

2014 notice of race

The Whitsunday Sailing Club Ltd., as the organising authority invites entries for the 2014 Easter Off-Beach Regatta on the waters of Pioneer Bay off Airlie Beach, Queensland from Friday the 18th of April until Sunday the 20th of April, 2014.

1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. Green Fleet will be governed by ISAF Introductory Rules for Sailing.
- 1.3. The YA Special Regulations Part 2 will apply.

2. Advertising

The regatta is designated a Category A event in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20, Advertising Code.

3. Eligibility And Entry

The regatta is open to all classes of offbeach racing dinghies and catamarans.

All sailors must be a current member of a YA recognised Yacht/Sailing Club.

Entries are encouraged to be made online via the official Easter Regatta website at www.easterregatta.com.au. Entry fees are to be paid at the regatta office by 1200hrs on the 18th of April, 2014.

4. Fees

- 4.1. Required fees are as follows:

Senior Sailors (each)	AUS \$30.00
Junior Sailors (each)	AUS \$15.00
Green Fleet (each)	Aus \$15.00

- 4.2. Entries

Competitors will register at the regatta office on Friday morning 18th April, 2014. Payment may be made by cash or Eftpos only.



5. Schedule Of Events

5.1. Registration, Measurement and Boat Inspection: Friday 18th April, 2014 between 1000 and 1200hrs.

5.2. Dates of racing:

Event	Day	Date	Warning Signal
Invitational Race Session	Friday	18th April 2014	14:00
Race Session 1	Saturday	19th April 2014	10:00
Race Session 2	Saturday	19th April 2014	14:30
Race Session 3	Sunday	20th April 2014	10:00
Race Session 4	Sunday	20th April 2014	13:00

5.3. The warning signal shown above is for the first race in each session.

5.4. There will be a maximum of four races per day.

5.5. There shall be no warning signal after 1530 hours on the last day of racing.

6. Measurements

6.1. Measurement and crew weigh-in will be in accordance with the Class Rules.

6.2. Boats may be inspected for safety equipment and measurement compliance at any time during the regatta.

6.3. Random measurement and compliance checks will be made throughout the series at the discretion of the Race committee.

7. Sailing Instructions

7.1. Printed copies of the sailing instructions will be available at registration and on the internet at www.easterregatta.com.au 48 hours prior to the first race.

8. Venue

8.1. The regatta will be conducted by the Whitsunday Sailing Club Ltd. on the waters of Pioneer Bay off Airlie Beach, Queensland

9. The Courses

9.1. The courses to be sailed shall consist of triangular or windward-return courses as described in the Sailing Instructions.

10. Penalty System

10.1. Rules 44.1 and 44.2 shall apply.

11. Scoring

11.1. The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.

11.2. 8 races (up to 4 per day) are scheduled and 5 are required to be completed to constitute a series.

11.3. When 5 to 7 races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. When more than 7 races are completed, her two worst scores are excluded.

12. Support Boats

- 12.1. Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay at least 200 metres outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first division to start until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 12.2. Support boats shall be marked by displaying code flag "O" of a minimum size of 400 by 500mm, conspicuously at all times.
- 12.3. Support boats shall not signal to competitors by any means during the race.

13. Radio Communication

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

14. Prizes

Mixed Fleet:	VYC Yardstick 1st, 2nd, 3rd
Single Class :	Line Honours 1st, 2nd, 3rd
Junior Classes :	VYC Yardstick, 1st, 2nd, 3rd
Green Fleet	Prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd.

* Other prizes may be allocated at the discretion of the Race Committee.

15. Disclaimer Of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, 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.

16. Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of not less than AUD \$5,000,000 (recommended AUD \$10,000,000).

Each boat competing will be required to produce proof of insurance consisting of the insurer's name and the policy number of the boat's insurance policy. Sailors chartering boats from the Whitsunday Sailing Club will not need to provide insurance details.

17. Further Information

For further information please contact:

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