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**Hunters Hill Sailing Club**

**2023-24 Club Championship Series**

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**2023-24 Point Score Series**

**3 September 2023 - 7 April 2024**

*Organising Authority:*

**Hunters Hill Sailing Club Inc.**

**Merrington Place Woolwich NSW 2110**

**NOTICE OF RACE**

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1 RULES

1.1 The series will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

1.2 The Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing, and class rules will apply.

2 ADVERTISING

 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 **Junior classes**: Entry is open to boats of the following classes: International Optimist Dinghy, Techno & Techno Plus sailboards.

**Senior classes**: Entry is open to boats of the following classes: Flying 11, Mirror, Senior Mixed Single-Handed Class (including but not limited to all ILCA rig configurations, together with other single handed single sailed dinghy classes) and Senior Mixed Two-Handed Class (including but not limited to 29er, 49er FX, 49er, NS 14 and any other two-handed dinghy or skiff class). For the Senior Mixed Single-Handed and Two-Handed Classes, Australian Sailing Yardsticks will be applied, and scores shall be extracted from the mixed fleets for constituent class results.

3.2 All crew members shall be financial members of HHSC except that casual race entries are accepted on payment of $10 per race day for a maximum of 3 race days per boat.

3.3 Competitors shall be members of relevant class associations where required by class rules.

3.4 Boats shall present a copy of their certificate of insurance in according with the requirements of the Sailing Instructions prior to her first race.

4 FEES

 The schedule of fees is published at [www.huntershillsailingclub.org.au](http://www.huntershillsailingclub.org.au).

5 SCHEDULE

5.1 Registration: Online via [www.huntershillsailingclub.org.au](http://www.huntershillsailingclub.org.au) Late registration will be accepted at any time.

5.2 Dates of racing are Sundays from 3 September 2023 to 7 April 2024 with a Christmas / New Year break, with the precise schedule as amended from time to time and published at [www.huntershillsailingclub.org.au](http://www.huntershillsailingclub.org.au) .

5.3 Number of races:

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| **Event** | **Class** | **Maximum races per day** |
| Point Score Scratch starts | All classes | 3 |
| Point Score Handicap starts | All classes | 1 |
| Club Championship | 29er / Senior Mixed | 4\* |
|  | All other classes | 3\* |
| Sprint racing and special events | As advised | As advised |

 \* One additional race may be sailed when the total number of races to date is less than planned in this Notice of Race

5.4 **Junior classes:** A briefing will normally be held at or after 10:45.

The first warning signal will be displayed at or after 11:55.

5.5 **Senior classes:** A briefing may be held at approximately 13:30.

The first warning signal will be displayed at or after 14:25.

6 MEASUREMENT

If required by class rules, boats shall hold a valid class measurement certificate.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

 The sailing instructions will be available on or before 2 September 2023

8 VENUE

 The venue is Hunters Hill Sailing Club. The racing areas will be in the vicinity of HHSC.

9 THE COURSES

The courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

10 PRIZES

10.1 Prizes will be awarded for each Club Championship as set out in the Sailing Instructions.

10.2 Prizes will be awarded for each Point Score series as set out in the Sailing Instructions.

10.3 The following perpetual trophies may be awarded:

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| **Class** | **Event** | **Trophy Name** |
| Flying 11 | Club Championship | Phil Briggs Trophy |
| Flying 11 | Point Score | Dind Family Shield |
| Mirror  | Club Championship | Neil Walker Trophy |
| Mirror  | Point Score | Keith Dreverman Trophy |
| NS14  | Club Championship | NS14 CC Trophy |
| NS14  | Point Score | Mike Bannister Trophy |
| ILCA Open | Club Championship | TBA |
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| ILCA 7 | Club Championship | David Berriman Trophy |
| ILCA 6 | Club Championship | Century 21 Trophy |
| ILCA 4 | Club Championship | Laser 4.7 Trophy |
| Australia Day | Australia Day Regatta | Hunters Hill Mayoral Trophy |
| International Optimist | Point Score | Bonnitcha Family Trophy |
| International Optimist | Club Championship | TBA |
| Senior Mixed Single-Handed | Club Championship | TBA |
| Senor Mixed Single-Handed | Point Score | TBA |
| Senior Mixed Two-Handed | Club Championship | TBA |
| Senior Mixed Two-Handed | Point Score | TBA |
| 29er | Club Championship | TBA |
| 29er | Point Score | TBA |

10.4 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

11 DISCLAIMERS OF LIABILITY & RISK WARNING

11.1 This Risk Warning is issued jointly by HHSC and NSW Maritime, pursuant to the Civil Liability Act 2002 to all persons wishing to participate in this event.

11.2 Competitors participate entirely at their own risk. RRS 4, Decision to Race states “the responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.”

11.3 The Organising Authority, NSW Maritime, their directors, officers, volunteers and sponsors:

(a) will not accept any liability for damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after this event; and

(b) shall not be responsible for the seaworthiness of any boat whose entry is accepted, the adequacy of its equipment or its insurance arrangements.

11.4 Participants are warned that, regardless of the precautions which might be taken by reasonable and experienced persons, sailing can be a dangerous pursuit and participants are exposed to significant risk of property damage, physical harm and possibly death. These risks may include, but are not limited to:

* the extremes of weather and sea conditions;
* the potential that control of vessels may be lost, resulting in collisions;
* the sudden movement of the vessel at any time and the possibility that participants may fall or be thrown overboard;
* the possibility that participants may be injured by equipment on the vessel;
* the absence of immediate medical care and the likelihood that significant delays may occur before medical care is available;
* exposure to the elements for extended periods.

11.5 The Organising Authority and NSW Maritime jointly warn participants that regardless of their best intentions, they may be unable to render assistance to participants who are in distress.

11.6 Participants are warned to consider all risks before deciding to participate in any sailing event.

12 FURTHER INFORMATION

 For further information please contact the HHSC Commodore: commodore@huntershillsailingclub.org.au