



2nd Australian Weta Class National Championship.

28th December 2021 -2nd January 2022

Notice of Race

Organized and Hosted by
Port Kembla Sailing Club

On Behalf of
The Australian Weta Class Association Inc.

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority is the Port Kembla Sailing Club (PKSC) in conjunction with the Australian Weta Class Association Inc.

2. RULES

- 2.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024.
- 2.2. Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 Off the Beach Boats will apply.
- 2.3. The Class rules of the Australian Weta Class Association Inc will apply
- 2.4. Appendix T, Arbitration, will be available at this event

3. ADVERTISING

1. 3.1. The Organising Authority reserves the right to refuse advertising by any boat, if it is considered offensive to public taste or if it contravenes the laws of the governments of New South Wales or Australia.
2. 3.2. Boats may be required to display event advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies (DP).

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The Regatta is open to all Weta 4.4 class boats.
- 4.2. Eligible boats must submit entries and payment via the AWCA online Revsport registration system <https://www.revolutionise.com.au/awca/events/106873/> . Entries will open on 1 October, 2021.
- 4.3. Late entries will be accepted up until 15/12/2021 with payment of the late entry fee (refer fees 5.2).
- 4.4 Competitors must be a current financial member of the AWCA Inc, and a financial member of a Yacht Club affiliated with Australian Sailing.
- 4.5. Ancient Mariner – the Skipper must be not less than 70 years of age at 29th December 2021.
- 4.6 In the event of dispute or protest it is the sole discretion of the Organising Authority to determine a boats eligibility to compete.
- 4.7 Two up entries need to register and pay for additional meals if required for crew

5. FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee for the regatta is \$220.00 if received by 15/12/2021. Competitors under the age of 18 - \$170.00
- 5.2 A late entry fee of \$40.00 will apply for all entries received after 15/12/2021. Late bookings may be made at the PKSC Clubhouse on Tuesday 28/12/21.
- 5.3 Fees will include an Welcome Sausage Sizzle and Presentation Function.

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

6.1. Up to Ten Races are scheduled. A variety of courses may be set including one long race and competitors should carefully read the Sailing instructions. If a long race is set it will be the only race for that session and will reduce the number of races overall to a maximum of Eight.

6.2. It is anticipated that one Invitation/practice race will be sailed on Tuesday 28.12.2021.

6.3. The Race Committee may elect to change the start time of the following day's racing. A notice advising any such change will be posted no later than 1800 hours on the preceding day.

Day	Date	Time (AEDT)	Event	Comments
Tuesday	28.12.21	0900-1200	Registration	
Tuesday	28.12.21	1230	Regatta Briefing	
Tuesday	28.12.21	1400	Invitation Race	Sausage sizzle after racing.
Wednesday	29.12.21	1200	Race day Session 1	
Thursday	30.12.21	1200	Race day Session 2	Long race
Friday	31.12.21	1200	Race day Session 3	
Saturday	01.01.22	Lay day		
Sunday	02.01.22	1200	Race Day session 4	
Sunday	02.01.22	After racing		Presentation function

7. MEASUREMENT

7.1. All boats must comply with AWCA Class Rules and have an appropriate registration plaque attached. The Class measurers will be in attendance to carry out spot checks and to assist with advice on what is class legal.

7.2. All boats may be subject to a measurement check at any time.

7.3. Only one set of sails as defined in the AWCA Class Rules (1 main, 1 jib and 1 gennaker), may be used during the series. (Sails to registered with a Class Measurer/Representative prior to Race Day Session 1)

7.4. Applications may be made in writing to the race committee to replace damaged sails or equipment.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available emailed to all registered entrants one week prior to the event. Copies will be available the regatta office at Port Kembla Sailing Club and will be available on the AWCA website <https://www.revolutionise.com.au/awca/home/>

9. VENUE

The regatta site will be Port Kembla Sailing Club (PKSC) and the racing area shall be the waters of Lake Illawarra.

10. THE COURSES

The courses will be sailed as described in the Sailing Instructions. It is proposed that a variety of courses will be used, and competitors should carefully familiarise themselves with these courses and course flags.

11. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

11.1 The official notice board shall be located in the PKSC club house. Notices may also be posted on Facebook and website however the official Notice Board takes priority.

12. SCORING

12.1. The low point scoring system of Appendix A shall apply.

12.2. Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

12.3. When Five races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.

12.4. When six to seven races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her scores excluding her worst score:

12.5. When eight or more races have been completed a boat series score will be the total of her scores excluding her two worst scores.

13. RADIO COMMUNICATION

14.1. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

14. PRIZES

14.1. Prizes shall be awarded as follows:

- Scratch One Up First Place: Perpetual Trophy and First Placed Trophy.
- Scratch One up Second and third Place: Skipper Trophy.
- Scratch Two-up First: Perpetual Trophy and Skipper/crew Trophy.
- Scratch Two up Second and third place: Skipper/crew Trophy (depending on numbers)
- Performance Handicap one up 1st, 2nd and 3rd
- Performance Handicap two up 1st, 2nd and 3rd (depending on numbers)
- Ancient Mariner Prize for first over 70 skipper.
- Ladies Prize for first lady
- Pickle Fork Award (by nomination)
- State teams trophy (details to be provided in SI)
- Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organisers

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The Organising 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.

16. INSURANCE

Each competitor shall be insured with valid third party insurance with a minimum cover of AUD\$10,000,000 per incident or equivalent. Entering this event confirms currency of this insurance.

17. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

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

18. REGATTA PHOTOGRAPHER

The Organisers reserve the right to engage a professional photographer to cover the event. All rights to the intellectual rights of the photographer's work must be respected.

19. CHANGES TO THE NOTICE OF RACE

Any changes to this Notice of Race will be published on the AWCA website <https://www.revolutionise.com.au/awca/home/>.

21. FURTHER INFORMATION

AWCA contact : Hamish Urquart: hamishurquhart48@gmail.com

PKSC contact : Ian Richardson: oc26douglas@gmail.com

Limited camping is available at the club during the series only. This will be an option on the entry form and will cost \$120

Trailer parking is available at the rigging area. Cars must be parked outside once trailers have been dropped off.

Please remember that we are using public beaches and there may be swimmers in the water when we are launching and retrieving our boats.

NOTES REGARDING COVID

- *The event will be run under whatever COVID related legislation is in force at the time in NSW*
- *For planning purposes, it is likely that some rules regarding participation in sport and vaccination status will be in effect. There may also be rules around this regarding border crossings.*
- *To maintain flexibility, no regalia will be included in the registration fee. A link will be provided to order separately if desired*
- *If the event has to be cancelled due to COVID, a full refund will be provided.*