum general liability cover of \$10,000,000. I agree to be
bound by the racing rules of the ISAF and by all other rules that govern the event. I
acknowledge that Rule 4 - Decision to Race, places the sole responsibility for deciding
to participate in a race or to continue racing as mine alone.

The helmsman during the event will be(please print).

I have enclosed the correct entry fee*.

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

Owner's name: YA membership number:

Address:.....

Phone:..... Mobile:.....
email:.....

Club:.....

Crew's name: YA membership number:

Information / description for yacht identification

Hull colour.....
Deck colour
Mainsail peak colour.....
Jib peak colour
Spinnaker colour / design (include sketch):

* Entry fee is \$390.00 if paid by 7 December 2016 or \$420 if paid later. Bank transfers may
be made to NESAs (NSW) CBA Liverpool Branch BSB 062 757 Account 28059657