

NOTICE OF RACE

Sarah Blanck Perpetual Trophy Regatta

Saturday 8th & Sunday 9th November 2014

The Organising Authority is Westernport Yacht Club

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regattas will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
- 1.2. Competitors that may have breached a rule may take an exoneration penalty as described in Exoneration Penalties.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. Competitors must be members of a YA affiliated club or purchase a Holiday Guest Pass membership from Westernport Yacht Club.
- 2.2. Competitors must be female.
- 2.3. Entries will be accepted from Laser Radial, Laser 4.7, Sabre and invited Optimist Class Boats
- 2.4. Entry is via <http://www.westernport.yachting.org.au>
- 2.5. The closing date for entries is Friday 24th October 2014, 5pm.

3. FEES

- 3.1. The Entry fee for each boat is \$50.00
- 3.2. Entries completed after 5pm, 10th October 2014 will be charged a late entry fee of \$75.00.

4. FORMAT

- 4.1. Boats will compete in short 20-25 minute races on a trapezoid course or Windward/Leeward course.

5. SCORING

- 5.1. When 3 races have been scored a boats worse score shall be excluded from her score
- 5.2. When 8 races have been completed, a boat's 2 worst scores shall be excluded from her score.

6. SCHEDULES

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| 6.1. Competitor information sessions 8 th & 9 th November 2014 | 09:00 hrs |
| 6.2. Registration 8 th November | 08:00 to 09:00 hrs |
| Coaching (Saturday 8 th & Sunday 9 th) | 09.00 to 12.00 |
| 1 st Warning Signal | 13:00 |
| Latest time for last warning Signal on Sunday 09 Nov | 15:30 |

7. VENUES AND RACING AREA

- 7.1. The racing area will be off Westernport Yacht Club (1 Foreshore Rd, Balnarring, VIC 3926)

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 8.1. Sailing Instructions will be available from the website the day before racing.

9. THE COURSES

- 9.1. The course will be Windward/Leeward, and Trapezoid courses.

10. EXONERATION PENALTIES

- 10.1. Provided rules 44.1(a) and (b) would not apply, a boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2, rule 31 or rule 42 while racing, may take an exoneration penalty for that incident. The exoneration penalty increases her score by the percentage of the difference between her score without the penalty and the score for retirement.

- 10.2. The percentage is 20% if exoneration occurs before a protest hearing involving the incident.
- 10.3. The exonerated score is rounded up to the next whole number, but capped at the retirement score.
- 10.4. A boat takes an exoneration penalty by informing the race committee in writing and identifying the race number and when and where the incident occurred and any other boat involved.
- 10.5. Boats are encouraged to have a rules advisor or arbitrator assist them to understand the rules that apply to an incident, so that a boat that finds out, after the incident, that they broke a rule, can take an exoneration penalty.
- 10.6. Rule 44 – Penalties at the time of an incident - is not changed by this rule and boats may take a one-turn or a two-turn penalty as described in that rule

11. PRIZES

- 11.1. Sarah Blanck Perpetual Trophy (Open age trophy for a sailor who finishes in top 5; nominated by coach; best demonstrates SB values)
Sarah the Sailor Award (Junior/Youth Trophy U18; finishes top 5 nominated by coach, best demonstrates Sarah Blanck values)
Laser Radial 1st, 2nd, 3rd
Laser 4.7 1st, 2nd, 3rd
Sabre 1st, 2nd, 3rd,
Optimist 1st, 2nd, 3rd

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 12.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. Neither the organising authority nor ISAF will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

13. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact: Peta Pietromonaco: ppietro@bigpond.net.au

Any amendment to this Notice of Race will be posted on the event web site:
<http://www.westernport.yachting.org.au>