



2017-18

**Cherub New South Wales
State Championship
Notice of Race**

1. Organising Authority

1.1 The 2017-18 Cherub New South Wales State Championship will be organised by the Sailing Clubs listed below, in association with the Cherub Association of New South Wales.

- Abbotsford 12ft Sailing Club
- Belmont 16ft Skiff Club
- Drummoyne Sailing Club
- Lane Cove 12ft Sailing Skiff Club
- Vaucluse Amateur 12ft Sailing Club
- Saratoga Sailing Club

2. Rules

2.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the current World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing. These include:

- This Notice of Race,
- The Sailing Instructions,
- The prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing,
- The Cherub National Council of Australia Constitution, By-law 2 of that constitution and the Rules and Restrictions of the CNCA,
- The Cherub Association of NSW Constitution and By-laws.

2.2 Harbour control regulations laid down by the Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) will apply to all rounds held on Sydney harbour.

2.3 Penalties, as described in RRS 44 will apply, except that rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, involving one tack and one gybe, is required.

3. Schedule of Events

3.1 The State Championship will be held at the locations on the dates listed below:

Round	Race	Date	Time	Event	Venue and Host Club
1		21 st October 2017	1200hrs	Regatta Briefing	Abbotsford 12ft SC
	1 & 2	21 st October 2017	1400 hrs - (2 short races)	Racing	Abbotsford 12ft SC
	3	22 nd October 2017	1400 hrs - (1 long race)	Racing	Drummoyne SC

Round	Race	Date	Time	Event	Venue and Host Club
2	4 & 5	25 th November 2017	1400 hrs - (2 short races)	Racing	Belmont 16ft SC
	6	26 th November 2017	1400 hrs - (1 long race)	Racing	Belmont 16ft SC
3	7	10 th February 2018	1400 hrs - (1 long race)	Racing	Lane Cove 12ft SSC
	8 & 9	11 th February 2018	1400 hrs - (2 short races)	Racing	Vaucluse A12ftSC
4	10 & 11	10 th March 2018	1400 hrs - (2 short races)	Racing	Saratoga SC
		10 th March 2018	As soon as practical after racing	AGM	Saratoga SC
	12	11 th March 2018	1300 hrs - (1 long race)	Racing	Saratoga SC
		11 th March 2018	As soon as practical after racing	Presentation	Saratoga SC

4. Entry

- 4.1 Eligible boats shall enter online via trybooking <https://www.trybooking.com/RNPQ>
- 4.2 Championship entries (all rounds) close at mid-night on Friday 20th October 2017.
- 4.3 Individual round entries close at 1200hrs on the day of the event.
- 4.4 A completed entry form and relevant payment is classified as a valid entry

5. Advertising

- 5.1 Boats may be required to display bow numbers and / or advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.
- 5.2 The Organising Authority reserves the right to refuse advertising by a boat or competitor when it is in conflict with the laws of the New South Wales and / or Australian governments.

6. Eligibility

- 6.1 The regatta is open to all yachts of the Cherub class, which are currently registered with the NSW Cherub Association.
- 6.2 All competitors must be financial members of Australian Sailing, and a Club affiliated with Australian Sailing.
- 6.3 Once registered, boats may be eligible for the following trophies:

- Open: Best placed boat at the completion of the championship series.
- Junior: Best placed skipper under the age of 21 and over the age of 18 on the 1st of December in the season of the championship.
- Cadet: Best placed skipper under the age of 18 on the 1st of December in the season of the championship.
- Handicap: Best placed boat on handicap at the completion of the championship.

Eligibility for these trophies should be noted in the space provided on the entry form.

7. Fees and Measurement

- 7.1 Championship entry (all rounds) \$120.00
- 7.2 Individual round entry \$40.00 per round
- 7.3 All boats, equipment and sails shall be submitted for measurement and weighing at the time of equipment registration. Measurement will be at the discretion of the Technical Officer of the Cherub Association of NSW. Only after the boat has successfully completed the measurement process, or been deemed to measure by the Technical Officer, will its entry be finalised, allowing it to compete.
- 7.4 Further measurement checks may be performed during the championship at the technical officers' discretion.

8. Sailing Instructions

- 8.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available from the Cherub website. Racing areas, changes to course, mark descriptions and any other provision that is applicable to a particular venue will be posted as a Notice to Competitors prior to the start of the first race at that venue.

9. Format and Courses

- 9.1 Short Race Format
The short race format will consist of races with a target time of approx 45 minutes duration per race. The races will be sailed back to back, on expiry of the earlier, the time limit or the last finisher.
- 9.2 Long Race Format
The long race will consist of one race with a target time of approx 90 minutes duration.
- 9.3 Courses shall be described in the Sailing Instructions.

10. Schedule

- 10.1 The schedule of races will be set out in the Sailing Instructions.

11. Limitation to Equipment

- 11.1 During any one Round a boat shall use one set of equipment only, including one set of sails.
- 11.2 Any request for replacement of damaged equipment shall be made in writing and must receive the approval of the race committee.

12. Scoring

- 12.1 Twelve (12) races are scheduled for the Championship
- 12.2 Six (6) races are required to constitute a series.
- 12.3 When six or fewer races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 12.4 When from seven to nine races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score
- 12.5 When ten or more races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- 12.6 All Division prizes will be awarded based on the ranking of competitors in the overall results.

13. Support Vessels

- 13.1 Support vessels shall be at least 50 metres from any boat which is racing. Such a vessel may only approach a boat inside this distance, with the Race committee's approval.
- 13.2 There shall be no communication between support vessels and boats from the time of the Preparatory Signal of a race until the competitor has finished in that race.
- 13.3 The Race Committee may protest boats associated with a support vessel that does not comply with this Notice of Race condition and the relevant Sailing Instruction.
- 13.4 The Protest Committee may disqualify or impose a scoring penalty to any boats associated with an infringing vessel.

14. Risk Warning

- 14.1 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 significant 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 participants may fall or be thrown overboard, resulting in drowning.
- The possibility that participants may be injured by equipment on 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.

The Cherub Association of NSW, Abbotsford 12ft Sailing Club, Belmont 16ft Skiff Club, Drummoyne Sailing Club, Lane Cove 12ft Sailing Skiff Club, Vaucluse Amateur 12ft Sailing Club, Saratoga Sailing Club and the NSW Roads and Maritime Service also warn participants that regardless of their best intentions, they may be unable to render assistance to participants who are in distress. Participants are warned to consider the

above risks and all other risks before deciding to participate in any sailing event with the Host Clubs and the Association.

Any participant who considers they have a need for insurance must make their own private arrangements with an insurer.

15. DISCLAIMER

It is the responsibility of owners and skippers to ensure that each boat nominated on the entry form complies with the 'rules' as defined in the RRS.

All competitors who complete the entry form, in doing so, have made a declaration to the Organising Authority that the nominated boat will, at all times while racing, comply with the requirements of Australian Sailing, the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, including:

(a) RRS46 and it is the responsibility of the person in charge of the boat to ensure that the crew complies with RRS 56;

(b) The Australian Sailing Special Regulations;

(c) Adequate current Third Party Property Liability Insurance and Third Party Personal Liability cover of not less than \$10,000,000 (ten million dollars) for anyone incident. All insurance shall be maintained during the period of racing;

(d) The Organising Authority is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment

(e) The person who completes and lodges the entry form with the Organising Authority, warranting to the Organising Authority that he or she will draw to the attention of any person who competes on the yacht, the subject of the entry form in any event conducted by the Organising Authority of the risk warning above; and

(f) The person who completes and lodges this entry form with the Organising Authority, acknowledging receipt of the risk warning above and releasing the Organising Authority from any claim or liability whatsoever for any harm or personal injury suffered by him, or by any person claiming through him, in any event conducted by the Organising Authority.

(g) All those taking part in these races do so at their own risk and responsibility. Specific attention is drawn to RRS4, which states; "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone". The Cherub Association of New South Wales, Abbotsford 12ft Sailing Club, Belmont 16ft Skiff Club, Drummoyne Sailing Club, Lane Cove 12ft Sailing Skiff Club, Saratoga Sailing Club, Vaucluse Amateur 12ft Sailing Club, Race Committee and other race officials are not responsible for any damage or injury, either afloat or ashore prior to, during or after the event.

16. Insurance

16.1 All helmspersons and/or boat owners shall have third party insurance cover of not less than AUD\$10,000,000 or equivalent thereof in any other currency for any accident. All owners/competitors who complete the Entry Form are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover.

16.2 Competitors may be required to produce evidence of such insurance and any competitor not holding this cover shall withdraw their entry.

17. Right to Use Name and Likeness

17.1 In participating in the event, a competitor automatically grants to the organising authority, and the sponsors of the event, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television, digital images and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition for the said event in which the competitor participates and in all material related to the said event without compensation.

18. Replacement of Crew or Equipment

18.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee. Under no circumstances will a crew change be permitted to suit weather conditions.

18.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee in writing at the first reasonable opportunity.

19. Prizes

19.1 Prizes shall be awarded as follows:

- Open Championship: 1st, 2nd, 3rd
- Junior: 1st
- Cadet: 1st

Perpetual trophies will also be awarded to the first overall in Open, and Handicap.

Further prizes may also be awarded at the discretion of the Association.

20. Further Information

For further information please contact Race Secretary:

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