



PORT HACKING OPEN SAILING CLUB

Single Handed Heron Regatta 4 March 2018

NOTICE OF RACE

1) RULES

- a) The regatta will be governed by *ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing*, the rules of the National Heron Sailing Association and any amendments to those rules in this Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions.
- b) All competitors must wear a type 2 or 3 life Jacket or equivalent, and all boats must be equipped with a tow ring, and a functional bucket and paddle, both of which must be tied into the boat.

2) ORGANISING AUTHORITY

- a) The Organising Authority shall be the Port Hacking Open Sailing Club (PHOSC).

3) ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- a) Boats used to sail the event must be a Heron. The Organising Authority reserves the right to disqualify a boat if it feels, on reasonable grounds, that any boat used does not comply with the intent of the Heron class rules.
- b) This is a single handed event. All boats entered must be crewed by one person only.
- c) Entry is free.
- d) Eligible boats/skippers may enter by completing the attached form and sending it to:
Paul Armstrong
paularmstrong@optusnet.com.au
- e) Although prior notice of entry is requested, entries will be accepted at the starter's box at the PHOSC on the day.
- f) Entrants may use the larger jib (Genoa) as approved at the 2010 National AGM if they meet either of the following conditions:
 - The weight of the skipper alone exceeds 135kg.
 - The weight of the skipper alone exceeds 125kg and the boat is carrying at least the difference between the skipper's weight and 135kg as additional ballast (Weight Correctors).

4) FEES

- a) There is no entry fee.

5) SCHEDULE

a) Registration: No registration is required on the day if you have previously completed an entry form.

b) Date and time of racing:

Date, Venue & Event Start Time

Sunday, 4 March 2018

Port Hacking Open Sailing Club (see access details below and map attached)

Briefing in clubhouse at 13:00

Race start 13:30 (approx.) – exact time to be notified before race.

6) SAILING INSTRUCTIONS **(note changes from last year)**

a) The standard sailing instructions of Port Hacking Open Sailing Club will apply and are accessible at: www.phosc.org.au amended as follows:

i) There will be three heats over a triangle/sausage course with the outcome of all three heats to count towards an aggregate score that will determine the winner.

ii) Although there will be other classes racing on the day, the Herons will have their own start for each heat.

iii) The starting sequence will comprise:

- A five minute sound signal and flag;
- A four minute sound signal and flag;
- A one minute sound signal and flag; and
- A starting sound signal.

iv) The regatta will be sailed on a course comprising a windward, wing and leeward mark set in the broadwater south of Yowie Bay.

v) Unless otherwise indicated by the Race officer, each race will comprise the following:

- Start and finish between committee boat and mark, approximately halfway up the windward leg.
- Pass all marks to starboard in the order windward, wing, leeward, windward, leeward, finish (i.e. triangle followed by a sausage)

8) AWARDS

a) The winner of the event will be awarded the PHOSC World Heron Single Handed Champion trophy at the annual NSW Heron Awards night. This trophy was hand crafted from classic timbers by one of our Heron sailors and is a work of art!

9) DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- a) Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. 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.

10) INSURANCE

- a) Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5,000,000.

11) ACCESS TO PHOSC

- a) PHOSC is located at:
226B Attunga Road,
Yowie Bay,
NSW 2226.
- b) Although there is plenty of parking space for both cars and trailers at the club there is **NO** access to the water for boats at the club house. Competitors will need to launch their boats at the Yowie Bay boat ramp located at Wonga Rd, Yowie Bay.
- c) The boat ramp is approximately 750 metres by water from PHOSC.
- d) Parking for cars and trailers is available at the boat ramp. However, it is probably better for competitors to drop their boats at the ramp (where we will arrange for it to be towed with its dolly to the sailing club) and then drive their car and road trailer to the club. You can then walk down to the club's rigging platform where your boat will be waiting for you.
- e) Assistance will be available at the boat ramp from 10:00am on the day. If you want to bring the boat down on Saturday we can arrange for a two from the boat ramp and for overnight storage.
- f) If there is no one from PHOSC at the Wonga Rd ramp when you arrive we request that you ring Paul Armstrong on 0413 071 650 or Peter Connor 0411 324 543 to request assistance. If we are not there it will likely be because we are towing other Herons to the club.
- g) We encourage all competitors and their helpers to come back to the club after the race for an informal BBQ.

12) FURTHER INFORMATION

- a) For further information please contact Paul Armstrong at:
paularmstrong@optusnet.com.au
0413 071 650