



NOTICE of RACE

For the
41st 125 CLASS
NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
2017-2018

The 125 Association- New South Wales Division and the
Gosford Sailing Club
Invites entries to race
on Brisbane Water
December 29th 2017 to January 4th 2018



The Organising Authority for this Series is the Gosford Sailing Club.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Championship shall be governed by the rules as defined in the 2017 – 2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) of World Sailing (WS), Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) and the current class rules of the 125 Class where applicable, all as modified by the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 Protest mediation hearings may be conducted as outlined in the Sailing instructions.
- 1.3 If there is conflict between any of the rules or regulations, other than RRS, the Sailing Instructions will prevail.

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 The Organising Authority may require all participating boats to display the event sponsor's advertising in accordance with WS Regulation 20.4.1

3 ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 The Championship is open to all eligible boats of the 125 Class.
- 3.2 All competitors shall be financial members of the 125 Class Association and a Yacht Club affiliated with AS.
- 3.3 Late entries may be accepted until the close of registration at 1030 hours on Saturday 30th December 2017 with an additional late fee.
- 3.4 Divisions: Open - 1 Nominated Skipper and 1 nominated crew includes spinnakers
Family – 1 nominated Skipper, up to 3 nominated crew (non-Spinnaker).
Minimum of 3 entries are required to make this division.

4 ENTRY AND FEES

- 4.1 Entry Fee for lodgement \$320.00 per boat. Entry fee includes the welcome and presentation dinners.
- 4.2 Boats may enter on the attached Entry Form which should be lodged with Regatta Coordinator Les Kemp by 1700 hours on Saturday the 30th November 2017 with the required fee and a copy of the boats measurement certificate posted to:

125 Association NSW Division
85 Pennant Parade Epping
NSW 2121
Or email: leskemp@bigpond.net.au

- 4.3 Late entry fee \$350.00 Includes welcome and presentation dinners.

5 THE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

5.1 The National Championships will consist of Nine (9) races scheduled over Five (5) days of racing.

5.2 The events are scheduled for:

Day and Date	Time	EVENT
Friday 29 th December 2017	0900 - 1600	Registration and measurement checks (GSC boat park).
Saturday 30 th December 2017	0900 – 1100 1130 1245 1430	Registration and measurement checks. Competitors Meeting. Invitation Race Warning Signal. Race 1 warning signal.
Sunday 31 st December	Warning signal not before 1400	Races 2 and 3 (Brisbane Water course area). Complimentary sausage sizzle after racing.
Monday 1 st January	NEW YEARS DAY	Lay Day.
Tuesday 2 nd January	Warning signal not before 1400	Races 4 and 5 (Brisbane Water course area). Complimentary sausage sizzle after racing.
Wednesday 3 rd January	Warning signal not before 1400	Races 6 and 7 (Brisbane Water course area). Complimentary sausage sizzle after racing.
Thursday 4 th January	Warning signal not before 1300 1540 1900	Races 8 and 9 (Brisbane Water course area). Last Warning Signal 7pm. Presentation Dinner

5.3 The Race Committee may alter the schedule and number of races sailed at any time but will only advance the Championship by not more than one (1) race per day.

5.4 No warning signal will be made after 1540hrs on Thursday 4th January.

6 REGISTRATION AND MEASUREMENT

6.1 Eligible boats shall register with the Organising Authority at the GSC.

6.2 Each boat must conform to 125 Class rules. A measurer may check any items deemed necessary.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

7.1 Sailing Instructions will be available on the GCS website on the Friday prior to the first scheduled race or upon registration at the Gosford Sailing Club.

8 RACING AREA

8.1 The races will be conducted on Brisbane Waters off Gosford Sailing Club. Competitors are advised that the water north of the cardinal mark at Point Frederick is extremely shallow.

9 COURSES

9.1 Race courses will be Triangle and Windward/Leeward configuration all as described in the Sailing Instructions.

10 SCORING

10.1 The Low points score system will be used as described in RRS appendix A,

10.2 Nine (9) races are scheduled of which three (3) completed races are required to constitute the Championship.

10.3 Each boat's score will be the total of her race scores with the following discards applied depending on the number of races completed. If only 5 races are completed there shall be no discards. If 6 or 7 races are completed there shall be one discard. If 8 or more races are completed there shall be 2 discards.

11 PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1 The penalty for breaking a rule of part 2 shall be a One Turn Penalty except that for infringements within the Zone, as defined in the RRS, shall be a Two Turns Penalty. This changes RRS 44.1

12 PROTEST COMMITTEE

12.1 The Championship shall have a Protest committee which will be appointed by the Organising Authority.

13 SUPPORT BOATS

13.1 Team leaders, coaches, other support personnel and support boats shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the warning signal until all boats have finished or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. Specific coach and support boat instructions will be stated in the Sailing Instructions.

13.2 Support boats must be registered with the Organising Authority and may be marked with identifying flags issued by the Organising Authority.

14 OFFICIAL BOATS

14.1 Official Boats shall display the Gosford Sailing Burgee.

15 ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

15.1 Except for a GPS receiver, the use of mobile/cell phones or any device capable of sending and/or receiving external electronic communication and/or connecting to the internet is prohibited after the first Warning Signal (or any other time considered appropriate by the Organising Authority) on each race day until the boat has completed its days racing, except in an emergency threatening the safety of any member of the crew or the flotation of the boat or with the express permission of the International Jury or the Race Committee.

16 ENTRY DISCAMER AND RISK WARNING

16.1 It is the competitor's decision to enter the event or to start and continue in any race.

Competitors shall accept that their participation in the Event is at their exclusive risk in every respect. By way of entry in the Event competitors must indemnify the Organising Authority their officers, members, staff and agents in respect to all claims and demands of whatever nature which may be made upon them in connection with or howsoever arising from their participation or intended participation in the Event.

16.2 This RISK WARNING is issued jointly by Gosford Sailing Club and NSW Maritime, pursuant to the Civil Liability Act 2002 to all persons wishing to participate in the sailing activities conducted by Gosford Sailing Club.

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.

Gosford Sailing Club 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 Gosford Sailing Club.

Participants are also advised that although Gosford Sailing Club 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 Yachting NSW entitles you to personal accident insurance cover.

17 INSURANCE

17.1 All yachts competing in the Regatta are required to carry current Third Party Personal and Property Liability Insurance cover of a minimum recommended AUD \$10,000,000 or equivalent thereof in any other currency for any one accident.

17.2 All owners/competitors who sign the Entry Form are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover. Competitors must produce evidence of such insurance at registration.

17.3 Each Skipper and/or co-skipper is liable for any third-party property and personal injury claims.

18 PRIZES

18.1 Trophies will include:

Championship 1st – 6 th place. Perpetual trophy for the winning boat
Family Division Champion
Masters Champion
Junior Champion
1st Lady Skipper

18.2 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

19 SUPPORT BOAT BERTHS AND TRAILOR PARKING

19.1 The Gosford Sailing Club will provide berths without charge to all competitors support and support boats.

19.2 For Marina berthing outside the Regatta dates please contact the GSC Marina Manager Peter Walsh for bookings.

19.3 Trailers maybe stored at the Southern end of the Park at the GSC.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact:

Regatta Coordinator:

Les Kemp - Mobile 0408 100 361

Email: leskemp@bigpond.net.au

NSW Division Secretary:

John Bakker – 0417 638 833

NSW Class Measurer:

Doug Blackstock – 0412 778 864

GSC Sailing Manager:

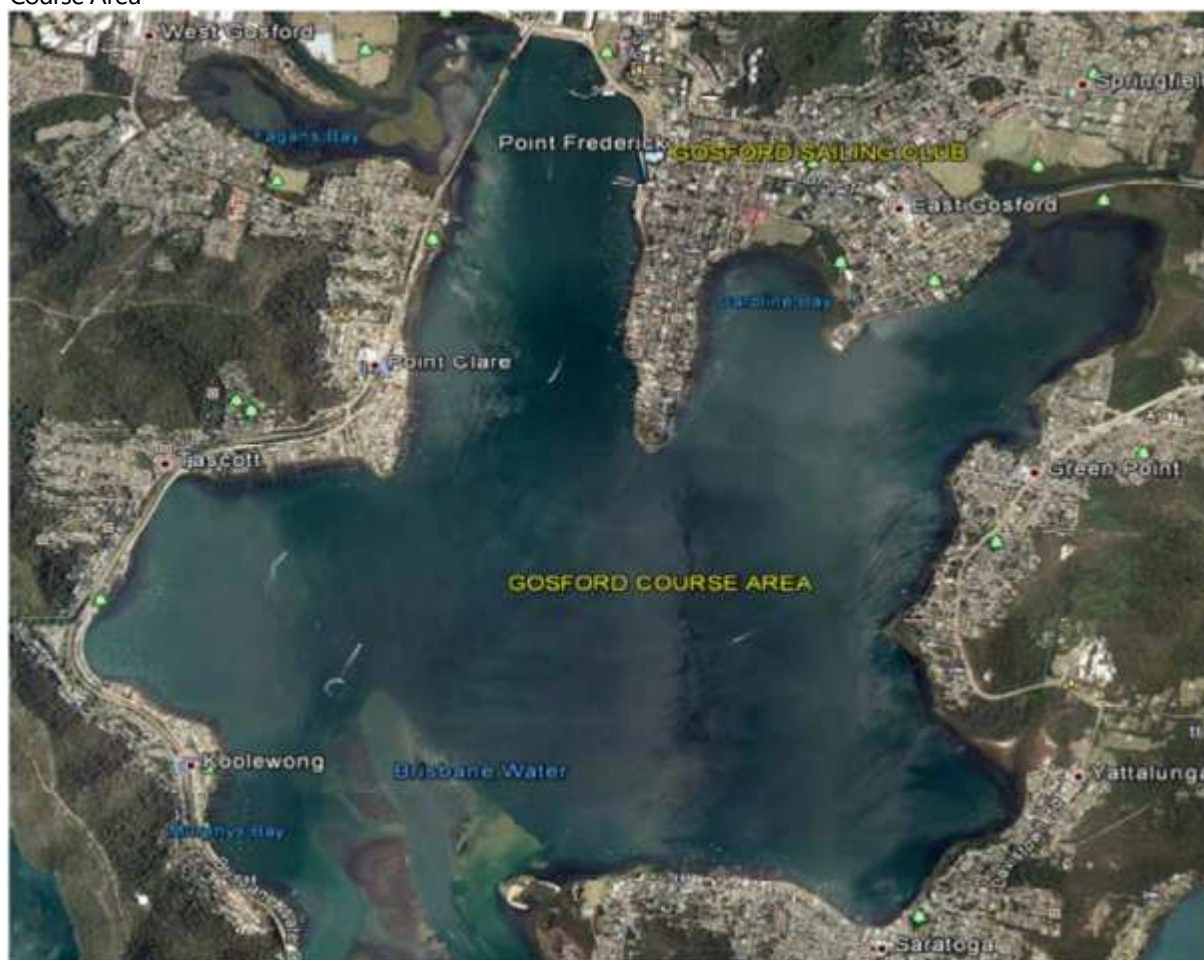
Peter Walsh - 0448 257 216



Appendix A

OTHER REGATTA INFORMATION For the 125 CLASS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS on 29th December 2017 to 4th January 2018

Course Area



SOCIAL EVENTS AND CATERING:

The Club Boat Shed Bar will be open from 0930 for breakfast and lunches on all days of the Regatta

A Free Sailors Sausage Sizzle BBQ will be available after sailing on each day of the Regatta

CLUB MEMBERSHIP:

Temporary Membership of the Gosford Sailing Club has been extended to all visiting sailors during the Championship.

ACCOMMODATION:

There are a number of Motels in Gosford, but please book early, since they are frequently booked for functions. These are relatively close to the Gosford Sailing Club:

Ibis Hotel - 02 43257692

Gosford Palms Motor Inn -02 4323-1211

Galaxy Motel -02 4323-1711

Gosford Best Western Motel -02 4323-1333

Hotel Gosford - 024324-1634

Quality Inn (The Willows) -02 4328-4666

Bermuda Motor Inn -024324366