

Australian Sharpie Sailing Association

78th Australian Championship
28 Dec 2021 – 3 Jan 2022



NOTICE OF RACE



Organising Authority

YMCA Sailing Club

in conjunction with

Australian Sharpie Sailing Association (NSW Division)

Venue: Lake Burley Griffin, ACT

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021-2024*.
- 1.2 Australian Sailing Prescriptions and Special Regulations Part 2-Off the Beach Boats will apply. It will be the responsibility of all competitors to ensure that personal flotation devices comply with a standard equivalent to those listed in Special Regulations 5.01 Personal Flotation Devices.
- 1.3 RRS 30.4 is changed by replacing “sail number” with “bow number”. The supplied bow number stickers are to be affixed to each side of the bow of each competing boat as prescribed in the sailing instructions.
- 1.4
 - (a) RRS 42.3(c) is changed in accordance with the Class Association By-Laws, Part B, Clause 20(1) to allow “On a free leg of the course when surfing (rapidly accelerating down the leeward side of a wave) or planing is possible, the boat’s crew may, in order to initiate surfing or planing, pump the sheet, boom or guy, controlling any sail a maximum of three (3) times for each wave or gust of wind.”
 - b) Devices which indicate remotely or transmit or correlate data about wind direction, wind speed, boat speed or location shall be prohibited in accordance with the Class Association By-Laws, Part B, Clause 20(2).
- 1.5 Changes to RRS penalties are detailed in Clause 10.
- 1.6 Any amendments to this Notice of Race will be posted on the event website prior to 1st December 2021.

2. Advertising

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority. If this rule is broken World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies. [DP]

3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the Australian Sharpie Class that comply with the Rules of the Class Association. Crews must be financial members of their State Division of the Australian Sharpie Sailing Association, and a yacht club affiliated with Australian Sailing.
- (a) A Junior boat is deemed to be one whose helmsperson is under twenty-one (21) years of age on 30th June 2021. Adequate proof of age shall be produced.
 - (b) A Golden Oldies boat is deemed to be one whose helmsperson is over forty (40) years of age on 30th of June 2021. Adequate proof of age shall be produced.
 - (c) An Erky Mitton Trophy contestant boat is deemed to be one whose helmsperson is over fifty (50) years of age on 30th of June 2021 and who has not been awarded any other perpetual trophy. Adequate proof of age shall be produced.
- 3.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry via the Topyacht website. A link to the Regatta Entry can be found on the competition website www.sharpies.com.au/2022nationals
- 3.3 Parents/Guardians of Competitors under 18 years of age shall acknowledge the Entry Declaration Form online at the time of entry.
- 3.4 A confirmation email and receipt will be sent to the nominated email address once an entry and payment has been made. The entry list will be displayed on the event website.

4. Fees

- 4.1 The Welcome Function is included for the three(3) crew members with the entry fee, additional tickets may be purchased at registration.
- 4.2 The entry fees for the regatta are:
- Senior boat: AUD \$325.00 entry fee (includes three(3) tickets to the Welcome function)= AUD \$325
- Junior boat: AUD \$75 entry fee (includes three(3) tickets to the Welcome function)= AUD \$75
- Late entry fee (after midnight the evening of Friday 3rd December 2021) will be an additional AUD \$50.00. This may also apply to junior entries.
- 4.3 Other fees for social functions will be advised at the regatta and on the event website.

5. Schedule

- 5.1 The skipper of each entered boat is required to register for the regatta at the YMCA Sailing Club during the registration and measuring day in paragraph 5.6 below.
- 5.2 There will be a competitor's meeting at the YMCA Sailing Club at 1100 hours on Wednesday 29th December 2021.
- 5.3 It is the intention to run up to 12 races in total for the regatta. The number of races per racing session will vary with the available conditions.
- 5.4 The first warning signal will take place within a time window. Competitors will be notified via SMS and email no later than 2000 hours on the day preceding a race session, advising the earliest possible time of first warning signal and the likely number of races to be attempted after that time. The earliest possible time of first warning will be displayed on the official notice board at the club from 0830 each day, and no redress will be granted for competitors who do not receive the SMS or Email time.

5.6 The proposed schedule is as follows:

Date	Time	Event
Tuesday 28 th Dec	0900 - 1630	Registration and Measurement
Wednesday 29 th Dec	1100	Competitors Meeting
	1255	2 Invitation Races
Thursday 30 th Dec	1355	Race Session
Friday 31 st Jan	1355	Race Session
Saturday 1 st Jan		Lay day
Sunday 2 nd Jan	1355	Race Session
Monday 3 rd Jan	1255	Race Session
	1900	Presentation

5.7 There will be no warning signal made after 1530 hrs on Monday 3rd January 2021.

6. Measurement and Equipment

- 6.1 All boats shall produce or verify the existence of a valid measurement certificate. Sails, spars, foils may be measured and hulls weighed.
- 6.2 The Technical Committee reserves the right to inspect any boat and equipment at any time during the regatta to ensure compliance with the Rules.

7. Sailing Instructions

- 7.1 The Sailing Instructions may be posted on the regatta website no later than seven days prior to the event, and will be available from the registration desk at the event.

8. Venue

- 8.1 The regatta location is YMCA Sailing Club, 35 Alexandrina Drive, Yarralumla, ACT.
- 8.2 Attachment A shows the location of the West Basin of Lake Burley Griffin racing area.

9. Courses

- 9.1 The courses will be a combination of Windward/Leeward and Triangle configurations as described in the Sailing Instructions.

10. Penalty System

- 10.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two - Turns Penalty is replaced by the One – Turn Penalty.
- 10.2 Appendix T, Arbitration may apply, except as changed by NOR 10.3.
- 10.3 T1 (b) 30% Scoring Penalty is changed to 20% Scoring Penalty.

11. Scoring

- 11.1 The Low Points Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 11.2 The regatta will consist of up to 12 races (not including the 2 invitation races) of which four (4) races must be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.3 (a) When six (6) or less races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from seven (7) to eight (8) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) When from nine (9) to ten (10) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst two (2) scores.
- (d) When from eleven (11) to twelve (12) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst three (3) scores

12. Media

- 12.1 In submitting the entry form, all competitors, parents, legal guardians and custodians provide their permission for all photographs, video, TV and sound recordings to be the property of the organisers and used for any purpose including public viewing and posting on the event website without compensation.
- 12.2 Event website: www.sharpies.com.au/2022nationals

13. Prizes

13.1. The following prizes will be awarded;

- The Addison Bros. Trophy to the winner of the Australian Championship
- The Geoff Augustine Trophy for the crew of the boat winning the Australian Championship
- The Alcorso Trophy to second place in the Australian Championship
- The Fred Meyer Trophy to third place in the Australian Championship
- The Phil Durham Trophy to fourth place in the Australian Championship
- The Golden Oldies Trophy to the helmsperson over 40 years of age with the best points score over all Championship races
- The Erky Mitton Trophy to the helmsperson over 50 years of age with the best points score over all Championship races (who has not won another major prize)
- The Tomlinson Trophy to the junior helmsperson (under 21 years of age) with the best points score over all Championship races
- The Westpac Trophy for consistency on handicap over all Championship races
- The Ray Callard Trophy to the winner on handicap in the first invitation race
- The Bretts Plywood Trophy to the winner on handicap in the second invitation race
- The Graham Keys Trophy to the first Female Skipper in the Australian Championship with the best points score over all Championship races
- The Red Hand Trophy to the country representative with the best points score over all Championship races
- The Bishops Team Trophy for the best team effort over all Championship races. The first five (5) boats to finish from each State team to score points towards the trophy. The points score system to be as for the Australian Championship
- The O'Grady Cup to the helmsperson of the team representative boat who achieves the best score over all races of the regatta. The results of the Invitation races shall, for this purpose, be computed as for the Australian Championship races
- The Don Shields Perpetual Trophy to the non-team representative in the Australian Championship with the best points score over all championship races
- The George Laurens Trophy to the non-team representative in the Australian Championship with the best points score over all championship races on handicap
- The Mark Peelgrane Memorial Trophy to the helmsperson who achieves the most wins over all championship races of the regatta, including the Invitation Races, with a tie being decided by a count back of other finishing positions.

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

14. Radio Communication

- 14.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.
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15. Insurance

- 15.1 All boats competing in the 78th Australian Sharpie Nationals 2021/22 shall be insured with third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD \$5,000,000 per incident.
- 15.2 All competitors who submit the Entry Form are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover.
- 15.3 Competitors may be required to provide details and evidence that they have such insurance in place at the time of entry.

16. Disclaimer

- 16.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

17. Further Information

- 17.1 For further information contact ASSA (NSW Division),
Michael Forster,
m: 0401 717 978
e: mjm@iinet.net.au
- 17.2 The social schedule will be provided to competitors at the event, or it can be accessed via the event website.
- 17.3 Tickets to the Presentation Function may be purchased through the event website until 28 December 2021. Remaining tickets (if any) will be available at registration.

ATTACHMENT A - Club and racing area location

