



Snowy Mountains Regatta

(incorporating NSW Taipan State Titles)

LAKE JINDABYNE SAILING CLUB
Friday 4th to Sunday 6th December 2020

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 The races will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 – 2020 (RRS)*.
- 1.2 Competing keel boats / trailable boats shall comply with Category 6 requirements of Part 1 of the AS Special Regulations and 'off the beach boats' shall comply with Part 2 of the AS Special Regulations. Competing yachts shall comply with all their respective Class Rules.

2. ALTERATION TO RACING RULES

- 2.1 For yachts of the International Flying Fifteen class, the RRS, AS Addendum A, Special Regulations, are relaxed to require competing yachts to comply with the Special Regulations, Part 2 – 'Off the Beach' Boats.
- 2.2 Rule A4 "Low Point Scoring System" is changed:
 - 2.2.1 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing.
 - 2.2.2 A boat that passes through the finish line marked by the Committee/Start(C/S) Boat displaying the Blue "on station" flag and the finish mark shall be disqualified (DSQ) unless finishing.

3. ENTRIES

- 3.1 Entries shall be lodged in accordance with NOR Clause 2. Eligible boats shall register before racing on the sign-on sheets at the Clubhouse. Competitors are to ensure that their boat details and name are entered onto the appropriate Division sheets.

4. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 4.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB), which will be situated in the Rescue and Start Boat (RSB) hangar adjacent to the Clubhouse. This will include these SIs as well as the LJSC COVID-19 Plan, which should be read by all visitors to the Club. **All visitors must sign in with their mobile phones using the QR Code or manually sign in the book provided**



5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the start boat while situated at the lake shore and on the club flagpole.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 20 minutes'.



6. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1 Any change to these Sailing Instructions will be posted on the ONB, located in the RSB hangar and will be communicated verbally to competitors by the Principal Race Officer (PRO).

7. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 7.1 Racing is scheduled as follows:

Friday 4 th December 2020	1700	Registration
	1730	Skippers' Briefing
	1755	Warning Signal for Invitation Race
	1800	Start Signal for Invitation Race Division 1
Saturday 5 th December 2020	0900	Registration
	0930	Briefing
	1055	Warning Signal for Race 1, Division 1
	1100	Start Signal for Race 1, Division 1
	To be announced	Warning Signal for Race 2, Division 1
	To be announced	Warning Signal for Race 3, Division 1
Sunday 6 th December 2020	0900	Registration
	0900	Briefing
	1025	Warning Signal for Race 4, Division 1
	1030	Start Signal for Race 4, Division 1
	To be announced	Warning Signal for Race 5, Division 1
	NLT 1400	Warning Signal for Race 6, Division 1
	ASP after Race 6 finish	Presentations

- 7.1 PRO may change the schedule of races as required by conditions on the day.

8. DIVISIONS AND CLASS FLAGS

- 8.1 Taipans

Taipan Class Flag

Division 1

Fast multihulls

Numeral pennant 1

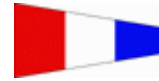




Division 2 Slow multihulls Numeral pennant 2



Division 3 Trailerable & FF15 Numeral pennant 3



Division 4 Monohulls Numeral pennant 4



8.2 The PRO may create, abolish or combine divisions at his discretion based on the number of entries and the mix of classes. A class with six or more competing boats is entitled to its own Division and may be allocated its own start depending on numbers and prevailing conditions (but note 8.3 below).

8.3 Divisions may be started together at the discretion of the PRO.

9. RACING AREA

9.1 The racing area, weather permitting, will be as described in the NOR Clause 6. Should the weather be extreme, then the PRO reserves the right to set smaller courses in the area in front of the clubhouse and bordered by the Clay Pits, Lion Island, Curiosity Rocks and the Snowline Caravan Park.

9.2 Boats should not enter the swimming area at the Clay Pits marked by yellow marker buoys.

9.3 Submerged trees form hazards at some locations on the shore of the lake.

9.4 Care should be exercised when sailing near the public boat ramp where power boats can be entering and exiting the lake.

10. THE COURSES

10.1 To cater for the vastly different performance between large catamarans and smaller monohulls, two courses will be set. Both will be based on a triangle / sausage-style course with an inner smaller course set within a larger outer course; faster boats will sail the outer course and slower boats will sail the inner course. The PRO will make a decision before racing on Sat 5 Dec which Divisions sail what course based on the number of entries, mix of classes and prevailing weather conditions.

10.2 The outer course will be delineated by three large inflatable **yellow** marks (windward, wing and leeward marks). The inner course will be delineated by three large inflatable **orange** marks (windward, wing and leeward marks). Small orange marks will be used as offset marks some 50-60m from each windward mark. See a diagrammatic map at **Appendix A** for the general layout of courses

10.2 The number of laps will be signalled by **I / O** 2, 3 or 4 where the number signifies the number of windward legs on either the inner or outer course.

10.3 The PRO will decide the number laps of the course to be sailed before each race depending upon the prevailing conditions and the numbers of competitors involved.

11. THE START

11.1 Unless modified by the PRO during his pre-race briefing, competitors will start in Divisions in the order outlined in Clause 8 above.



- 11.1 Races will be started using Rule 26. The Warning Signal for succeeding Divisions shall be made with or after the starting signal of the previous Division.
- 11.2 The starting line will be between the Orange flag on the Committee/Start (C/S) Boat at the starboard end and a Blue-topped mark on the port end.
- 11.3 Once the C/S Boat is on station, the Orange flag will be hoisted 5 minutes prior to the first Warning Signal of that start sequence. The Orange flag will be dropped 5 minutes after the start of the last Division. The dropping of the Orange flag signals the start line is closed. However, a boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.
- 11.4 Boats whose Warning Signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other Divisions.

12. CHANGING THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

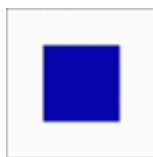
- 12.1 The PRO may change the next leg of a Course in accordance with Rule 33.

12. THE FINISH

- 12.1 A Blue flag will be flown on the Finish Boat signalling it is on station at the finishing line. The finishing line will be between the blue flag on the Finish Boat and a Black/White Chequered mark. Except in the case of a shortened course, once the Finish Boat has indicated that it is on station, competitors not engaged in finishing will be disqualified if they pass through the established finish-line.
- 12.2 After finishing, all boats should clear the finish line and not return across it.
- 12.3 In the event that the Finish Boat is not flying AP whilst on-station at the finish line, it would be the intention of the PRO to conduct back-to-back racing shortly after the last boat finishes the preceding race or the allotted time limit expires. Competitors should remain in the course area, but not impede boats still racing.

13. SHORTENING COURSE

- 13.1 The course may be shortened in accordance with RRS 32 by finishing between the Finish Boat displaying Flag S and the Black/White Chequered mark.



14. TIME LIMITS

- 14.1 The time limit for the Invitation race will be 90 minutes. Time limits for races in the Regatta race series will be set by the PRO depending upon the wind conditions, the progress of each race and whether races are sailed 'back to back'.
- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes of the first boat in the same Division, who sail the course and finish, will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.
- 14.3 If no boat has rounded the first mark within 30 minutes of the start, the race will be abandoned.

15. PROTESTS



- 15.1 Protests shall be written on forms available from the Clubhouse. Completed forms must be returned there within the Protest time limit.
- 15.2 The Protest time limit is one hour after the finish of the last boat in the last race of the day.
- 15.3 Protests will be heard as soon as possible after the receipt of a valid protest form and notification of the parties involved (including witnesses).
- 16. SCORING**
- 16.1 The Low Point scoring system, Appendix A of the RRS will apply.
- 16.2 A boat's series score will be calculated as outlined in Clause 7 of the NOR.
- 17. SAFETY REGULATIONS, SIGNING-ON, SIGNING-OFF AND RETIREMENTS**
- 17.1 As mentioned in Clause 4, the Regatta COVID-19 Plan will be posted in the Clubhouse window adjacent to front door. All competitors are to abide by its prescriptions, particularly when they come ashore.
- 17.1 All competitors shall wear personal floatation devices, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal floatation devices.
- 17.2 All competitors must sign-on prior to the first race of the day. Signing-on signifies an intention to take part in each race that day. Failure to sign-on will be treated as a DNS.
- 17.3 All competitors must sign-off after each race. In circumstances where races are sailed 'back-to-back', then competitors should sign off at the first available opportunity when they come ashore.
- 17.4 The latest time for sign-off is 45 minutes after the last boat has finished and come ashore.
- 17.5 Competitors shall sign-off to indicate that they have:
 - 17.5.1 safely come ashore; and
 - 17.5.2 sailed each race in accordance with the Rules; or
 - 17.5.3 failed to complete the course.
- 17.6 A competitor who retires from a race shall notify race officials aboard the C/S boat and having come ashore sign off, writing "DNF" next to their signature, in accordance with 17.4 above.
- 17.7 Failure to sign-off may result in disqualification.



18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY AND INSURANCE

- 18.1 Competitors participate in the Regatta entirely at their own risk.
- 18.2 Lake Jindabyne Sailing Club is not responsible for the seaworthiness or insurance of a boat participating in the Regatta or the adequacy of its equipment. Competitors' attention is drawn to RRS 4 and Clause 11 and 12 in the NOR.

19. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 19.1 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.

20. PRIZES

- 20.1 Prizegiving will take place as soon as possible after the final race of the Race series. Prizes will be awarded as follows (at the discretion of the PRO):
 - 20.1.1 There will be prizes awarded within each Division.
 - 20.1.2 Prizes for the Taipans will be awarded at the discretion of the NSW Taipan Association.

Appendix:

- A. Course Map. (See separate document.)