



2017

**NEW SOUTH WALES SECONDARY SCHOOLS
TEAMS RACING CHAMPIONSHIP**

Friday 7 to Sunday 9 April 2017

NOTICE OF RACE

Host Club

Woolahra Sailing Club

Organising Authority

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1. Rules

- 1.1. The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the Prescriptions and Part 2 (Off the Beach Boats) Special Regulations of Australian Sailing, the Team Racing Rules at Appendix D to the RRS and Addendum B to Appendix L to the RRS (Boats provided by the Organising Authority) and the Navigation Collision Regulations of NSW will govern the Regatta.
- 1.2. All races will be umpired in accordance with Appendix D.2.
- 1.3. Pacer Class Rules will not apply.

2. Eligibility

- 2.1. A team shall consist of a minimum of six and maximum of eight members and any combination of six team members may compete in any race.
- 2.2. All members of a team shall be either:
 - 2.2.1. All bona fide students from one secondary school (School Team); or
 - 2.2.2. All bona fide students from no more than two secondary schools (Composite Team).
- 2.3. All team members shall be less than 19 years of age as at 31 December 2017.
- 2.4. Entries from outside NSW may be accepted, at the discretion of the organising authority, however such entries shall not be eligible for the New South Wales Championship title or trophy, but shall be eligible to receive place medals including first.
- 2.5. All competitors shall be fully paid members of an Australian Sailing affiliated Club and the NSW Team Sailing Association (NSWTSA).
- 2.6. Parental or guardian consent forms will be required to be signed and handed in at registration in respect of any team member born after 9 April 1999 (under 18).

3. Entry

- 3.1. Teams may enter by completing the official entry form and registering it, along with the entry fee, with the Organising Authority.
- 3.2. All teams entering must be members of the NSWTSA.
- 3.3. The entry fee is \$725 per team payable on registration (not inclusive of NSWTSA membership fee - \$125)
- 3.4. The refundable damage deposit is \$400 per team (in the form of a signed credit card authorisation or cheque) is to be paid prior to registration. Such deposit will not be drawn on unless a claim is made.
- 3.5. Registration for entries will be open from 16th March and entries will close at 1700 Thu 30 March 2017. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority. A late entry fee of \$100 will be payable for any late entries accepted.
- 3.6. Registration will be available through the Woollahra Sailing Club website and through the website of the New South Wales Team Sailing Association.
- 3.7. The Organising Authority is targeting 24 teams and may restrict the number of teams that can enter the regatta. Priority will be given to teams from NSW where teams registered for entry exceed 24 teams. Acceptance of teams will be based on the order of registration.

Where schools enter more than 2 teams, the acceptance of additional teams from that school will be at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

4. Schedule of Events

- 4.1. Table 1 shows the schedule of regatta events.
- 4.2. In the event that insufficient racing is conducted to reach a clear conclusion to the Championship a delayed finals day may be scheduled at the discretion of the Organising Authority.
- 4.3. No warning signal shall be made after 1630 hours on Sunday 9 April 2017.

Day / Date	Time	Event
Fri 7 th April 2017	0800 – 0930	Competitor registration
	0930 - 0945	Compulsory Competitor Briefing
	1015	First Warning Signal of the racing session
	Post Racing	Umpire De-Brief and Presentation
Sat 8 th April 2017	0845 – 0900	Compulsory Competitor Briefing
	0930	First Warning Signal of the racing session
	Post Racing	Umpire De-Brief and NSW TSA General Meeting
Sun 9 th April 2017	0845 – 0900	Compulsory Competitor Briefing
	0930	First Warning Signal of the racing session
	Post Racing	Umpire De-Brief

Table 1 – Schedule of Events

5. Provided Equipment and Damage Deposit

- 5.1. The event will be sailed in three boat teams. Pacer type dinghies will be supplied by the Organising Authority under Appendix L Addendum B.
- 5.2. There will be no weight limit, however selection criteria for subsequent Australian Team Sailing Association events are at Clause 15.
- 5.3. Teams will be assigned boats for use in each race by the Race Committee.
- 5.4. A damage deposit of \$400 per team must be paid at or prior to registration. No team will be allowed to sail without the damage deposit being paid.
- 5.5. A team found by the Race Committee to be responsible for causing specific damage will be charged for such damage and the cost of the damage shall be deducted from their damage deposit.
- 5.6. The limit of damage liability for any one incident is \$400.
- 5.7. In the event that deductions are made from a team's damage deposit during the Championship, the deposit will be required to be restored to the original value before that team can continue racing.
- 5.8. At the completion of the regatta, the cost to repair any damage noted which was not previously reported and which cannot be directly attributed to any team(s), will be shared

among all competing teams and deducted from their damage deposit. Unused damage deposits will then be refunded as soon as practical after the regatta.

6. Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions will be available for download from the [Woollahra Sailing Club website](#) from Tue 4 April 2017 and at registration.

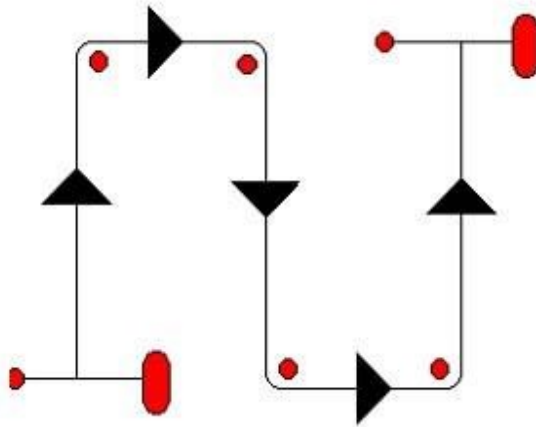
7. Venue and Racing Area (Attachment A)

7.1. Woollahra Sailing Club (WSC) is located at 2 Vickery Ave, Rose Bay, Sydney, NSW.

7.2. Racing will take place in Rose Bay on Sydney Harbour in the vicinity of Woollahra Sailing Club.

8. The Course

The course to be sailed will be a starboard hand digital N course, consisting of a windward leg, a leeward leg and a windward finish leg. There will be short reaching legs between each of the windward/leeward legs.



9. Intended Format

9.1. It is intended to race the Championship using a Swiss League and finals series with the aim of having all teams racing on the last day of the regatta. The detailed event format will be published in the Sailing Instructions and may change from this intended format.

9.2. The Race Committee may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round or stage, when conditions or the remaining time scheduled do not permit the completion of the event format.

9.3. In the event that insufficient racing is conducted to reach a clear conclusion to the Championship a delayed finals day may be scheduled.

10. Scoring

10.1. Appendices D3 [scoring a race] and D4 [scoring a series] shall apply unless altered by the Sailing Instructions.

10.2. Placings shall be decided using the accumulated rankings at the end of the last completed full round. In the case of a Swiss League a round is completed when all teams have raced once. In the case of a Round Robin a round is completed when each team has raced against all other teams.

10.3. Ties shall be broken in accordance with Appendix D4.4

10.4. Where a complete round of races cannot be completed no results will be awarded.

11. Support Boats

Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay 50 metres outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished

or retired or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. This will apply always except when asked to assist by the Race Committee.

12. Rubbish

No rubbish is to be dumped into the water. All rubbish is to be handed to official boats or taken ashore.

13. Communication

- 13.1. Team managers, coaches, team members and supporters shall not communicate in any way with competitors from the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or the Race Officer signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 13.2. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

14. Prizes

- 14.1. The New South Wales Secondary Schools Teams Racing Championship perpetual trophy will be awarded to the first placed New South Wales Secondary School School Team.
- 14.2. Prizes will be awarded to the members of the winning team. Other prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

15. Qualification for Subsequent Events

- 15.1. The results of the Championship will be used by the NSW TSA for the selection and nomination of crews to represent NSW in the 2017 Australian Secondary Schools Team Racing Championship in Perth from 6 to 10 July 2017.
- 15.2. Teams wishing to be considered for selection to the 2017 Australian Secondary Schools Team Racing Championship will need to comply with the following criteria before their selection is confirmed (these criteria do not apply to general event entry; for these please refer to Clause 2):
- 15.2.1. shall consist of up to eight competitors;
 - 15.2.2. be a bona fide student at a New South Wales Secondary School;
 - 15.2.3. shall be under 19 on 31 December 2017; and
 - 15.2.4. each two-person crew combination must weigh at least 110kg when dressed in lightweight shorts and shirt or equivalent including corrector weights up to maximum of 15kg.
- 15.3. Note that, should the Notice of Race for the 2017 Australian Secondary Schools Team Racing Championship specify differently then it shall prevail as to the requirement for qualification.
- 16. Risk Warning**
- 16.1. This Risk Warning is issued, pursuant to the Civil Liability Act 2002, to all persons wishing to participate in the 2017 NSW Secondary Schools Teams Racing Championship by the regatta Organising Authority. Participants are warned that, regardless of the precautions, which might be taken by reasonable and experienced persons, sailing can be dangerous pursuit and participants are exposed to significant risk of property damage, physical harm and possibly death.
- 16.2. As an indication, 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 collision with objects and other vessels.
 - The sudden movement of the vessel at any time and the possibility that participants may fall or be thrown overboard, resulting in drowning.
 - 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.
- The possible presence of dangerous marine life.

17. Liability Disclaimer

- 17.1. It is the competitor's decision to enter the Championship or to start and continue in any race.
- 17.2. Competitors shall accept that their participation in the Championship is at their exclusive risk in every respect. By entering in the Championship competitors shall indemnify Woollahra Sailing Club Ltd, the NSW Team Sailing Association, their officers, members, servants and agents in respect to all claims and demands of whatever nature which may be made upon them in connection with or howsoever arising from their participation or intended participation in the Championship.
- 17.3. Woollahra Sailing Club Ltd, the NSW Team Sailing Association, their officers, members, servants and agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of their participation or intended participation in the Championship or howsoever.

18. Rights to Use Name and Likeness

In participating, a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority, the Coordinating Authorities and the Sponsors, 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 filmed television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition in which the competitor participates and in all material related to the said Event without compensation.

19. Further Information

For further information about the event or the Host Club please contact:

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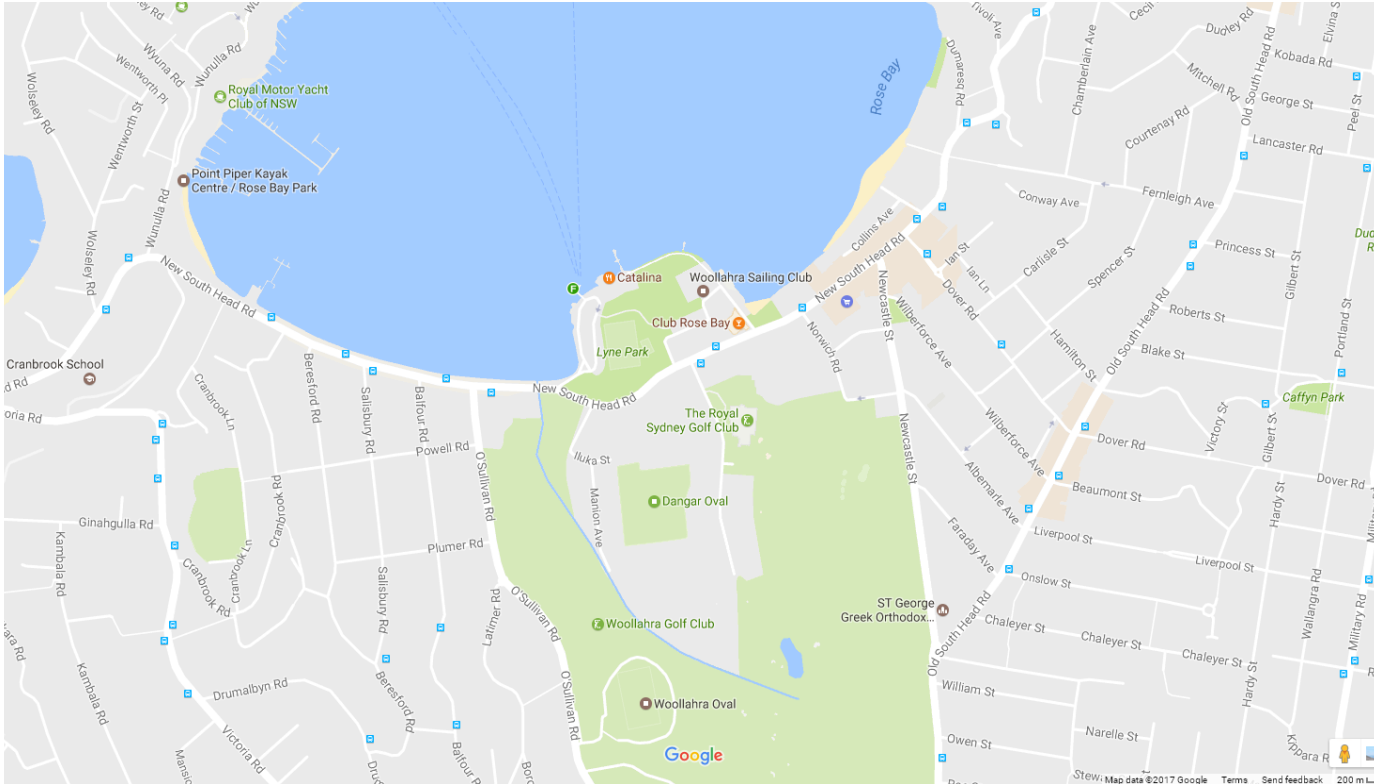
New South Wales Team Sailing Association Website: www.nswtsa.com

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**Attachment A to
2017 NSW Secondary Schools Teams Racing Championship
Notice of Race**

Woollahra Sailing Club and Racing Area



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