

2023 Mandurah Easter Regatta

7th April to 10th April 2023

NOTICE OF RACE

Organising Authority (OA)

Mandurah Offshore Fishing and Sailing Club Inc.

supported by







Description of event

The Mandurah Easter Regatta is a multi-class Sailing and Coaching Regatta conducted by Mandurah Offshore Fishing and Sailing Club Inc. (MOFSC) on the waters of Comet Bay adjacent to the Mandurah Marina.

On water coaching will be permitted during the regatta by coaches that are registered with their respective classes.

Coaching on Friday 7th April 2023 may be arranged by individual Clubs or Classes for their sailors.

1. Rules

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 All competing yachts shall conform to the requirements of AS Special Regulations Part 2 (Off the Beach Boats).
- 1.3 Safety Inspections by the Organising Authority may be carried out at any time.
- 1.4 It will be the responsibility of all competitors to ensure that personal flotation devices comply with a standard equivalent to those listed in Rule 40 *Personal Flotation Devices*.
- 1.5 Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns penalty is replaced by the One-Turn penalty.
- 1.6 Appendix T Arbitration shall apply.
- 1.7 The racing will be conducted in accordance with Federal and State legislations relating to COVID-19. Competitors are responsible for deciding whether to participate or not, and for compliance with all applicable rules and regulations, including all COVID regulations.
- 1.8 The Organising Authority reserves the right to refuse entry to the regatta.

2. Advertising

- 2.1 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 Western Australia or Australia.
- 2.2 Competitors may be required to display event sponsor's names(s)/logo(s) and affix bow numbers to boats. If required, the Organizing Authority will supply these items and they shall be affixed as prescribed in the Sailing Instructions. Sponsor's bibs will be supplied if required.

3. Eligibility

3.1 The regatta is open to all classes of dinghy. 5 or more dinghies of the same class will constitute a fleet and may include; Optimist Open, Optimist Intermediate, Optimist Bronze Fleet (Green Fleet), Minnow Gold, Minnow Silver, Minnow Bronze, Open Bic Gold, Open Bic Silver, Flying Ant, Laser Standard, Laser Radial, Laser 4.7, 29er, Aero 9, Aero 7, Aero 5, 420, Tasar, International 14, 29er, 29er XS, 49ers and 49FX, Sabre, Shark, Cherub, Javelin, Contender.

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- 3.1.1 If, by the closing date, less than 5 entries are received in any class or category, the OA may change the eligibility requirements, cancel that category or re-allocate or combine entries into a mixed handicap fleet.
- 3.1.2 Dinghies affected will have the option of confirming their entry, or having their entry fee refunded.
- 3.1.3 Where there are sufficient entries, the OA may divide any class or category into further sub-categories.
- 3.2 Classes which are not mentioned above are encouraged to contact the Organising Authority.
- 3.3 Competitors must be financial members of a yacht or sailing club that is affiliated to or recognised by Australian Sailing and must hold a current Australian Sailing number.
- 3.4 No substitute competitors will be allowed unless written approval is obtained from the Race Committee.

4. Entries

- 4.1 Entries must be lodged via the Regatta Revsport online registration process before 1630 on 15th March 2023 accompanied by the entry fee as listed in NOR 8. Click here to register
- 4.2 Late entries (after 15th March 2023) will be accepted via the Regatta website up to 1300, 31st March 2023 if it is accompanied by the required entry fee and the **\$75** late fee.
- 4.3 Entries will not be valid until the fees have been received. All fees are non-refundable.

5. Fees

- 5.1 Double handed classes \$150. Single handed classes \$100 and Junior Skippers \$80.
- 5.2 Late fee is an additional \$75.

6. Programme

6.1 Schedule of Events:

Date	Time	Activity
Friday 7 April 2023	TBA	Pre-Regatta Coaching - Class organised
Saturday 8 April 2023	0800 to 1030	Registration
	1000	Volunteer Briefing, Sundowner Bar
	1115	Competitors Briefing, Hook Cafe
	1300	First Warning Signal
	1800	Volunteer Function, for registered volunteers
Sunday 9 April 2023	1000	Volunteer Briefing
	1200	First Warning Signal
Monday 10 April 2023	0815	Volunteer Briefing
	1000	First Warning Signal

1300	No warning signal shall be made after 1300
1500	Prize Giving Ceremony

- 6.2 The Race Committee intend to sail 3 races a day except on Monday when the intention is to sail 2 races. Additional races may be sailed on Saturday and Sunday.
- 6.3 The Race Committee may elect to change the start time of the following day's racing based on weather forecasts and the various fleet requirements. A notice advising of any such change will be posted on the Regatta Notice Board and the website no later than 1800 on the preceding race day.

7. Measurement

7.1 Section not in use for this regatta.

8. Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available when registering at the Regatta Office at MOFSC and may be posted on the Regatta Notice Board and the website prior to registration.

Website Address: Regattas | MOFSC - Mandurah Offshore Fishing & Sailing Club

9. Regatta Site, Racing Area and Notice Board.

- 9.1 The regatta site shall be the Mandurah Offshore Fishing and Sailing Club and the racing area shall be on Comet Bay. Maps and charts of the area and waters will be available later on the website and in the Sailing Instructions.
- 9.2 The Regatta Office and Regatta Notice Board will be at the Hook Café, ground floor of the MOFSC clubhouse, 115 Breakwater Parade, Mandurah, WA 6210.

10. Courses

The courses shall be triangle, trapezoid and windward/leeward as described in the Sailing Instructions.

11. Penalty System refer NoR 1

12. Scoring

- 12.1 The Low Point scoring system (RRS Appendix A) shall apply.
- 12.2 Eight (8) races are scheduled. Four (4) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.3 When from four (4) to eight (8) races have been completed, one race score will be excluded.
- 12.4 Except as modified by the Sailing Instructions, all division prizes will be awarded based on the rankings of competitors in the over-all results of the applicable class.

13. Prizes

Prizes will be awarded to:

- The first three boats in each fleet with 6 or more boats.
- There will be a separate prize program for Optimist Bronze and Minnow Bronze Fleets.
- Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

14. Coach/Support Boats

- 14.1 Except in cases of emergency and a specific request by the Race Officer, coaches and other support boats shall at all times keep clear of all competitor's whist racing and shall display a green and white flag on their support or coach boat.
- 14.2 Non competitors shall keep clear of the racecourse.

15. Volunteers/Coaches/Support Personnel - Volunteer Thank You

On Saturday the 8th April 2023 at 1800 hours MOFSC will hold a volunteer thank you in the Sundowner Lounge. All volunteers, coaches and support personnel are welcome. These events could not be organised without you. The MOFSC, its partners, sponsors, all the sailors and the parents are grateful for your support. Please email owc@mofsc.com.au to register if you haven't already done so.

16. Radio Communications

- 16.1 MOFSC Race Control operates on VHF channel 72. The call sign is. "Mandurah Tower".
- 16.2 All boats that are able should maintain a listening watch on the above channel.
- 16.3 A boat engaged in competition or coaching, shall neither make radio transmissions while racing is taking place, nor receive radio communications not available to all boats.
- 16.4 Mobile phones or similar devices are prohibited.

17. Disclaimer of Liability

- 17.1 It is the competitor's decision to enter an event or to start and continue in any race. Competitors shall accept that their participation in an Event is at their exclusive risk in every aspect. See Racing Rule 3, Decision to Race.
- 17.2 None of the Organising Authority, their officers, employees, and contractors; members, volunteers, or agents accept any responsibility whatsoever in respect to loss of life, personal injury or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of their participation or intended participation in this event or however arising in connection with the event.

18. Warning

Sailing and activities associated with it involve risks of personal injury, loss and damage and even death. The risks include but are not limited to the risk of injury from collision, capsizing, falling overboard, being trapped under the sail or boat

after capsize and impact with equipment. Any of these events can also result in death.

The risks involved in this activity are heightened by:

- Adverse weather conditions
- Inadequate training
- Fatigue
- Inexperience
- Failure to maintain the boat.
- Failure to supply and use the recommended safety equipment
- Failure to observe the Racing Rules of Sailing or the Sailing Instructions.

This warning is given as a risk warning pursuant to Section 51 of the Civil Liability Act 2002 (as amended). Having given this risk warning, competitors take part in the event entirely at their own risk. Mandurah Offshore Fishing and Sailing Club, its members or representatives will not be held liable for damage or loss of equipment, personal injury, or loss of life, however it may occur.

19. Insurance

- 19.1 All boats competing in the 2023 Mandurah Easter Regatta must have a valid third party insurance policy with a minimum cover of AUD\$10,000,000 whilst racing.
- 19.2 All competitors who submit the Entry Form are deemed to have made declaration that they hold such cover.
- 19.3 Competitors may be required to provide such details and evidence that they have such insurance in place at the time of the entry.

20. Rights to Use Name and Likeness

20.1 By participating in the event, a competitor automatically grants the Organising Authority 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 the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.

21. Changes to Notice of Race

21.1 Any changes to this Notice of Race will be published on the regatta website no later than 17th March 2023. Regattas | MOFSC - Mandurah Offshore Fishing & Sailing Club



22. Further Information

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