



# PRELIMINARY NOTICE OF RACE

# **WINDSURFER**

43<sup>rd</sup> AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

January 23<sup>rd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> 2020

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## Organising Authority and Location of Race

Brighton & Seacliff Yacht Club Ltd. (BSYC),

246 Esplanade, Seacliff, South Australia 5049

in conjunction with the Windsurfing South Australia and the Australian Windsurfing Association.

## Rules

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (2017 – 2020) - Windsurfing Competition Rules and the Windsurfer Class rules, except where these are changed by the Notice of Race (NOR) or by the Sailing Instructions (SIs).

If there is conflict between the NOR and the SIs, the SIs will take precedence.

## Eligibility

Windsurfer Class boards including Windsurfer LT, Windsurfer One Design and Original Windsurfers using class supplied and approved equipment.

All competitors shall:

1. Be paid up members of the Windsurfer Class Association of Australia (WCAA) for the 2019/20 membership year.

You can check if you are a current member of the WCAA [here](#)

You can join the WCAA here including taking the required insurance as detailed below [here](#)

2. Have current Australian Windsurfing Association (AWA) 3<sup>rd</sup> party liability insurance either through WCAA membership with insurance or membership of Windsurfing South Australia (WSA) or another affiliated Australian Windsurfing Association (AWA) state or club-based organisation.

You can check the AWA register [here](#)

3. Have a unique sail number, displayed in accordance with the Windsurfer Class Rules.

## Entry Fee & Registration

Competitors will pay the prescribed entry fees as detailed below.

The event entry fee includes racing, event merchandise, 2x social events and presentation.

A late entry fee of \$50 will be added to entries received after December 1, 2019.

No entries will be accepted after January 10, 2020.

| Competitor Entry Fees (\$AUD)   |     |
|---|-----|
| <b>Category A</b> - Adult over 21 years of age  | 190 |
| <b>Category B</b> - Adult who is sailing in their first WCAA Australian Championships<br>OR has not competed in the WCAA Australian Championships since 2010<br>OR a full-time student<br>OR between the age of 18 years – 21 years | 160 |
| <b>Category C</b> - Under 18 years  | 130 |
| <b>Category D</b> - Family entry (any number of competitors from the same family)   | 295 |
| Late Entry Fee (Enter after 1 December, 2019)   | +50 |

| <b>Nationals Supporter's Package (\$AUD)</b>  |    |
|---|----|
| Includes event merchandise and ticket to the Welcome function and Australia Day party<br>Available for windsurfers who are not competing, friends, families and other supporters. | 80 |
| No fee to attend the Award Presentations.   |    |

Entries are available online – [click here](#) or copy url below:

<https://theclubspot.com/regatta/uGjqsKWUWf>

## Charter Boards

A limited number of charter boards may be available.

For more information contact: [wwindgen@bigpond.net.au](mailto:wwindgen@bigpond.net.au)

## Registration

All competitors shall complete registration with the Organising Authority.

Registration will occur at BSYC between 1500 and 1800hrs on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January and between 0830 and 1000hrs on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2020.

At Registration:

- o All competitors will have to sign an Entry Form which includes the Entry Declaration and Disclaimer of Liability;
- o All competitors will have their Third Party Liability (TPL) Insurance status checked;
- o Competitors under 18 years of age must have an 'Emergency Contact Form' and 'Media Consent Form', completed by their parent/guardian;
- o Male competitors will have their weight recorded;
- o Proof of age of a competitor may be checked, if required by the Organising Authority

## Schedule

| Day/Date                  | Event   | Time           | Location      |
|---------------------------|---|----------------|---------------|
| Wednesday 22/1/2020       | Registration  | 1500 – 1800hrs | BSYC          |
|                           | Social - Meet & Greet social<br>(low key – pay as you go) | Afternoon      | BSYC          |
|                           | Overnight board storage                                   |                | BSYC          |
| <b>Thursday 23/1/2020</b> |   |                |               |
|                           | Registration  | 0830 – 1000hrs | BSYC          |
|                           | Briefing  | 1030hrs        |               |
|                           | Racing Session 1 - Warning Signal not before              | 1100hrs        |               |
|                           | Racing Session 2  | PM             |               |
|                           | Social - Welcome Night (included)                         | 1830hrs        | To be advised |
|                           | Overnight board storage                                   |                | BSYC          |
| <b>Friday 24/1/2020</b>   |   |                |               |
|                           | Briefing  | 0930hrs        | BSYC          |
|                           | Racing Session 1 - Warning Signal not before              | 1000hrs        |               |
|                           | Racing Session 2  | PM             |               |
|                           | Social – TBC (pay as you go)                              | PM             | BSYC          |
|                           | Overnight board storage                                   |                | BSYC          |
| <b>Saturday 25/1/2020</b> |   |                |               |
|                           | Briefing  | 0930hrs        | BSYC          |
|                           | Racing Session 1 - Warning Signal not before              | 1000hrs        |               |
|                           | Racing Session 2  | PM             |               |
|                           | Social - Australia Day Party (included)                   | 1830hrs        | To be advised |
|                           | Overnight board storage                                   |                | BSYC          |
| <b>Sunday 26/1/2020</b>   |   |                |               |
|                           | Briefing  | 0930hrs        | BSYC          |
|                           | Racing Session 1 - Warning Signal not before              | 1000hrs        |               |
|                           | Racing Session 2 - No warning signal after                | 1500hrs        |               |
|                           | Presentation ASAP after last race                         |                | BSYC          |
|                           | Event Close   |                |               |

The event will be run on an 'on call' basis.

Competitors will be briefed before each race session as to what discipline will be run.

Decisions will be made by the Organising Authority based on conditions, safety and requirements to complete each of the four competition disciplines.

## Competition Disciplines

Competition will be conducted in the disciplines of Course Racing, Marathon, Slalom and Freestyle.

Target competition program is a minimum seven (7) Course Races, one (1) Marathon, one (1) complete round of Slalom and one (1) Freestyle event.

Overall scoring will be in accordance with Class Competition Rules and include Course, Marathon and Slalom.

## Competition Divisions

Racing will be conducted for **Open** and **Cruiser** divisions.

Cruiser division is for first time / returning racers, novices and more relaxed racers and will sail a shorter course.

For Open divisions, the following gender, weight and age divisions will be scored:

### Women

**Men** – Light / Medium / Heavy

(subject to numbers a Super Heavy division may be added at the discretion of the Organising Authority)

Weight Divisions will be allocated by one of the two following methods as per Class Rules:

#### 1. Fixed Weights:

| Category       | Division           | Weight (kilograms)     |
|----------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| A              | Light Weight       | Less than 75 kilograms |
| B              | Medium Weight      | 75 – 84.9 kilograms    |
| C              | Heavy Weight       | 85 – 94.9 kilograms    |
| (optionally) D | Super Heavy Weight | 95 kilograms or more   |

#### 2. Split Weights:

- (i) Competitors will be divided into up to 4 categories of weight (A-D) of equal numbers, including Youth and Juniors.
- (ii) After the weighing procedure, in case the total number cannot be divided by four, the first category with one competitor more will be determined upon a random draw. In case two competitors have the same weight, the younger competitor will be considered the lighter.
- (iii) Before the start of the first race, a second weighing procedure may be called for the athletes close to the limits of the categories, in order to recheck the correct registered weight.
- (iv) Where there is a significant difference between cut-off weights and competitors weights that are close to the limits between divisions, the Race Committee may, in its absolute discretion, increase or decrease the number of competitors in a division to promote closer and fairer racing.

#### Weighing Procedure

- (i) Weighing of competitors will be conducted during the event registration period on the official scales provided by the Organising Authority.
- (ii) Competitors will weigh in T-shirt and shorts only (no footwear) – with all pockets emptied.
- (iii) Competitors may be re-weighed at any time during an event at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- (iv) If subsequent weighing of a competitor indicates a variation of more than 2 kilograms from the original weight that would cause a competitor to change weight division the Organising Authority will assess the circumstances and have the option to change the competitors' division.

## Age

| Age Division | Age  |
|--------------|--|
| Junior       | Under 15 years on the 1 <sup>st</sup> racing day of the Event        |
| Youth        | Between 15 – 18 years on the 1 <sup>st</sup> racing day of the Event |
| Master       | 40 years or older on the 1 <sup>st</sup> racing day of the Event     |
| Grand Master | 50 years or older on the 1 <sup>st</sup> racing day of the Event     |
| Legend       | 60 years or older on the 1 <sup>st</sup> racing day of the Event     |

## Equipment

It is the responsibility of each competitor to ensure that their equipment conforms to the current Class Rules.

You can download the Class Rules [here](#)

Equipment inspection may be undertaken at any time during the Event by the Organising Authority to ensure compliance with Class Rules.

Those in Cruiser division may use sails of less than 5.7 metres of any make or model.

## Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions (SIs) including course format and racing procedure will be available online no-later than 3 days prior to the event.

Further instructions may be provided verbally at Briefings and also by Notices to Competitors.

The SIs and Notices to Competitors will be available on the Official Notice Board at BSYC.

## Scoring

For course racing and marathon the Low Point System RRS Appendix A4 will apply.

Three (3) course races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

When fewer than 5 course races have been completed a board's series score will be the total of her race scores.

When from 5 to 8 course races have been completed, a board's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score ("one drop").

When 9 or more course races have been completed, a board's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores ("two drops").

Slalom and Freestyle scoring will be as per Class Competition Rules.

Overall scoring will be as per Class Competition Rules

## Penalties

Rule 44.1 is altered so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in rule 70.5.

## Buoyancy

All competitors shall wear whilst racing in course racing, slalom and marathon personal flotation devices which are in good condition and are in accordance with the specifications approved by the National Authority at or above the minimum level required (ie L50/ level 50) or as approved by the Organising Authority (changes rules 27.1 and 40.1.) Attention is drawn to rule 1.2.

## Trophies and Prizes

Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the Windsurfer Class Association.

## Responsibility

**Attention is drawn to Fundamental Rule 4 - Decision to Race, which states "The responsibility for a board's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".**

It is the competitor's sole decision to enter this event and to start and or to continue to compete. By way of entering, competitors acknowledge and agree that participation in this event can be dangerous and accept that their participation is at their exclusive risk in every respect. In addition, by way of entering competitors shall hold harmless the organising authority, its officers, members, servants and agents and all other competitors in respect of all liability for injury to their person and or loss or damage to their property howsoever arising from their participation or intended participation in this event and acknowledge and accept that the organising authority, its officers, members, servants, agents and other competitors accept no responsibility in respect to loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of a competitor's participation or intended participation in this event or arising for whatever reason in connection with this event.

Competitors will sign a disclaimer of liability at registration.

## Advertising

Competitors may be obliged by the Organising Authority to display advertising of sponsors on sails and/or other equipment and/or on their persons in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20.

## Media Rights

Competitors give full rights and permission to the Organising Authority and / or Windsurfer Class Association of Australia for use and broadcasting of photographs or videos of persons or boards competing in the event including, but not limited to, spots on television, online mediums and social media and can be used for editorial purpose, promotion or printed information.

Competitors under 18 years of age may opt out when completing the disclaimer of liability at registration.

## Additional Information

Updates will be provided via any of the following methods – email, social media or website.

Windsurfer Class website: [www.windsurferclassaus.com](http://www.windsurferclassaus.com)

Windsurfer Class Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/windsurferclassaus>

For specific questions about BSYC and local issues:

Tim Lelliott [tim.elliott@gmail.com](mailto:tim.elliott@gmail.com) 0451 815 606

For general event information, entry queries, membership and class matters: [windsurfer.regatta.team@gmail.com](mailto:windsurfer.regatta.team@gmail.com)

## Accommodation

There is a variety of accommodation in the area (within 10 minutes' drive from the venue) including hotels, motels and Air B'n'B.

Brighton is a popular summer holiday location and being Australia Day weekend accommodation will become limited as the event comes closer.

**We strongly recommend that you action accommodation now to avoid preferred options booking out and higher costs for later bookings.**

**Brighton Caravan Park** - <https://www.brightoncaravanpark.com.au/> Phone: 08 8377 0833

Located on the waterfront adjacent to the Sailing Club, this is a prime spot that offers a range of camping and cabin options. We are advised that these become booked out very quickly so if you want these do it now.

**Esplanade Hotel** - <https://www.esplanadehotel.com.au/> Phone: 08 8296 7177

Simple rooms in a casual venue overlooking the beach, plus a bistro, a sports bar and a low-key cafe. About 5 minute drive to Club.

**Brighton Beach House** - <https://www.booking.com/hotel/au/brighton-beach-house.en-gb.html>

B&B right on the Esplanade about 5 minutes' drive to the Club. Got great reviews online.

There are lots of **Air B'n'B** options as well - <https://www.airbnb.com.au/s/Brighton--South-Australia>

A variety of more upmarket options are available in Glenelg - about 12-15-minute drive to the Club. Here's one - Google around for more

**Oaks Plaza Pier @ Glenelg** - <https://www.oakshotels.com/en/oaks-plaza-pier> Phone: 13 62 57