



***Amended 02/08/2018 - NOTICE OF RACE FOR THE
50th NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS***

***ON THE
NORTHERN WATERS OF LAKE ILLAWARRA
FROM
SATURDAY 29 DECEMBER 2018
TILL
FRIDAY 4 JANUARY 2019***

THE ORGANISING AUTHORITY IS

***ILLAWARRA YACHT CLUB (IYC)
1 Northcliffe Drive
WARRAWONG NSW 2502***

***IN CONJUNCTION WITH
NSW NS14 ASSOCIATION***



Further sponsors will be announced on the Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined by The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS).
- 1.2 The prescriptions of Australian Sailing (AS) formerly Yachting Australia will apply.
- 1.3 Under Rule 87 the NS14 Class Rules are amended as follows to allow registered MG14 Class Boats whose crew satisfies the eligibility criteria in Entries in the Notice of Race to participate.
- 1.4 The MG14 must meet the NS14 Class Measurement Rules with the following allowances granted under the NS14 Constitution.
- 1.5 A fixed bowsprit stub projecting less than 60mm beyond the normal measurement length is permitted. Any pointed or sharp protuberances must be safely capped accordingly.
- 1.6 The mainsail shall be capable of being lowered from sailing position from within the boat afloat and upright.
- 1.7 If the "MG" insignia is present on the mainsail, the NS14 Class insignis shall be affixed to the opposite side of the sail (i.e. port side uppermost). The sail number must be unique.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen by and supplied by the Organising Authority

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The Regatta is open to all boats of the NS14 Class, however, no boat may score points unless:
 - a) The boat is sailed by a crew of two persons, both people being financial members of a club affiliated with AS or any of its members for the 2018/2019 season.
 - b) At least one member of the crew is a financial member, approved by the Management Committee of the NS14 Association of NSW Inc. or a State or Territory NS14 Association for the 2018/2019 season; and
 - c) Crews, who must fulfil the requirements of a) and b) above, may only be substituted with the prior written approval of the Race Committee.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form either online or manually by positing or emailing to Race Secretary (email address and postal address will be on the paper form) along with the prescribed entry fee on or before Saturday 01/12/2018
- 3.3 Late entries will be accepted up until Registration on Saturday 29/12/2018. Late entries will not receive any promotional material or be able to purchase a Shirt, however, dinner tickets may still be available. No entries will be accepted after this time and date without the prior approval of the NSW NS14 Association Race Secretary at nswns14assoc@gmail.com.
- 3.4 Association membership as above in 3.1 b) must be paid by the relevant dates to enter this state championship.

4. ENTRY FEES

- 4.1 Entry received up to and including Saturday 01/12/2018 = \$200.00
- 4.2 LATE ENTRIES
Entries received after Saturday 01/12/2018 but up to and including during registration will be = \$250.00
- 4.3 SHIRT ORDER AND SOCIAL DINNER/S
Shirts will be \$30.00
Social Dinner details are located at Point 17 and price/s will be on the entry form when it is released.

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 5.1 *Registration* : From 09.00am till 12.00pm at Illawarra Yacht Club on Saturday 29/12/2018.
- 5.2 *Briefing* : At 11.00am on Sunday 30/12/2018 and as needed at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 5.3 The National Championship series consists of a maximum of 10 Races over 5 days scheduled as follows:

DAY	DATE	SESSION	TIME FOR FIRST WARNING SIGNAL
SATURDAY	29/12/2018	REGISTRATION & INVITATION RACE	1.00pm
SUNDAY	30/12/2018	SESSION 1	1.00pm
MONDAY	31/12/2018	SESSION 2	1.00pm
TUESDAY	01/01/2019	LAY DAY	
WEDNESDAY	02/01/2019	SESSION 3	1.00pm
THURSDAY	03/01/2019	SESSION 4	1.00pm
FRIDAY	04/01/2019	SESSION 5	1.00pm

- 5.4 A maximum of 10 races are scheduled with a minimum of 5 races to be completed to constitute a series.
- 5.5 A maximum of 3 races may be sailing in any one day. The aim is to hold 2 races each session, however, weather conditions may require the maximum of 3 to ensure the series is completed.
- 5.6 Races will be sailed in a back to back format within each session with subsequent races starting soon after the completion of the previous race.
- 5.7 There will be no warning signal made after 4.00pm on Friday 04 January 2019.

6. MEASUREMENT & EQUIPMENT

- 6.1 Only one set of spars and foils can be declared for use in the National Championship. 2 Jibs and 1 Mainsail can be declared for use in the National Championships. Measurement form for all declared sail and spars must be in the hands of the appropriate State or Territory Association Measurer by the close of Registration.
- 6.2 All boats must conform to the NS14 Class Rules to be eligible to score points in the National Championships.

- 6.3 Replacement of individual sails, spars and foils which are damaged may be permitted only with the written approval of the National Measurer or his representative.
- 6.4 Competing boats shall be available for inspection or measurement by the National Measurer or his representative at any time during the National Championships. Boats may be weighed at the start of or during the National Championships. A safety check list will be emailed to all competitors once entry has been received. The safety check list is to be completed and returned during registration on Saturday 29/12/2108.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available from 10.00am on Saturday 29 December 2018 at Illawarra Yacht Club if not published beforehand.

8. VENUE

- 8.1 Illawarra Yacht Club (IYC) is located at the Northern waters of Lake Illawarra, see Attachment A.

9. COURSES

- 9.1 The courses to be sailed will be described in the Sailing Instructions.
- 9.2 The racing area and regatta site will be the Northern waters of Lake Illawarra near Wollongong, see Attachment A

10. SCORING

- 10.1 The Low Point scoring system will apply.
- 10.2 A maximum of TEN (10) races to be scheduled and FIVE (5) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 10.3 If FIVE (5) or less races are completed, each boat's series score shall be the total of its races without a discard.
- 10.4 If SIX (6) to SEVEN (7) races are completed, each boat's series score shall be the total of its race scores after discarding the worst single race score.
- 10.5 If EIGHT (8) or more races are completed, each boat's series score shall be the total of its race scores after discarding the worst two race scores.
- 10.6 A handicap scoring system will be maintained for the State/National Championships. An initial handicap estimate will be determined based on the boats first 3 races.

11. SUPPORT BOATS

- 11.1 Team Leaders, Coaches and other support personnel shall not be within 50 meters of competitors from the time of the preparatory signal until each boat has finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. Penalty for failing to comply with this requirement will be discretionary and may be disqualification (after protest by the Race Committee Only) of all boats associated with the infringing support personnel.

12. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 12.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmission while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

13. TROPHIES AND PRIZES

13.1 MAJOR PRIZES

Perpetual trophies and prizes will be awarded as listed below:

- a) SCRATCH prizes awarded to – 1st, 2nd, 3rd
- b) HANDICAP prizes awarded to – 1st, 2nd, 3rd
- c) FEMALE SKIPPER – 1st Female Skipper on Scratch
- d) YOUTH CREW – 1st boat with both Crew members Under 19 as at 01/01/2019 based on Scratch (additional perpetual trophies may be awarded for this category)

13.2 DIVISION PRIZES

To be eligible for the following Division prizes, there needs to be 3 boats registered in that Division

- a) CLASSIC DIVISION – First Aero 9 or Equivalent and prior on Handicap
- b) FAMILY CREW
- c) HEAVYWEIGHT
- d) HUSBAND & WIFE
- e) JACK & JILL
- f) VETERAN SKIPPER – Skipper over 50 years at 01/01/2019

13.3 Scratch Prize winners are not eligible for Handicap Prizes

13.4 Only Female Skipper and Youth Crew can be awarded more than one major prize from 13.1

13.5 Major Prize winners in 13.1 above are not eligible for Division Prizes (13.2 above)

13.6 Division Prizes will be awarded in the order shown above in 13.2. Competitors are only eligible to win one Division prize.

13.7 Further prizes may be awarded at the organizers discretion.

14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

14.1 All those taking part in the National Championships do so at their own risk and responsibility.

14.2 Neither the Organising Authority nor the NSW NS14 Association/NS14 Association of Australia is responsible for any competitor or any boat that participated in the National Championships. Attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4 “The responsibility of a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone”.

14.3 Any person who participated in the National Championships releases the Organizing Authority and its Officers, employees and agents from all claims and demands of every kind resulting from any accident, damage, loss, death or injury occurring in respect of the National Championships.

14.4 Competitors (or parents/guardian of Under 18 Years old competitors) are to sign the “Indemnity Declaration of Regatta Competitors at Illawarra Yacht Club” before or at Registration. This document will be emailed to all competitors after entry has been received and will be required to be handed in at Registration on Saturday 29/12/2018.

15. INSURANCE

- 15.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid third-party liability insurance cover of not less than \$10 million per event or equivalent. All owners/entrants who sign the entry form are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 16.1 *CONTACT DETAILS*
- 16.2 NSW NS14 ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT – Stephanie Sheridan – nswns14assocsec@gmail.com
- 16.3 NSW NS14 ASSOCIATION RACE SECRETARY – Angela Redmond – nswns14assoc@gmail.com.

17. SOCIAL INFORMATION

- 17.1 *WELCOME DINNER*
- 17.2 *There will be a Welcome Dinner on Saturday 29/12/2018. Details of Welcome dinner will be included on the Entry form as this is still being sorted with the assistance of IYC.*
- 17.3 *ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING*
- 17.4 *National NS14 Association Annual General Meeting details will be advised at Registration.*
- 17.5 *PRESENTATION*
- 17.6 *Presentation Dinner will be held on Friday 04/01/2019. Details of presentation will be included on the Entry form as this is still being sorted with the assistance of IYC.*

18. ACCOMMODATION

- 18.1 *Camping accommodation is available on the grounds of Illawarra Yacht Club. The NSW NS14 Association will be responsible for collecting numbers and payment of Camping Fees.*
- 18.2 *Camping is \$70.00 per Adult for the duration of the event. Under 18 Years of age are free. Camping is currently restricted to 40 people (if you have one tent with 6 people in it, the 6 people are what is needed to be counted, not the one tent)*
- 18.3 *Camping bookings will open as soon as the NOR is published and will Close on Wednesday 01/08/2018. Any further availability will be advised from Saturday 01/09/2018 and will then close with entries on Saturday 01/12/2018.*
- 18.4 *Payment of camping bookings will be made with your entry.*
- 18.5 *To express your interest in camping please email Race Secretary at nswns14assoc@gmail.com as soon as possible and advise numbers and the type of accommodation you will be using, i.e. Tent, caravan, camper, etc.*
- 18.6 *NSW Race Secretary will provide relevant information on camping requirements at IYC and confirm your booking.*

ATTACHMENT A – Map of Illawarra Yacht Club and the Waters of Lake Illawarra, Racing will be held on the Northern Waters of Lake Illawarra near Wollongong.

