



# Notice of Race

The Adelaide Etchells Fleet presents

## The 2019-20 South Australian Etchells State Championships

Conducted in conjunction with

The Royal South Australian Yacht Squadron, the Organising Authority.

**21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> of March 2020**



## 1 RULES

- 1.1 The Championship will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2017 – 2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) as modified by the sailing instructions.
- 1.2 The rules and regulations of the International Etchells Class Association shall apply except as altered by the Sailing Instructions or this Notice of Race.
- 1.3 This is a Class C Event as sanctioned by the International Etchells Class Association
- 1.4 The Special Regulations of Australian Sailing Part 1 Category 7 shall apply.
- 1.5 The Prescriptions of Australian Sailing shall apply

## 2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 In accordance with Etchells Class Rules and WS (World Sailing) Regulation 20.5.1, no advertising shall be displayed pursuant to WS Regulation 20.3.2 (advertising chosen by the person in charge on sails, spars and hulls). 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 All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of the International Etchells Class and shall comply with the WS Eligibility Code, Regulation 19.
- 3.2 Each crew member of each boat will be weighed between 9.00 and 1000 hours on Saturday the 21<sup>st</sup> of March to ensure compliance with One Design Rule (OD Rule) C.2.2.
- 3.3 Crews that fail to make the weight limit by the close of registration will be ineligible to compete.
- 3.4 Any crew substitutes for Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> or Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> of March, 2020 must be weighed before the first race of that day.
- 3.5 All helmsmen and crew shall be financial members of the International Etchells Class Association and shall conform to RRS 55 and RRS 56 prior to registration. Please go to the Member's area at [www.etchells.org.au](http://www.etchells.org.au) to pay your subscription.

## 4 ENTRIES

- 4.1 Entries shall be made using the RSAYS ONLINE ENTRY SYSTEM
- 4.2 Entries shall be accompanied by entry Fee of \$150 for a three person crew or \$175 for a four person crew.
- 4.3 Entries are to be received by 1800 hours on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020.

## 5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

5.1 The State Championships will consist of Six (6) races scheduled over two (2) days of racing.

5.2 The events are scheduled for:

DATE	TIME	EVENT
21 <sup>st</sup> March	0930	Registration
	1030	Competitors Meeting
	1155	Race 1 warning Signal
		Race 2 ASAP after race 1
		Race 3 ASAP after race 2
22 <sup>nd</sup> March	1155	Race 4 warning signal
		Race 5 ASAP after race 4
		Race 6 ASAP after race 5
		Presentation ASAP after racing

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 1500hrs on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> of March.

## 6 REGISTRATION AND MEASUREMENT

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

6.2 Boats will not be measured for these Championships however entrants shall present a current Measurement Certificate, evidence of current insurance as per Clause 16, and Sail Measurement Certificate during registration.

6.3 Sails to be nominated for use in the regatta must be marked on the copy of the Sail Measurement Card presented at registration.

6.4 All registration formalities, including payment of all Class and event fees, crew weigh-in and presentation of required Certificates, are required to be completed by 1800 hours on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> of March 2020.

## 7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

7.1 Sailing Instructions will be available on Wednesday prior to the first scheduled race or upon registration at the RSAYS.

## 8 RACING AREA

8.1 The races will be conducted on the gulf of St Vincent racing area A .

## 9 COURSES

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

## 10 PENALTY SYSTEM

10.1 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.

10.2 A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under RRS 31 or 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgement form at the race office within the protest time limit.

## 11 SCORING

11.1 The Low points score system as described in appendix A, A4.1 RRS 2017-2020.

11.2 Six (6) races are scheduled of which four (4) completed races are required to constitute the Championship.

11.3 When five (5) or more races are sailed and completed then a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This amends RRS Appendix A2.

## 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 first warning signal of the day until racing has been concluded for the day. 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 shall be marked with identifying numeral flags issued by the Organising Authority.

13.3 Competitors shall have no communication with, and boats shall not be tied to, coach or support boats from the first Warning Signal (or any other time the Organising Authority considers appropriate) of the day until racing has been concluded for the day. Between races, coach and support boats shall not approach, communicate with or transfer provisions or equipment to or from their supported boats unless in a medical or emergency requirement threatening the health of the crew or the flotation of the boat and only with the expressed permission of the Race Committee.

## 14 HAUL-OUT RESRICTIONS

- 14.1 All boats shall be afloat by 1000 hours on Saturday the 21st of March and shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Organising Authority.
- 14.2 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used once boats are afloat until the conclusion of the regatta.

## 15 ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

- 15.1 This supplements but does not change RRS 2 and 41 for the IECA. All boats must carry a marine band VHF receiver capable of receiving normal international channels. Boats must use the radio to report retirement from racing and may use the radio to request assistance in an emergency. No other transmissions are permitted by competing yachts during each racing day from the first Warning Signal until the end of the last race of the day.
- 15.2 The Race Committee may use the radio to advise competitors of race information.
- 15.3 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 as provided in clause 15.1 or in an emergency threatening the safety of any member of the crew or the flotation of the boat and only 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 The Adelaide Etchells Fleet and The Royal South Australian Yacht Squadron. 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 Adelaide Etchells Fleet and The Royal South Australian Yacht Squadron 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 Royal South Australian Yacht Squadron.

Participants are also advised that although The Royal South Australian Yacht Squadron 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.

## 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 The SA State Championship Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner.
- 18.2. Prizes will also be awarded to First, Second and Third Overall.
- 18.3. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

## 19 YACHT BERTHS AND TRAILER PARKING

- 19.1 The Royal South Australian Yacht Squadron will provide berths without charge to all competing yachts and support boats.
- 19.2 For Marina berthing outside the Regatta dates please contact the RSAYS Boating Officer for bookings
- 19.3 Trailers maybe stored at the RSAYS.

## 20 MEDIA

20.1 By lodging an entry, all competitors, including owners, gives absolute right and permission for any photographs and/or video footage of their boat and crew to be published in any media stream for any editorial, publicity or advertising purposes.

## 21 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact:

RSAYS Boating Officer – Adam South 0450 946 586

Adelaide Fleet Captain - David Royle 0409 191 121