

# **MPASC**

# **Open Catamaran Regatta**

**23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> January 2016**

The MPASC Open Catamaran Regatta 2016 will be conducted on the waters of Southern Lake Macquarie on the 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> January 2016. Owners and charterers of eligible boats are invited to enter the regatta on the conditions of this Notice of Race. The races are organised and conducted by the Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club.

## **NOTICE OF RACE**

### **1. RULES**

- 1.1. The regatta shall be governed by the following;
  - 1.1.1. 2013/2016 Racing Rules of Sailing,
  - 1.1.2. The Prescriptions and Special regulations of Yachting Australia,
  - 1.1.3. The rules of relevant Class Associations (for competing classes) except as amended by the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, and
  - 1.1.4. The sailing instructions as amended from time to time
  - 1.1.5. Attention is drawn to Fundamental RRS4 – Decision to Race
  - 1.1.6. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

### **2. ADVERTISING**

- 2.1. This event is conducted under ISAF Regulation 20, Category C, however the Sailing Committee reserves the right to caution or disqualify any Boat that is in breach of this code and openly displays signage inappropriate or disrespectful toward the events primary Sponsor/s and/or Organising/Conducting Authority.
- 2.2. Any boat entering, displaying signage NOT relevant to the event must include a fee of \$50 to be made out to the Organising Authority. A declaration of signage is required to be submitted with the application for race entry.
- 2.3. The Sailing Committee reserves the right to waive the \$50 signage declaration fee.
- 2.4. A boat shall display the sponsor's bow decals (if supplied by the Organising Authority) at all times during the Regatta

### 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached entry form and sending it, together with the required fee.
  - 3.1.1 By post to the Regatta Registration Officer, Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club, PO Box 7196, NSW 2259 or
  - 3.1.2 By email to [regattas@manneringsparkasc.org.au](mailto:regattas@manneringsparkasc.org.au) including the receipt number issued when making payment by EFT into Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club's Bank Account or payment using PayPal (the link may be found on the Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club website [www.manneringsparkasc.org.au](http://www.manneringsparkasc.org.au) or
  - 3.1.3 In Person at the registration desk at the Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club on Saturday the 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2016 between 900 & 1000.
- 3.2. Entries will be taken for three Catamaran divisions.
  - 3.2.1. Division 1 – Boats 4.9 meters in length or greater with a VYC yardstick 72 or less.
  - 3.2.2. Division 2 – Boats 4.9 meters in length or greater with a VYC yardstick greater than 72.
  - 3.2.3. Division 3 - Boats under 4.9 meters in length.
  - 3.2.4. The Organising Authority reserves the right to alter the Division specification or combine Divisions if less than 10 boats within Division.
- 3.3. Entry Fees are;
  - 3.3.1. One man boat - \$50
  - 3.3.2. Two Man boat - \$60
- 3.4 The Organising Authority reserves the right to refuse any entry.

### 4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1. Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2016.
  - 4.1.1. 0900 until 1000 – Registration.
  - 4.1.2. 1030 – Competitor Meeting.
  - 4.1.3. Race 1 Warning Signal not before 1055.
  - 4.1.4. Subsequent race Warning Signals may be made as soon as possible after the completion of previous race/s or expiry of the previous race/s time limit.
  - 4.1.5. No Warning Signal will be made after 1630.
  - 4.1.6. 1800 - Welcome function with meals available at reasonable prices for all competitors, friends & families.
- 4.2. Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2016.
  - 4.2.1. BBQ Breakfast will be available from 0830.
  - 4.2.2. Warning Signal not before 0955.

- 4.2.3. Subsequent race Warning Signals may be made as soon as possible after the completion of previous race/s or expiry of the previous race/s time limit.
- 4.2.4. No Warning Signal will be made after 1500.
- 4.2.5. Presentation of prizes will take place as soon as possible after completion of the last race

## **5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 5.1. Sailing instructions will be available at the Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club registration desk on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2016.

## **6. COURSES**

- 6.1. Races will be conducted on the southern end of Lake Macquarie in the vicinity of Mannering Park.
- 6.2. Course diagrams will be available with the sailing instructions.

## **7. PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 7.1. Rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one complete turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.

## **8. SCORING**

- 8.1. The VYC yardstick handicap system will be used for division 1 & 2. If a VYC Yardstick is unavailable the Koonawarra Handicap Rating will be used.
- 8.2. The Koonawarra Handicap rating will be used for division 3; if a Koonawarra handicap rating is unavailable the VYC yardstick handicap will be used.
- 8.3. If both a VYC Yardstick and Koonawarra Handicap Rating are unavailable for a boat entering the regatta, the Organizing Authority will determine the handicap.
- 8.4. Final allocation of yardstick rests with the Organising Authority.
- 8.5. The low point scoring system of Appendix A of RACING RULES will apply.
- 8.6. A minimum of 3 races is required to be completed to constitute a series.
  - 8.6.1. When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores.
  - 8.6.2. When 5 or more races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **9. PRIZES**

- 9.1. Prizes will be given to the first three boats in each division.
- 9.2. Additional prizes may be given at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

## **10. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 10.1. All those taking part in the MPASC Open Catamaran Regatta 2016 do so at

their own risk and responsibility. The Organising Authority, the Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club and any other organisation connected with the event, their officials, employees, agents and any sponsors, disclaim any and every responsibility for any loss, damage, injury, death or inconvenience that may occur to persons or things, both ashore and on the water, as a consequence of their participation in any way in the race.

- 10.2. Specific 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 racing is hers alone.

## **11. INSURANCE**

- 11.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party property liability insurance with a minimum policy cover of \$5 million for any one incident over the period of the Regatta, event or equivalent.
- 11.2. Signing the entry form indicates that the skipper has acknowledged that the boat is insured as per this requirement.

## **12. GENERAL INFORMATION**

- 12.1. Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club is located at the end of Grace Street, Mannering Park on the eastern side of Vales Point Peninsula. The rigging area is east of the club. Mannering Park has general shops to purchase groceries, fuel & other items. During the regatta meals, light snack and refreshments will be available from the club canteen.

## Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club 2016 MPASC Open Catamaran Regatta Entry Form

**Boat**

Type \_\_\_\_\_ Rigged: \_\_\_\_\_

Sail No: \_\_\_\_\_

VYC or Koonawarra  
Yardstick

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Bow Sticker  
Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Division

**Skipper**

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

Club: \_\_\_\_\_

First name: \_\_\_\_\_

Sail Color (From Top)

Email \_\_\_\_\_@\_\_\_\_\_

Owners Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Hull / Deck (Color)

**Crew Details**

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

First name: \_\_\_\_\_

Club: \_\_\_\_\_

**Entry Declaration:**

I agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of the International Sailing Federation and all other rules that govern the event. I acknowledge that Rule 4 (Decision of Race) places me solely responsible for deciding whether or not to start or to continue racing. I further acknowledge and agree that in consideration of the MPASC Open Cat Regatta Notice of race, Clause 10 (Disclaimer) that my participation is entirely at my own risk. I acknowledge that I have insurance cover of a level sufficient to cover my racing activities.

**Competitor's Full Name:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print)

**Entry Fee**Single Handed      **\$60.00**Two Handed        **\$80.00**Junior single handed **\$15**Junior double handed **\$25**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Return To:**

Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club  
PO Box 7196  
Mannering Park NSW 2259

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Payment Methods;**

Direct To Bank – Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club Inc  
BSB: 062 832 ACC: 10225462 . Provide name on  
payment details.

Please ensure receipt number is listed if  
payment made by electronic means

Rec No: \_\_\_\_\_