



2017 Lower North Island Secondary Schools Teams Racing Championships



25th – 27th March 2017

Notice of Race

The Organising Authority is the:

Evans Bay Yacht and Motor Boat Club Inc (EBYMB)

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1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020 including Appendix D.
- 1.2. The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part 1 shall apply.
- 1.3. The regatta is an invitational event in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.4.3. In addition to the advertising permitted by Category A the following is permitted." Advertising limited to one organization may be displayed on clothing and equipment worn by competitors."
- 1.4. All advertising must be declared prior to registering for the championship and must not conflict at any time with the main sponsors yet to be confirmed.

2. Changes to Racing Rules

- 2.1. The RRS will be changed in accordance with Rule 86 as follows:
A boat suffering a breakdown, and seeking redress as a result shall display a "yellow" flag at the first reasonable opportunity and, if possible continue racing.

3. Changes to Class Rules

- 3.1. The rules of the 420 class will be changed as follows:
Spinnakers and Trapezes will not be permitted and clauses 5.3 and 5.4 also change class rules.

4. Eligibility and Entry

- 4.1. Teams from the Lower North Island inclusive of Taranaki and Hawkes Bay will be invited. Additional teams as well as composite teams from other regions/zones may also be invited.
- 4.2. Teams shall consist of 6 sailors plus 1 or 2 reserves and 1 manager and or coach. All sailing members must be:
 - (a) Full time pupils (Forms 1 to 7 inclusive) of the Secondary School they represent; and
 - (b) Under 19 years of age on 1st January 2017
- 4.3. Weight Limitation. The two members of the crew of each boat must weigh a minimum of 110kg combined body weight. Crews with a combined bodyweight less than 110kg shall make up their weight to 110kg with approved sand filled bottles to be fixed in the boat near the mast step. Team members may be weighed in normal clothing however if a combination is close to or under the weight limit they will be required to weigh in dry sailing gear.
- 4.4. The Entry Fee per team is \$500 payable to the Organising Authority with a completed Entry Form.
- 4.5. Each team shall at the time of entry attach a separate cheque as a refundable damage bond totaling \$500. In the event of a team causing major damage to a boat or boats they may be required to pay an additional damage bond payment if they wish to continue competing in the championship.

5. Boats & Equipment

- 5.1. Each team entering the championship is responsible for the provision of, or charter cost of the 420 boats.
- 5.2. Boats will be 420 boats and will be equalized as far as possible
- 5.3. Competitors shall not modify the boats allocated to them, or cause them to be modified, in any way except that;
 - (a) Yarn or thread may be tied or taped on the boat below a height of 2m above the gunwale line. Mast head wind pennants are prohibited.
 - (b) Hulls, Centreboards, and rudders may be cleaned only with fresh water.
 - (c) Adhesive tape may be used anywhere above the waterline.
 - (d) All fittings or equipment designed to be adjusted may be adjusted, provided the class rules are observed, except the standing rigging including the forestay tension and the main halyard shall not be adjusted. Chocks may only be removed with the approval of the Race Officer or his/her deputy.
 - (e) If all boats are fitted with Cunninghams then these may be adjusted otherwise no adjustment is allowed. The Race Officer will inspect all boats prior to racing.
- 5.4. Boats will be identified by coloured sails or by other coloured means. Boats shall be drawn prior to commencement of racing and be allocated to each team in accordance with a draw that ensures a rotation of boats between teams.

6. Safety

- 6.1. Approved flotation devices in accordance with YNZ Safety Regulations shall be worn at all times while afloat. Normal additional clothing only will be permitted. No clothing or device to increase weight will be permitted.
- 6.2. In addition to the coloured sails all teams are requested to supply their own distinctive racing "bibs" to make teams recognizable on and off the water.

7. Schedule of Events

Date	Time	Event
Saturday 25 March 2017	0830hrs	Registration & Weigh-In
	1000hrs	Racing commences
Sunday 26 March 2017	0900hrs	Racing continues
Monday 27 March 2017	0900hrs	Racing continues (no race will start later than 1500hrs)
		Prize giving to follow racing

8. Sailing Instructions

- 8.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available at the time of Registration & Weigh-In. The Sailing Instructions may also be posted on www.ebymbc.org.nz prior to the event.

9. Course & Venue

- 9.1. The course will be the typical 'S' shape and in the vicinity of the Evans Bay Yacht and Motor Boat Club.
- 9.2. The Racing area is the waters known as Evans Bay.

10. Scoring

- 10.1. Scoring will be in accordance with the current scoring format. The details of the format will be determined by the Race Committee depending on the number of entries and the forecasted weather conditions.
- 10.2. Round Robin series will form the basis of the regatta. The overall prize will be awarded to the team with the most wins raced over the equal number of races
- 10.3. In the event of the regatta not being able to be completed, then the Race Committee in negotiation between itself and the teams' manager/coaches will reach a decision upon the results.

11. Launching

- 12.1 Unless otherwise directed by the Organising Authority, all competing boats and equipment shall be launched and retrieved at the direction of Club representatives from the ramps adjacent to the EBYMBC.

12. Results

- 12.1. The overall winning Secondary School team will be awarded the Championship Trophy.
- 12.2. The results will be forwarded to NZTRA for their information.
- 12.3. All boats must carry a VHF radio transceiver capable of receiving and transmitting VHF channel 62 and 77 and must assist the Race Committee as directed if required.

13. Disclaimer of Liability

- 13.1. Competitors participate in all races entirely at their own risk. Refer to RRS rule 4. The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the race.
- 13.2. Competitors accept that sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor and the responsible adult agrees and acknowledges that:
 - They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
 - They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
 - They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;
 - Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
 - The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
 - The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

14. Rights to use name and Likeness

By participating in the regatta competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority, Host Club, and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.

15. Further Information

For further information please contact:

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Attachment A – Location of Evans Bay Yacht & Motor Boat Club

