



**AUSTRALIAN SHARPIE SAILING ASSOCIATION**

**79<sup>TH</sup> CASCADE BREWERY**

**AUSTRALIAN SHARPIE NATIONALS**

# **NOTICE OF RACE**

**30 DECEMBER 2022 – 07 JANUARY 2023**



Organising Authority:

**DERWENT SAILING SQUADRON INC.**

REGATTA VENUE | SANDY BAY SAILING CLUB



## 1. REGATTA

- 1.1. The regatta is organised and conducted by the Derwent Sailing Squadron (DSS) or the "Organising Authority (OA)" with the assistance of the Sandy Bay Sailing Club (SBSC) and in partnership with the Tasmanian Sharpie Association (TSA).
- 1.2. The regatta will be conducted from Friday 30 December 2022 to Saturday 7 January 2023.
- 1.3. The regatta will be conducted on the River Derwent with competing boats being based at SBSC. See attachment A showing the approximate location of the racing area.

## 2. RULES

- 2.1. The notation '[DP]' in a rule in this Notice of Race (NoR) means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

### 2.2. GENERAL

- 2.2.1. Except as amended by this NoR and/or the Sailing Instructions (SI), the regatta will be governed by the current versions of:
  - a. the 2021-2024 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) of World Sailing (WS);
  - b. the Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) Part 2-Off the Beach Boats. It is the responsibility of all competitors to ensure that personal flotation devices comply with a standard equivalent to those listed in Special Regulations 5.01 Personal Flotation Devices.
  - c. the Rules of the Australian Sharpie Class Association;
  - d. Marine and Safety Tasmania rules and regulations; and
  - e. any Federal and/or Tasmanian Government public health direction on any given day.

### 2.3. AMENDMENTS

- 2.3.1. The OA reserves the right to amend this NoR before Thursday 1 December 2022.
- 2.3.2. Amendments may be published on the Official Notice Board and will be published on the event website found [<HERE>](#). A notice of an amendment will also be sent to boats that have commenced the entry process.

### 2.4. OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD

- 2.4.1. The Official Notice Board is a notice board situated between the change rooms at the front of the SBSC clubroom. Notices posted on the Official Notice Board will also be published on the race website [<HERE>](#).

### 2.5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.5.1. The Sailing Instructions (SI) will be available on the event website [<HERE>](#) before 17:00 on Friday 23 December 2022. Printed copies will be available from the office at the DSS from this date.

### 2.6. COMMUNICATIONS

- 2.6.1. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones. [DP]

### 2.7. PROTEST COMMITTEE

- 2.7.1. The OA will appoint a Protest Committee.

### 3. CHANGES TO RRS AND CLASS RULES

#### 3.1. CHANGES TO THE RACING RULES OF SAILING

- 3.1.1. RRS 30.4 is changed by replacing the words "*sail number*" with "*bow number*".
  - Boats will be required to display bow numbers, supplied by the OA, and fixed in accordance with the SI.
- 3.1.2. In accordance with the Class Association By-Laws, Part B, Clause 20(1), RRS 42.3(c) is changed to read:
  - "*On a free leg of the course when surfing (rapidly accelerating down the leeward side of a wave) or planning is possible, the boat's crew may, in order to initiate surfing or planning, pump the sheet, boom or guy, controlling any sail a maximum of three (3) times for each wave or gust of wind.*";
- 3.1.3. RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two - Turns Penalty is replaced by the One – Turn Penalty;
- 3.1.4. RRS Appendix T shall apply;
- 3.1.5. RRS Appendix T - T1(b) is changed to read:
  - "*A Post-Race Penalty is a 20% Scoring penalty as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rule 44.1(a) applies*".
- 3.1.6. The OA highlights that those devices which indicate remotely or transmit or correlate data about wind direction, wind speed, boat speed or location shall be prohibited in accordance with the Class Association By-Laws, Part B, Clause 20(2).
- 3.1.7. The OA may make other changes to the RRS and the Class Rules in the SI's.

### 4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. A decision of the OA as to any matter under NoR 4, including as to whether a boat and its crew meet the eligibility criteria for entry in the regatta, is final and binding and will not be grounds for a request for redress. This amends RRS 60.1 and 62.1(a) and RRS 63.1 shall not apply.
- 4.2. The regatta is open to all boats of the Australian Sharpie Class that comply with the Rules of the Class Association.
  - 4.2.1. All boats shall produce or verify the existence of a valid measurement certificate. Sails, spars, foils may be measured and hulls weighed.
- 4.3. All crew members shall be financial members of their State Division of the Australian Sharpie Sailing Association, and a yacht club affiliated with Australian Sailing.
- 4.4. Entry to age divisions of the regatta is based on the following age determination with adequate proof of age required to be provided to the OA:
  - 4.4.1. A Junior boat is deemed to be one whose helmsperson is under twenty-one (21) years of age on 30 December 2022;
  - 4.4.2. A Golden Oldies boat is deemed to be one whose helmsperson is over forty (40) years of age on 30 December 2022; and
  - 4.4.3. An Erky Mitton Trophy contestant boat is deemed to be one whose helmsperson is over fifty (50) years of age on 30 December 2022 and who has not been awarded any other perpetual trophy.
- 4.5. INSURANCE
  - 4.5.1. The owner or charterer of a boat shall hold a current marine legal liability insurance policy with respect to the boat when racing, with a sum insured of not less than A\$5 million (or such higher amount as the owner/charterer considers appropriate).
  - 4.5.2. The owner or charterer of a boat shall provide evidence that they have such insurance with coverage that spans the period of the regatta.

- 4.6. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry via the OA website. A link to the Regatta Entry can be found on the event website [<HERE>](#)
- 4.7. Parental consent forms [<HERE>](#), for competitors under the age of 18 years, as at 31 December 2022 shall be provided.
- 4.8. ENTRY, DOCUMENTATION AND FEES

4.8.1. A boat shall complete the entry form, including the conditions of entry through the online entry system found [<HERE>](#) before 17:00 on Friday 2 December 2022.

- a. Entries after this date will only be accepted on the absolute discretion of the OA and will be subject to a late entry fee of \$100.
- b. The following documentation shall be uploaded through the entry system before 17:00 on Friday 16 December 2022:
  - i. Evidence of insurance as described in NoR 4.5;
  - ii. Parental consent forms for crew under 18 years of age as described in NoR 4.7;
  - iii. ~~Valid measurement certificate as required in NoR 4.2.1.~~
- c. The boat is responsible to ensure that the documentation is received by the OA by the due date. Documentation provided after this date will be subject to the late entry fee described in NoR 4.8.1(a).

4.8.2. Entry Fees

- a. A boat shall pay the following fees in full by 17:00 on Friday 2 December 2022 or an additional late fee shall be applied for entries accepted by the OA after this date.

i.	Entry Fee	\$350	Helmsperson aged 21 year and over
ii.	Entry Fee	\$100	Helmsperson aged under 21 years
iii.	Late fee	\$100	Entries after 17:00 on Friday 2 December 2021

- b. All fees include Australian Goods and Services Tax.
- c. The entry fee is inclusive of meals at the Welcome function for 3 crew from each boat. Additional tickets may be purchased at registration.
- d. Other fees for social functions will be advised on the event website and at the regatta.

## 5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1. The skipper of each entered boat is required to register for the regatta at SBSC during the registration day as described in NoR 5.6.
- 5.2. Skippers are required to attend a regatta briefing which will be held at SBSC at 10:00 on Saturday 31 December 2022. Other crew members are welcome to attend.
- 5.3. There shall be a maximum of 10 races conducted for the regatta.
- 5.4. There shall be a maximum of 3 races conducted on each race day.
- 5.5. The first warning signal on each race day shall be no earlier than described in NOR 5.7.

5.6. The schedule for the regatta will be:

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Friday	30 December 2022	09:00 – 16:30
		Registration & Measurement
Saturday	31 December 2022	10:00
		Competitor Briefing
		12:55
		Two (2) invitation races
Sunday	1 January 2023	
		Lay Day
Monday	2 January 2023	<del>10:25</del> 09:55
		Multiple races
Tuesday	3 January 2023	12:55
		Multiple races
Wednesday	4 January 2023	12:55
		Multiple races
Thursday	5 January 2023	
		Lay Day
Friday	6 January 2023	12:55
		Multiple races
Saturday	7 January 2023	12:55
		Multiple races
		19:00
		Presentation

5.7. There will be no warning signal made after 15:30 on Saturday 7 January 2023.

## 6. COURSES

6.1. The courses will be a combination of Windward/Leeward and Triangle configurations as described in the SI.

## 7. SCORING

7.1. The low points scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply.

7.2. The regatta will consist of up to 10 races, not including the two (2) invitation races, of which four (4) races must be completed to constitute a series.

7.2.1. When six (6) or less races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

7.2.2. When from seven (7) to eight (8) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

7.2.3. When from nine (9) to ten (10) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst two (2) scores.

## 8. PRIZES

8.1. The following prizes will be awarded:

- The Addison Bros. Trophy to the winner of the Australian Championship;
- The Geoff Augustine Trophy for the crew of the boat winning the Australian Championship;
- The Alcorso Trophy to second place in the Australian Championship;
- The Fred Meyer Trophy to third place in the Australian Championship;
- The Phil Durham Trophy to fourth place in the Australian Championship;
- The Golden Oldies Trophy to the helmsperson over 40 years of age with the best points score over all Championship races;
- The Erky Mitton Trophy to the helmsperson over 50 years of age with the best points score over all Championship races (who has not won another major prize),
- The Tomlinson Trophy to the junior helmsperson (under 21 years of age) with the best points score over all Championship races;
- The Westpac Trophy for consistency on handicap over all Championship races;
- The Ray Callard Trophy to the winner on handicap in the first invitation race;
- The Bretts Plywood Trophy to the winner on handicap in the second invitation race;
- The Graham Keys Trophy to the first Female Skipper in the Australian Championship with the best points score over all Championship races;
- The Red Hand Trophy to the country representative with the best points score over all Championship races;

- The Bishops Team Trophy for the best team effort over all Championship races. The first five (5) boats to finish from each State team to score points towards the trophy. The points score system to be as for the Australian Championship;
- The O'Grady Cup to the helmsperson of the team representative boat who achieves the best score over all races of the regatta. The results of the Invitation races shall, for this purpose, be computed as for the Australian Championship races;
- The Don Shields Perpetual Trophy to the non-team representative in the Australian Championship with the best points score over all Championship races;
- The George Laurens Trophy to the non-team representative in the Australian Championship with the best points score over all Championship races on handicap; and
- The Mark Peelgrane Memorial Trophy to the helmsperson who achieves the most wins over all Championship races of the regatta, including the Invitation Races, with a tie being decided by a count back of other finishing positions.

8.2. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

8.3. The prize giving ceremony will be held at the DSS on Saturday 7 January 2023 starting at 19:00.

## 9. MEASUREMENT, INSPECTION AND SAILS

9.1. Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate during the regatta in accordance with the Australian Sharpie Sailing Association Inc By-Laws Part B.

9.2. Boats shall be inspected and weighed on 30 December 2022 between 09:00-16:30 in accordance with [Australian Sharpie Sailing Association Inc By-Laws Part B](#).

9.3. During the regatta, a boat shall permit a representative of the OA or the Class Association technical committee to conduct spot inspections, if requested by the OA. Spot checks may be carried out prior to the warning signal or after a boat finishes or retires.

9.4. Sails will be restricted to two sets of sails for the duration of the regatta. No more than two mains, two jibs and two spinnakers shall be used and must be made available for measurement by the Association Measurer or their representative

## 10. ADVERTISING, MEDIA RIGHTS AND RESTRICTIONS

10.1. Advertising is permitted in accordance with WS Regulation 20 – Appendix 1 – Advertising.

10.2. The OA reserves the right to refuse advertising on any boat, if it is considered offensive to public taste or if it contravenes the laws of the state and/or federal government.

10.3. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA. If this rule is broken World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies. [DP]

10.4. The owner or charterer of a competing boat and all crew members shall grant the DSS, SBSC and the Australian Sharpie Association unconditional, perpetual right and authority to publish and broadcast anywhere in the world, for any purpose and in any medium, names, images, data of the crew and still and moving images of the boat and its crew prior to, during and after the regatta.

## 11. DISCLAIMER

11.1. All those taking part in the race do so at their own risk and responsibility. By entering their names on a boats crew list, crew members acknowledge that by doing so they release the DSS, SBSC, the Australian Sharpie Association and affiliated State Associations, the race sponsor and any other sponsor of the regatta and their respective officers, employees, volunteers and members, from all liability and grant the rights referred to in NoR 10.

11.2. Specific attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 3 (Decision to race), which states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".

## 12. FURTHER INFORMATION

12.1. For further information please contact:

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12.2. The social schedule will be provided to competitors prior to the event.

12.3. The event website can be found at the <https://dssinc.org.au/2023-sharpie-australian-championship/>



# Attachment A – Race Area

