

Notice of Race 2017 Frostbite Optimist Regatta

Goolwa Aquatic Club. Goolwa, South Australia

Organising Authority

IODASA in conjunction with GAC will conduct the 2017 Frostbite Regatta on the waters of Murray River adjacent Goolwa, SA 10th and 11th June 2017.

1. Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020*
- 1.2 The AS Special Regulations Part 2- for Off the Beach Boats and Australian Sailing Prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 The Rules of the International Optimist Dinghy Association (IODA) will apply.
- 1.4 The ISAF Introductory Rules of Sailing Version 1.01 (Feb 2008) will apply to the Green Fleet.

2. Advertising

Advertising will be permitted in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20- Advertising Code, and the IODA Class Rule 2.8 effective 1st January 2013.

3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Optimist Class that comply with the Class Rules of the International Optimist Dinghy Association.
- 3.2 The IODASA Frostbite Regatta is open to all boats of the International Optimist class whose helms are financial members of the International Optimist Dinghy Association of South Australia or other state equivalent.
- 3.3 All entrants shall have a birth year of 2002 or later.
- 3.4 Racing for three fleets will be conducted as follows:
 - Open Fleet - experienced Optimist Sailors competing Frostbite Regatta title
 - Intermediate- those whose ability excludes them from green but no not wish to race in open competition
 - Green Fleet – beginner racers.
- 3.5 Entries may be transferred between fleets, if in the sole opinion of the Race Committee the sailors experience or ability warrants a transfer.
- 3.6 All skippers shall be a member of an Australian Sailing affiliated sailing club. International entrants will need to provide proof of membership to their country's ISAF Member National Authority.
- 3.7 Entry is online via www.optisa.org.au

4. Fees

4.1 Required fees are as follows:

Optimist Frostbite Entry fees: \$80 (including hoodie.)

4.2 Entries close at 2100 on the 5th May 2017.

4.3 Late entries may be accepted depending on total entries, at the regatta registration desk by 0930 Saturday 3rd June 2017, at cost of \$60 but will not include a hoodie

5. Schedule of Events

5.1 A Briefing will be conducted at 1000 on the first day of the series.

5.2 First Warning signal will not be made before 10.30 on day one.

5.3 First Warning signal will not be made before 10.00 on day two.

5.4 No Warning signal will be made after 1530 on day two.

5.5 Prizes will be presented as soon as practical after racing on the final day.

5.6 A maximum of 12 Races are scheduled for the series.

6. Measurement

6.1 Boats may be inspected for safety equipment and measurement compliance at any time during the regatta.

6.2 All boats must have an ISAF plaque, be registered correctly with AIODA & present a completed Safety Check list at the regatta registration desk for compliance check.

7. Sailing Instructions

Sailing instructions will be available from www.optisa.org.au no later than May 28th

8. Venue

The regatta will be hosted by Goolwa Aquatic Club, on the waters of the adjacent Murray River.

9. The Courses

The courses to be sailed will be at discretion of the PRO. as described in the Sailing Instructions and at the Briefing.

10. Scoring

10.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply.

(a) Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

(b) When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(c) When 6 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

(d) When 10 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

11. Support Boats

11.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay at least 50 metres outside the areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

11.2 Support boats shall not signal to competitors by any means during a race.

11.3 Support boats are required to render assistance if requested to do so by the race committee or a competitor.

11.4 Coaching of green fleet skippers while racing is permitted, however coaching shall be limited to skippers in the bottom half of the fleet in any given race. Coach boats shall neither create wakes nor otherwise interfere with competitors. Violation of this instruction may result in any penalty which the Race Committee deems appropriate, up to and including the disqualification of the coached skipper from the race/regatta.

12. Radio Communications

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.

13. Safety

13.1 All competitors shall wear personal flotation devices that are in good condition and are in accordance with the specifications issued or approved by a national authority or standards organisation and branded in the country of origin or manufacture and in accordance with Class Rule 4.2 (a), properly secured at all times while on the water except when temporarily adding or removing clothing.

13.2 Attention is drawn to Rule 1.2 and Rule 4

13.3 Discretionary penalties will apply to Rule 41 – Outside Help. Actions of the Race Committee in retrieving crews from the water and returning them to their boats may not be penalised.

14. Charter Boats

Charter boats may be available for the regatta from the GAC or IODASA. The charter fee is \$50 For further details please contact brucekonings@gmail.com First come first served.

15. Rights to use names and likenesses

15.1 In participating in an event, a competitor automatically grants to the organising authority and the sponsors of the event, 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 him/her during the period of the competition for the said event in which the competitor participates and in all material related to the said event without compensation.

16. PRIZES

16.1 Green Fleet - First, Second, Third,

16.2 Intermediate Fleet – (if run dependent on numbers) First, Second, Third,

16.2 Green Fleet – First Second and Third

16.3 Other prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Committee.

17. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. Attention is drawn to Rule 4, Decision to race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

18. Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of not less than AUD \$5,000,000 (recommended AUD \$10,000,000).

19. Other Information

Any amendments or alterations will be posted on www.optisa.org.au prior to the event.

For further information please contact: info@optisa.org.au

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