



# LAKE MACQUARIE O'PEN SKIFF & LASER DOLPHIN CHASER REGATTA

NOVEMBER 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> 2022

HOSTED BY

## MANNERING PARK AMATEUR SAILING CLUB

The organising Authority is the Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club Inc.  
Owners and charterers of eligible boats are invited to enter the regatta on the conditions of this Notice of Race.

### NOTICE OF RACE

#### 1. ABOUT THE REGATTA

- 1.1 On the weekend of 5th and 6th November Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club will be conducting the 2022 Lake Macquarie O'pen SKIFF & LASER Dolphin Chaser Regatta. Sailors of all skill levels are invited to attend in what will be a unique event consisting of both games and competition with the emphasis on our motto **"Sailing for fun"**.
- 1.2 Saturday will have some short combined races for the Open Skiff to split the fleet into their respective gold and silver groupings. The Lasers will start their fleet racing while the Open Skiffs are doing their invitation race. Weather permitting we will have an adventure race for the more experienced sailors, followed by division fleet racing and off the beach sailing for the Green fleet.
- 1.3 Saturday evening the club will host a free BBQ for the juniors with reasonably priced BBQ food and drinks for the adults.
- 1.4 Sunday will see the running of the Dolphin Chaser race followed by competitive racing for the Gold and Silver Open Skiff and Laser fleets and off the beach sailing and games for the Green fleet.



## **2. RULES**

### **2.1 GOLD FLEET**

- 2.1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 and the O'pen SKIFF and LASER Class Rules.
- 2.1.2 RRS Appendix P, Immediate Penalties for breaking Rule 42, will apply but in accordance with limitations provide by 2014 Class Rules.
- 2.1.3 The Australian Sailing Regulations Part 2 (for off the beach boats) shall apply.

### **2.2 SILVER FLEET**

- 2.2.1 The regatta will be governed as defined in World Sailing Introductory Rules for Racing. Refer to (Attachment 1).
- 2.2.2 RRS Appendix P, Immediate Penalties for breaking Rule 42, will apply but in accordance with limitations provide by 2014 Class Rules.

## **3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all competitors under 18 as of 5<sup>th</sup> November 2022 sailing an O'pen SKIFF or LASER Class boat and entry may be made by completing the entry form attached (Attachment 2). Competitors under 18 must have a parental consent.
- 3.2 Sailors competing in the Open Skiff Gold, Silver and Laser Divisions should be members of Australian Sailing
- 3.3 Entries may be made by completing the online entry form at <http://www.manneringparkasc.org.au/temp/documents.php> or emailing the entry form to [regattas@manneringparkasc.org.au](mailto:regattas@manneringparkasc.org.au) including receipt number when paying by EFT.
- 3.4 Entries may be made in person at the registration desk at Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club from 0800-1000 on the 5<sup>th</sup> November 2022
- 3.5 Entry fee - \$50 which includes the Saturday evening BBQ for competitors
- 3.6 Charter fee – BIC Australia will have boats for charter at a cost of \$100 for the regatta
- 3.7 The regatta will be governed by all NSW Government Health Orders relating to Covid 19 that are in force at the time of the regatta. Details of all Health Order requirements will be posted as soon as these have been announced by the Government.
- 3.8 All competitors and accompanying family must abide by the Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club COVID Safety Plan.

#### 4. SCHEDULE

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| Saturday<br>5 <sup>th</sup> Nov. | 0800<br>1000<br>1100<br><br>1200<br>1300<br>1500<br>1730 - 1930 | Registrations Open<br>Briefing and get to know fellow competitors<br>Open Skiff Gold & Silver Fleet combined racing<br>Laser 4.7 and Radial fleet racing<br>Green Fleet off the beach sailing<br>Lunch<br>Adventure race<br>Fleet racing Day 1<br>Competitors, family and friends BBQ (competitors free)<br>The bar will be open for welcome drinks and nibbles for all competitors, families and friends. |
| Sunday<br>6 <sup>th</sup> Nov.   | 0800 – 0930<br>1000<br>1030<br>1130<br>ASAP after racing        | Breakfast BBQ at the Clubhouse:<br>Briefing<br>Dolphin Chaser Race<br>Fleet racing day 2<br>Presentation   |

No warning signal will be made after 1500 on the 6<sup>th</sup> November

#### 5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 The sailing instructions will be available for download from the Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Clubs website [www.manneringparkasc.org.au](http://www.manneringparkasc.org.au) or at the registration desk on 5<sup>th</sup> November 2022

#### 6. VENUE

- 6.1 Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club is located on the southern shores of Lake Macquarie at 27 Grace Street Mannering Park

#### 7. THE COURSES

- 7.1 The format and course configurations to be sailed will be outlined in the Sailing Instructions and at the daily briefings during the regatta.

#### 8. SCORING

- 8.1 The Low Point Scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply to the gold and silver division and Laser fleet races.  
8.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.  
8.3 All races will count towards a boats series score.



## 9. SUPPORT BOATS

- 9.1 Support and coach boats will be permitted on the course to provide coaching and assistance to the silver fleet as required.

## 10. AUDIO COMMUNICATION

- 10.1 Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club uses VHF channel 77 for all communications. Support and coach boats are requested to maintain a listening watch on this channel to render assistance if required.

## 11. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded as follows for the Overall results of both divisions:

- Open Skiff Gold Fleet:
  - 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Open Skiff Silver Fleet:
  - 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Open Skiff Green Fleet
  - As decided by the Organising Authority
- Laser 4.7
  - 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Laser Radial
  - 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>

Prizes will also be awarded for the Adventure race, the Dolphin Chaser race and other prizes as the Organising Authority deems suitable.

## 12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 12.1 All those taking part in the regatta 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 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.
- 12.2 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 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.



### **13. INSURANCE**

- 13.1 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

### **14. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS**

- 14.1 In participating, a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authorities, the Coordinating Authorities and the sponsors, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition in which the competitor participates and in all material related to the said Event without compensation.

### **15. AMENDMENTS**

Any amendments to this Notice of Race will be posted on line at:

[www.manneringparkasc.org.au](http://www.manneringparkasc.org.au)

### **16. FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 16.1 Accommodation next door to the Club at Big4 Lake Macquarie Monterey Tourist Park 02 4359 1033 email: [big4lakemac@ahp.com.au](mailto:big4lakemac@ahp.com.au) or [www.ahp.com.au/big4lakemac](http://www.ahp.com.au/big4lakemac)
- 16.2 Houses available through internet and holiday rental through the local real estate agents.
- 16.3 The local Sea Scout Hall with its own cooking facilities, well-kept showers and toilets, may be available to house a group of sailors, wanting hall type accommodation. The Scout Hall is on the water front reserve and provides easy access to the lake and club. Contact Sharon Kely 02 43591147

For further information please contact:

Club Contact: Andrew Whitbourne

Mobile: 0419 291544

Attachment 1



## Introductory Rules for Racing

Version 1.01 - February 2008

### Some Explanations

**Windward and Leeward:** The *leeward* side of your boat is the side where your mainsail lies. The *windward* side is the other side.

**Port and Starboard tack:** You are on *port* or *starboard* tack according to your *windward* side.

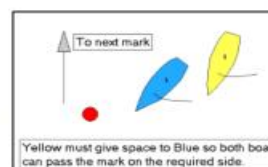
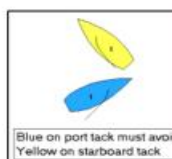
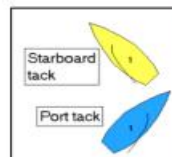
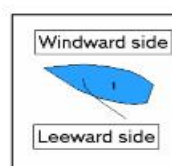
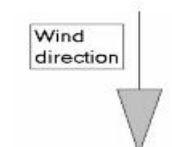
**Advisor:** A person appointed by the race organizers to assist competitors in understanding the rules and, when appropriate, to penalize a boat.

### Basic Rules

1. You must comply with the principles of good sportsmanship.
2. You must try not to collide with another boat.

### Rules When Boats Meet

3. When you and the other boat are on opposite *tacks*, if you are on *port tack* you must avoid the boat on *starboard tack*.
4. When you and the other boat are on the same *tack*, you must avoid the other boat
  - (a) if she is in front of you, or
  - (b) if she is on your *leeward* side.
5. After starting, when you and the other boat approach a mark or an object that both boats need to avoid, and the other boat is between you and the mark or other object, you must give her sufficient space to pass it safely on the same side. However, when the boats are on opposite *tacks* at a windward mark, this rule does not apply.
6. When the other boat is required to avoid you, if you change course, you must give the other boat an adequate opportunity to avoid you.



### Other Rules

7. At the starting signal you must be behind the starting line.
8. After the starting signal, you must sail the course described by the race organizers.
9. You must not touch a mark of the course.
10. If you think you or another boat has broken a rule or if you are unclear about the rules at any time during the race, you must describe the incident to the *advisor* after the race. The *advisor* may then add two points to the score of any boat that has broken a rule. If the offence is serious, the *advisor* may add extra points to the boat's score.



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#### Responsibilities of Race Organizers

- (a) To run fair, enjoyable and safe races.
- (b) To inform all the competitors about the sequence of starting signals, the starting and finishing lines, the course to be sailed and the marks to be rounded.
- (c) To score each boat points equal to her finishing position, after adjusting for handicaps when appropriate.
- (d) To appoint an *advisor* on the rules and procedures for racing.

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#### **Introduction and Use**

These rules are designed to stand on their own so that sailors who are starting to race can compete using only these few rules and without the need to learn the many details of the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). They are appropriate for small boats in sheltered waters; they are not intended for boats over 6 metres (20 feet) long when an experienced person should be alongside and able to instruct the novice helm. These rules are compatible with the principles and fundamental rules in the RRS. However, they are neither a guide to nor an abbreviated form of the RRS.

The rules are intentionally minimalist and they omit as many complications of the RRS as possible. They are written for sailors who are starting to race and with no more than 2 years of racing experience. After this period these sailors should be encouraged to sail races under the Racing Rules of Sailing.

Boats racing under these rules should race on their own course and should not share the course area or marks with boats racing under the RRS.

Unlike normal racing, there is an obligation on the race organisers to verbally brief all competitors about the marks, the course and all relevant race management matters.

The role of rules advisor is a vital part of teaching the rules. Ideally the rules advisor should be afloat and should watch the racing but, as a minimum, the advisor must be available for discussion immediately the sailors return ashore. The rules advisor may be the same person as the race officer.

The standard penalty for breaking a rule is necessarily small at this learning stage and the difficulties of penalty turns are avoided. As it is only the advisor that imposes a penalty, possible pressure on a less confident competitor while racing is avoided. Note this two place penalty applies to all errors (including starting and course errors) although there is provision for increasing the penalty to avoid any advantage being gained from the error.

#### **Feedback**

These rules are 'experimental'. Please let ISAF have your comments, criticisms and suggestions at [www.sailing.org/contactisaf](http://www.sailing.org/contactisaf). The rules will be updated as required and the latest version published on the ISAF website [www.sailing.org](http://www.sailing.org).



**ATTACHMENT 2**

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| <h2 style="margin: 0;">Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club</h2> <h3 style="margin: 0;">2022 Lake Macquarie O'pen SKIFF &amp; LASER Dolphin Chaser Regatta</h3>  |   |  |
| <p><b>ENTRY FORM</b></p> <p><b>BOAT AND SKIPPER DETAILS</b></p>   |   |  |
| Boat Class: Open Skiff/Laser  |   |  |
| Boat Name:  |   |  |
| Boat Sail Number:   |   |  |
| Skipper Surname:  |   |  |
| Skippers First Name:  |   |  |
| Date of Birth   |   |  |
| Club:   |   |  |
| Address:  |   |  |
| Email Address:  |   |  |
| <p><b>Entry Declaration:</b><br/>           I agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Australian Sailing and all other rules that govern this event. I acknowledge that RRS Rule 3 (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 Lake Macquarie O'pen SKIFF Dolphin Chaser Regatta Notice of Race, Clause 12 (Disclaimer of Liability) 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.</p> |   |  |
| Competitors Full Name:  |   |  |
| Parent/Guardian Signature:  |   |  |
| Date:   |   |  |
| Entry Fee:  | \$50  | Includes Saturday evening BBQ            |
| Payment Methods:  | Direct To Bank  | Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club Inc. |
| <p>BSB: 062 832 ACC: 10225462. Provide name on payment details.</p>   |   |  |
| Cheque return to:   | Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club PO Box 7196 Mannering Park NSW 2259 |  |
| <p>Please ensure receipt number is listed if payment made by electronic means</p>   |   |  |
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