



NOTICE OF RACE

2007 Access Class National Championships (Incorporating International Championships)

6th – 9th April 2007

Adelaide Sailing Club; Barcoo Road; West Beach, South Australia

The Australian Access Class as the Organising Authority has contracted the Adelaide Sailing Club to conduct the Australian and International Access Class Championships on the waters of Gulf St Vincent, at Adelaide, West Beach from 6th April 2007 – 9th April 2007.

1. Rules

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing for 2005-2008*, the prescriptions and Special Regulations of Yachting Australia and the Rules of the Access Class.

The racing rules will be changed as follows:-

- Rule 41 Outside Help will be altered. (Radio or General assistance) Where electronic or verbal instructions are used to assist sailors, assistance shall be limited to safety and direction.
- Rule 44.1 "Taking a penalty" and Rule 44.2 "Two-Turns Penalty" will be altered so the penalty for a breach of a RRS Part 2 rule will be a one turn including one tack and one gybe
- Rule 61.1(a) "Informing the protestee" will be altered so that the hail "Protest" is not required but should be made where possible
- Rule 63.3(a) "Protest Hearing" will be altered such that a representative at a protest hearing need not have been on board at the time of the incident

2. Eligibility and Entry

The regatta will be sailed in Access Dinghies as follows:-

Division 1	Access 2.3 Single Person (Experienced)
Division 2	Access 2.3 Single Person (Intermediate)
Division 3	Access 2.3 Single Person (Beginner)
Division 4	Access 2.3 Single Person (Special Development Schools)
Division 5	Access 2.3 Two Person
Division 6	Access 3.03 Single
Division 7	Access 3.03 Two Person
Division 8	Access Liberty
Division 9	Access Liberty Electric Assist
Division 0	Electric Assist (combines with any division 1-7 above)

Divisions 1, 2, 6, 8 & 9 shall be called A fleet

Divisions 3, 4, 5 & 7 shall be called B Fleet

Note - *The Organising Authority may re-allocate sailors who enter divisions 1,2 or 3 to another of these divisions. In all Divisions, outside assistance is permitted for boats that are servo assisted, where sailors are vision impaired, or to other boats at the discretion of the Organising Authority. This assistance also applies to reefing and un-reefing these boats where required.*

Competitors are required to be a current financial member of the Australian Access Class Association (\$30) or a National Access Class Association affiliated with the International Access Class Association. In addition, competitors are reminded that they must be affiliated with their National Sailing Authority (RRS 75)

Competitors are encouraged to 'bring their own boats'. Those sailors wishing to compete and do not have ready access to a boat may be allocated to sail in boats provided by the Organising Authority for a hire fee of \$50 per boat.

Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached Entry Form and sending it together with the required fee to Adelaide Sailing Club; PO Box 28; Glenelg SA 5045 by Friday 16th March 2007.

3. Fees

Entry fees are stated in Australian dollars (AUD\$) and include GST. The entry fee is \$60.00 for Divisions 1, 2, 6, 8 & 9 (A fleet) and \$40.00 for Divisions 3, 4, 5 & 7 (B fleet)

4. Schedule of events

Friday 6th April 2007

1200 – 1700hrs

1300 – 1700hrs

1700 – 1730hrs

1730hrs

Registration

Practice session

Sailors' briefing

Access Class Annual General Meeting

Saturday 7th April 2007

1000hrs

After finish of Race 1

1400hrs

After finish of Race 1

1830hrs

B fleet 1st race warning signal

B fleet 2nd race warning signal

A fleet 1st race warning signal

A fleet 2nd race warning signal

Regatta Dinner at Adelaide Sailing Club

Sunday 8th April 2007

1000hrs

After finish of Race 3

1400hrs

After finish of Race 3

B fleet 3rd race warning signal

B fleet 4th race warning signal

A fleet 3rd race warning signal

A fleet 4th race warning signal

Monday 9th April 2007

1000hrs

1500hrs

A fleet 5th race warning signal

Trophy Presentation

5. Measurement

Measurement checks and inspections may be carried out at any time. A boat notified of inspection shall follow the instructions of the Organising Committee

6. Sailing instructions

The sailing instructions will be available at registration

6. Racing area

The racing area will be in the waters of Gulf St Vincent adjacent to Adelaide Sailing Club, Barcoo Road, West Beach as detailed in the sailing instructions.

7. Courses to be sailed

Courses will be Windward / Leeward or Triangular as detailed in the sailing instructions.

8. Scoring system

RRS Appendix A, Low Point system shall apply.

The completion of 4 races is required to constitute a championship in A fleet (Divs 1, 2, 6, 8 & 9)

The completion of 2 races is required to constitute a championship in B fleet (Divs 3, 4, 5 & 7)

9. Safety

Competitors shall wear a PFD at all times whilst afloat, on pontoons or on gangways during the period of the event including any training and activities outside of scheduled race times.

10. Support boats / Coaches

Support boats will be allowed in the racing area but may be restricted by the Sailing Instructions

11. Prizes

Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in all divisions with 5 or more entries. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

12. Entry disclaimer

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, or after the regatta.

13. Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD\$5,000,000 or equivalent thereof in any currency for any accident. The owners of boats available for the series shall provide to the Race Committee, prior to the first race, a copy of their insurance certificate.

For information about the club and nearby accommodation visit www.adelaidesailingclub.com.au

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