



NSW Heron Association

**NSW YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS
2017-2018**

NOTICE OF RACE

24 – 25 February NLSC

Organised & Hosted By

Narrabeen Lakes Sailing Club

On Behalf of

NSW Heron Sailing Association

1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority shall be Narrabeen Lakes Sailing Club (NLSC) in conjunction with the NSW Heron Association.

2 RULES

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020*
- 2.2 Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 Off the Beach Boats will apply.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 The regatta is open to all ‘A’ Class Herons registered with the NHSAA– Skippers must be financial members of the NHSAA at the warning signal of Ht 1. Skippers must be under 18 years of age at the warning signal of Ht 1.

3.1.1 Competitors entered in the Youth/Youth division must have both skipper and crew under 18 years of age at the warning signal of Ht 1.

3.1.2 This Regatta permits the use of a Genoa subject to meeting the following conditions:
Eligible to enter the Heavy Weight division (Crew weight exceeds 135kg)

OR

Crew weight exceeds 125kg and the boat is carrying at least the difference between the crew weight (carrying sailing gear) and 135kg as additional ballast (Lead Weight Correctors fixed under the front thwart).

AND

Crew intending to use the genoa must be weighed at the competitor briefing wearing shorts and T-shirt and carrying their sailing gear. “Sailing gear” is defined as; PFD, spray jacket, booties and gloves.

Crew may be reweighed at any time during the series.

Competitors using the genoa shall do so in all races.

3.2 Eligible boats must submit entries and payment via the NSW Heron Sailing Association’s (NSWHSA) online Try Booking registration system. The link to the booking system for the event can be found on the NSWHSA website www.nsw.héronsailing.com.au or through the Facebook page www.facebook.com/NSWHeronSailingAssociation

3.3 Entries must be received by 19/02/2018

3.4 Late entries will be accepted until 10:00 on 24/02/2018 under the following conditions: The competitor must pay an additional late entry fee of \$20 and may be given a scratch handicap at the discretion of the Race Committee under the guidance of the Race Secretary.

4 MEASUREMENT

Each boat shall be registered as ‘A’ Class with the NHSAA. Random measurement checks of any boats may be made at any time during the series.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Up to 12 races are scheduled

5.2 Dates and times of racing:

Date	Event	Venue	Warning Signal	Start Time
Sat 24 February	Competitors Briefing	NLSC		10.00
	Racing	NLSC	10.55	11:00
Sun 25 February	Racing	NLSC	09.55	10.00

5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is as per the above table.

5.4 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 16:00

6 FEES

6.1 Full Series Entry Fee is \$40

6.2 Each Day's Racing Entry Fee is \$20

7 RACING AREAS

Attachment 1 shows the location of racing areas.

8 THE COURSES

The courses will be sailed as described in the Sailing Instructions.

9 MARKS

9.1 Marks of the course will be yellow flag buoys.

10 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available after 22 Feb 2018 at: www.nsw.heronsailing.com.au

11 VENUE

11.1 For all heats shall be NLSC.

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14 PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 Rules 44.1 and 44.2 will apply.

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17 SCORING

17.1 The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply.

17.2 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

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- (a) When fewer than 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When 7 or 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - (c) When 9 or more races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her 2 worst scores.

18 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

- First place perpetual trophy Skipper and Crew
- Scratch Places 2nd and 3rd Skipper and Crew
- Handicap Places 1st to 3rd Skipper and Crew
- Other prizes may be given at the discretion of the Race and Management committee of the NSW Heron Association
- Winners of Overall scratch place prizes will not be eligible to win handicap prizes

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20 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

In participating in the regatta, a competitor automatically grants the Organising Authority and the sponsors of the regatta, 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 film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition for the said regatta in which the competitor participates and in all material related to the said regatta without compensation.

21 RISK WARNING

21.1 This risk warning is issued jointly by the NSW Heron Sailing Association, NLSC and NSW Maritime, pursuant to the Civil Liability Act 2002, to all persons wishing to participate in the 2017-2018 NSW Youth Heron Championship. Participants are warned that, regardless of the precautions, which might be taken by reasonable and experienced persons, sailing can be a dangerous pursuit and participants are exposed to an inherent risk of property damage, physical harm and possibly death. As an indication, these risks may include, but are not limited to:

- the extremes of weather and sea conditions
- the potential that control of vessels may be lost, resulting in collision with objects and other vessels
- the sudden movement of the vessel at any time and the possibility that the participants may fall or be thrown overboard resulting in drowning
- the possibility that participants may be injured by equipment in the vessel
- the absence of immediate medical care and the likelihood that significant delays may occur before medical care is available
- exposure to the elements for extended periods

21.2 The NSW Heron Sailing Association, NLSC and NSW Maritime also warn participants that regardless of their best intentions, they may be unable to render assistance to participants who may be in distress. Participants are warned to consider the above risks and all other risks before deciding to participate in any sailing event. Participants are also advised that although NLSC is covered by third party liability insurance, this cover does not extend to participants for injury or damage arising from inherent risks. Any participant who considers they have a need for insurance must make their own private arrangements with an insurer. Membership of a Sailing Club affiliated with Australian Sailing entitles you to personal insurance cover through Australian Sailing.

22 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

23 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUS\$10 million per event or the equivalent.

24 FURTHER INFORMATION

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ATTACHMENT 1

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