



PORT HACKING OPEN SAILING CLUB

Heron World Single Handed Championship

Port Hacking Open Sailing Club - 13 & 14 March 2021

NOTICE OF RACE

1) INTRODUCTION

- Welcome to the 6th annual Heron World Single Handed Championship. This is your chance to achieve the dream of becoming a world sailing champion!
- The Heron World Single Handed Championship (also known somewhat ambitiously as the Single Handed Intergalactics) will be held on 13 and 14 March 2021 at Port Hacking Open Sailing Club.
- Overnight indoor camping is available free of charge at the club on the Saturday night. This includes toilet, showers and kitchen facilities. You can either bring a swag or erect a small tent as long as it is freestanding (i.e. doesn't require pegs). Please contact Peter Connor on 02 9528 0471 or 0411 324 543 to secure your spot.
- A BBQ will be held on Saturday evening at the club. We encourage all competitors and their helpers to stay for a while at the club after the race for this informal gathering. A small charge to cover food will apply and drinks (soft drinks and beer) can be purchased.

2) RULES

- The event 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.

3) ORGANISING AUTHORITY

- The sole Organising Authority for this event is the Port Hacking Open Sailing Club Inc. (PHOSC).

4) ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- Entry is open to everyone.
- Boats used to sail this event must be recognised as a Heron in accordance with the By-laws of the National Heron Sailing Association of Australia. All classifications of

Heron (i.e. A, B & C) are eligible. 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.

- All entrants for the Heron World Single Handed Championship must sail races "one up". "Two up" boats will be allowed to start but will not be eligible for points for that race.
- There is no entry fee for the Heron World Single Handed Championship. Although registration is not required it is requested you email paularmstrong@optusnet.com.au if you intend coming so we can arrange catering.
- Entrants may use the larger jib (Genoa) if they meet either of the following conditions:
 - The weight of the skipper exceeds 135kg; or
 - The weight of the skipper exceeds 125kg and the boat is carrying at least the difference between the skipper's weight and 135kg as additional ballast (weight correction by way of water bottles will be accepted).

5) VENUE

- The Heron World Single Handed Championship will be held at the PHOSC on the glorious waters of Port Hacking (see access details below and map attached).
- PHOSC is located at:

226B Attunga Road
Yowie Bay
NSW 2226
- 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 the end of Wonga Rd, Yowie Bay.
- The boat ramp is approximately 750 metres by water from PHOSC.
- Although limited parking for cars and trailers is available at the boat ramp, we will have people at the boat ramp to assist you. Simply drive down to the ramp and use the temporary parking / turning circle adjacent to the boat ramp to off load your boat on its dolly. We will arrange for your boat to be towed to the sailing club whilst you drive your car and trailer there. You can then walk down to the club's rigging platform where your boat will be waiting for you.
- Assistance will be available at the boat ramp from 9:30am on Saturday. 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.

- Boats can be stored overnight on the rigging deck at PHOSC. Returning your boats to the Yowie Bay boat ramp on Sunday afternoon will be the reverse of the above.

6) SCHEDULE

- a) Registration: no registration is required on either day. However, there will be a sign on sheet in the clubhouse on each day. By signing the sign on sheet you are accepting the conditions of the event as laid out in this Notice of Race or any other material referred to in this Notice of Race.

b) **Saturday 13 March 2021**

- 09:30 – Valet service begins at Yowie Bay boat ramp.
- 10:00 – 12:00 – Rigging on the deck of the sailing club.
- 12:30 - Briefing in the PHOSC clubhouse (just above the rigging deck)
- 13:30 – Race 1
- Race 2 will commence approx. 10 Min after completion of the previous race
- 17:00 - BBQ

c) **Sunday 14 March 2021**

- 11:30 – Race 1
- Races 2 & 3 will commence approx. 10 Min after completion of the previous race
- 17:00 - Presentation

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- a) The standard sailing instructions of Port Hacking Open Sailing Club will apply and are accessible at <https://cdn.revolutionise.com.au/site/cfwmsizx8kaliqn5.pdf>, amended as follows:
 - There will be five heats. Each heat will be approximately one hour in duration.
 - If five heats are completed there will be one discard, otherwise there will be no discards.
 - The starting line will be from the starters box in the clubhouse to a mark approximately 75 metres in front of the club.
 - PHOSC standard club courses will be used, with the course selected being dependent upon wind conditions on the day. The course number will be displayed in the widow of the clubhouse. Course maps will be available from the clubhouse on the day and are also accessible from the PHOSC website (<https://www.phosc.org.au/club-racing/>).

- Rather than the standard 2 laps and a sausage applicable to club races, we anticipate each race comprising one lap plus a sausage.
- There will be no traditional starting sequence. A digital clock on the front of the clubhouse will show a countdown to the start time for each race.
- Although there will be other classes racing on the Sunday, the Herons will have their own start for each heat.

7) AWARDS

- a) The winner of the event will be awarded the PHOSC Heron World Single Handed Championship trophy. This trophy was hand crafted from classic timbers by one of our Heron sailors and is a work of art! The names of several eminent sailors already adorn this trophy; this is your chance to join sailing royalty!

8) 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.

9) INSURANCE

- a) By participating in these events each entrant warrants that he/she is covered by a valid third-party liability insurance policy with a minimum cover of \$5,000,000.

10) FURTHER INFORMATION

- a) For further information please contact Paul Armstrong at:

paularmstrong@optusnet.com.au

0413 071 650

