

Team Sailing action on the water at Picton

Fourteen Teams of Secondary School Team Sailing will be battling on the waters of Picton Harbour in the coming days with the hope of taking away the top prize in the Top of the South Team Sailing Regatta. The regatta organised by Marlborough Colleges Sailing Club and hosted by Queen Charlotte Yacht Club will see top sailors from Colleges in Marlborough,

Nelson and Christchurch in some fast paced action on the water. The Regatta is a three-day competition which started yesterday. Team Sailing, unlike fleet sailing, requires teams to face off against each other using their boat handling skills and a range of tactics to see their team of three boats across the finish line in a winning combination.

The races are short, around 10 minutes long, with teams sailing a digital S course and using a round robin format. Whilst sailing fast is important, Team Sailing requires great starts and sailors to use "mark traps" and other tactics to help put their team in prime position. This is a great sport to watch from the foreshore of Shelley Beach in Picton.



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