



RS Aero Class Intergalactic

Championship 2022

Saturday 2nd – Sunday 3rd April 2022

Organising Authority

Bay Sailing Centre

**NOTICE OF
RACE**

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. The Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 (Off the Beach Boats) will apply.
- 1.3. Appendix "T" of the Racing Rules of Sailing will apply.
- 1.4. Rules 35 and appendix "A" of the Racing Rules of Sailing is changed to allow boats finishing outside the time limit to be awarded a position in the race in accordance with their observed position on the course.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1. All competitors shall comply with the ISAF Advertising Code – Regulation 20.

3. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta is open to competitors who are current members of a Club affiliated with Australian Sailing, and the RS Aero Association.
- 3.2. Entries close at 1700hrs Monday 28th March 2022. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority.
- 3.3. Entries are to be submitted on-line at the event webpage – <https://baysailingcentre.com.au/regattas/rs-aero-2022/>
- 3.4. A parent/guardian consent is a requirement of entry for any competitor aged under 18 yrs on the first day of the event.

4. ENTRY FEES

- 4.1. The entry fee per boat is \$110 (incl GST)

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Date of Event	Event	Location	Time
Saturday, 2 nd April 2022	Registration	Bay Sailing Centre	0830-0930 hrs
	Competitor Briefing		0930 hrs
	First Warning Signal	Port Stephens	From 1055 hrs
	Post Race BBQ	Bay Sailing Centre	ASAP after racing
Sunday, 3 rd April 2022	First Warning Signal	Port Stephens	From 1025 hrs
	Presentation of Prizes	Bay Sailing Centre	ASAP after racing

- 5.1. A maximum of 6 races are scheduled for the Championship.

6. MEASUREMENT

- 6.1. All boats and equipment shall comply with current class measurement rules and restrictions.
- 6.2. The Organising Authority reserves the right to inspect any boat, its measurement certificate if applicable and equipment at any time during the regatta.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available on the event webpage from 1200 hrs on the Monday prior to racing.

8. VENUE

- 8.1. The regatta will be held at Bay Sailing Centre: 147b Seaview Cres, Soldiers Point NSW 2317
- 8.2. Boats are not to be rigged at the Bay Sailing Centre. The parks Goerge Reserve and Kanagaroo Point Reserve (as illustrated in NOR 17) will be made available for boat storage and rigging instead. Both parks are equipped with amenities and freshwater taps.

9. RACE AREA

- 9.1. The race area will be on the waters of Port Stephens adjacent to the Bay Sailing Centre.

10. SCORING

- 10.1. Three (3) races are required to constitute a series
- 10.2. When fewer than five (5) races have been completed a boats series score will be the total of their race scores.
- 10.3. When five (5) or more races have been completed a boats series score will be the total of their scores excluding their worst score

11. SUPPORT BOATS & OFFICIAL BOATS

- 11.1. Coach / Support boats will be required to register with Bay Sailing Centre race office at registration.
- 11.2. Each coach/support boat is required to have the appropriate current insurance for their vessel, the Support boat driver must have a current boat driver's license. The boat shall carry all safety equipment required to comply with local NSW maritime regulations and be equipped with a working VHF equipment.
- 11.3. Coach / Support boats will be available to assist the Race Committee when requested.

12. DIVISIONS (Rig sizes)

- 12.1. Three boats will be required to constitute a division. The race committee will decide, based on conditions and fleet size, whether to start divisions together or separately.

13. PRIZES

- 13.1. Prizes will be awarded to boats finishing 1st to 3rd on scratch and others at the discretion of the OA.

14. INSURANCE

- 14.1. It is a condition of entry that each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10 million.

15. RISK WARNING

- 15.1. This RISK WARNING is issued jointly by the Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club and the Bay Sailing Centre (herein referred to as NCYC and NSW Maritime, pursuant to the Civil Liability Act 2002 to all persons wishing to participate in the sailing activities conducted by Yachting NSW.
- 15.2. 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.
- 15.3. As an indication, these risks may include, but are not limited to:
 - 15.3.1. The extremes of weather and sea conditions.
 - 15.3.2. The potential for the loss of control of vessels, resulting in collision with objects and other vessels.
 - 15.3.3. The sudden movement of the vessel at any time and the possibility that participants may fall or be thrown overboard, resulting in drowning.
 - 15.3.4. The possibility that participants may be injured by equipment on the vessel.
 - 15.3.5. The absence of immediate medical care and the likelihood that significant delays may occur before medical care is available.
 - 15.3.6. Exposure to the elements for extended periods.
- 15.4. NCYC and NSW Maritime 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 Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club.
- 15.5. Participants are also advised that although NCYC is covered by third party liability insurance, this cover DOES NOT extend to participants. 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 accident insurance cover.

16. DISCLAIMER

- 16.1. 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.
- 16.2. All competitors who sign 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) RRS 46 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 any one 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 signs 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 signs and lodges this entry form with the Organising Authority, acknowledges 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 RRS 4 which states; "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is theirs alone". NCYC, the 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.

17. FURTHER INFORMATION

Boat parks are provided at George reserve and Kangaroo Point reserve as illustrated below. We request that no boats base at the Bay Sailing Centre to minimise the impact on the driveway and parking for the Café.

