



AUSTRALIAN SPORTS BOAT NATIONAL TITLES

Friday 19th – Monday 22th February 2021

NOTICE OF RACE

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Darling Point Sailing Squadron

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The Darling Point Sailing Squadron Brisbane as the organizing authority, in conjunction with the Australian Sports Boat Association (ASBA) invites entries from eligible yachts in the Australian Sports Boat National Titles to be held on the waters of Waterloo Bay QLD on 19th, 20th, 21st and 22nd, of February 2021.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2. Other rules that will apply to all boats are as follows:
 - 1.2.1. The Australian Sports Boat Association Constitution available at www.asba.org.au
 - 1.2.2. The Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing, Part 1, Category 6.
 - 1.2.3. Rule 49.1 of RRS shall not apply to Melges 24 and Magic 25 Sports Boats if racing in compliance with their respective class rules and it is noted on the Sports Boats SMS Certificate that the racing incorporates hiking devices.
 - 1.2.4. The ASBA Constitution requires that boats must carry an operable motor of at least 3hp.
 - 1.2.5. Outboards must be permanently mounted in ready to operate position.
 - 1.2.6. ASBA Constitution section 4.1.13 shall not apply to Elliott 7's if racing in full compliance with their respective class rules.
 - 1.2.7. Competitors must wear buoyancy vest/aids to Australian Sailing Standard while racing.
- 1.3. RRS 50.2 and 50.3 will be amended so that fixed and retractable spinnaker poles and bowsprits will be permitted for the purpose of setting asymmetrical spinnakers.
- 1.4. The Darling Point Sailing Squadron or ASBA may amend any detail of this Notice of Race and amendments will be published on the ASBA web site: www.asba.com.au and ASBA Facebook page: www.facebook.com/sportsboatsaus
- 1.5. Any boat or skipper that has not paid the nomination fees or ASBA membership fees or has no proof of payment by the 1st race will score a DNC (which will not be exonerated) in each race until payment or proof of payment is received by the ASBA.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority or ASBA.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta is open to all boats that meet the requirements of the Australian Sports Boat Association which includes Sports Boats with a minimum SMS rating of 0.755 and a current SMS rating certificate or an exemption granted by the ASBA committee
- 3.2. Entries can be made online via the ASBA web site: www.asba.org.au
- 3.3. Late entries may be accepted with an additional fee.

4. FEES

- 4.1. All boats: \$375 for early entries submitted before 5pm, February 5th, 2021
- 4.2. All boats: \$425 for entries received after 5pm, February 5th, 2021.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1. Racing will be a series of up to 12 races conducted over 4 days; Friday, 19th to Monday, 22nd February, 2021.
- 5.2. Race days will consist of up to Four (4) Windward / Leewards races, or combined Windward / Leewards races plus One (1) Short Passage Race, or One (1) Long Passage Race. The first warning signal for Friday 19th is scheduled for approx. 1200 hours.
- 5.3. No race will be started after 1500 hours on the last day of the regatta.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available on the ASBA website: www.asba.org.au by 1800 hours on Monday 15th of February 2021.

7. VENUE

- 7.1. The host club is Darling Point Sailing Squadron Brisbane QLD. www.dpss.org.au
- 7.2. Racing will be conducted on the waters of Waterloo Bay QLD.

8. THE COURSES

- 8.1. The courses to be sailed will be windward/ leeward returns races and passage style races and will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

9. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1. The scoring penalty, rule 44.3, will not apply.
- 9.2. The Two-Turns Penalty is changed to a One-Turns Penalty in all races. Except the two turns penalty will apply within the zone of a rounding mark (amends RRS 44.1 and 44.2).

10. SCORING

- 10.1. The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply.
- 10.2. Four (4) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

- 10.3. When from Four (4) to Six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 10.4. When Six (6) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst race.

11. BERTHING

- 11.1. Dry berthing is available at the DPSS rigging area, the adjacent boat ramp near DPSS or wet berthing in the adjacent marina for the duration of the regatta.

12. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 12.1. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

13. PRIZES AND DIVISIONS

- 13.1. Prizes will be given as follows:

13.1.1. 1st, 2nd and 3rd on SMS.

13.1.2. 1st, 2nd and 3rd on ASBA LTP Handicap.

13.1.3. Other categories, divisions and prizes may be determined by the organizing authority.

13.1.4. Prizes will be awarded as soon as possible after racing on Monday 22nd at the DPSS clubhouse.

14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 14.1. Competitors participate in the Regatta entirely at their own risk and responsibility.
- 14.2. By lodging an entry, participants agree that they will release, hold harmless and indemnify ASBA and the DPSS and their officials from all liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.
- 14.3. The entrant shall provide each crew member with a copy of these conditions of entry.
- 14.4. Attention is drawn to Australian Sailing Fundamental Rules 3, Acceptance of the Rules and 4, Decision to Race.

15. INSURANCE

- 15.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10M per incident or the equivalent.

16. PRESENTATION

- 16.1. The Darling Point Sailing Squadron invites competitors, their family and friends to a presentation of trophies to be held at the DPSS clubhouse on Monday, 22nd February, 2021, immediately following completion of racing.

17. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 17.1. For further information please contact ASBA at info@asba.org.au