

Vaikobi

OCEAN PERFORMANCE



Vaikobi 9er NSW & ACT State Championships

Woollahra Sailing Club & Wangi Sailing Club as Organising Authorities (OA)
in conjunction with The NSW & ACT 9er Association

16-17 November 2024

22-23 February 2025

Notice of Race (NoR)

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 All boats must comply with Australian Sailing Special Regulations Addendum A Part 2: For Off the Beach Boats with the exception that Lifejacket Level 50S or Type 3 are deemed non-compliant. Where the current class rules are of a lesser standard than the Special Regulations then the latter will prevail.
- 1.3 [DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the Protest Committee. This changes RRS 64.1.
- 1.4 [SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the Race Committee or Technical Committee without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.
- 1.5 [NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 For Round 1 the Sailing Instructions will be available after 0900hrs on 16 November 2024 at the [NSW ACT 9ers Event Website](#) and at the WSC Regatta Office after 0900hrs on 16 November 2024.
- 2.2 For Round 2 the Sailing Instructions will be available after 0900hrs on 22 February 2025 at the Association Event Page [NSW ACT 9ers Event Website](#) and at the Georges River Sailing Club after 0900hrs on 22 February 2025.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located on the Association Event Page at [NSW ACT 9ers Event Website](#) Notices may also be posted on the relevant OA Noticeboard at each club's location.
- 3.2 [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats of the 29er, 49er and 49erFX class that:

- a) are compliant with the relevant class rules except with the prior written approval of the race committee, and
- b) Crew (both Helmsperson and Crew) are current financial members of a club affiliated with Australian Sailing and current financial members of any National or State based 9er Class Association

4.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form on the [NSW ACT 9ers Event Website](#) along with payment of the standard fee.

4.3 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees including Association Membership Fees.

4.4 Late entries will be accepted until 1700hrs on Monday 15 November 2024.

5 FEES

5.1 Entry fees are as follows (early entry):

Class	Round 1	Round 2
29er	AUD \$80.00	AUD \$75.00
49er	AUD \$80.00	AUD \$75.00
49erFX	AUD \$80.00	AUD \$75.00
Skiff Skills	AUD \$55.00	AUD \$75.00

Annual NSW Association Membership	
29er	AUD \$85.00
49er	AUD \$85.00
49erFX	AUD \$85.00

6 CREW LIMITATIONS

6.1 The helmsperson and crew of each boat contesting a race shall be nominated on the online entry form together with their full contact and emergency contact details. Change of helmsperson and/or crew may be permitted at the discretion of the race committee on written application.

7 ADVERTISING

7.1 [NP] Advertising will be in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20. The OA reserves the absolute right to require any competitor to remove any material from their boat, equipment or clothing which may be in contravention of moral decency or competitive to any event sponsor.

8 QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

8.1 The event may consist of a qualifying series and a final series.

9 SCHEDULE

Venue:

Date	Club	Address
16 November 2024 17 November 2024	Woollahra Sailing Club	2 Vickery Ave, Rose Bay NSW 2029
22 February 2025 23 February 2025	Georges River Sailing Club	Sanoni Ave, Sandringham NSW 2219

9.1 Registration:

Date	From	To	Location
16 November 2024	1100hrs	1130hrs	WSC Club House
22 February 2025	1100hrs	1130hrs	Georges River SC

9.2 Competitor Briefing:

A competitor briefing for all helmspersons, crew, race management and support and coach boat operators. It is compulsory for a delegate from each boat to attend the competitor briefing.

Date	From	To	Location
16 November 2024	1130hrs	1145hrs	Club House
22 February 2025	1130hrs	1145hrs	Club House

9.3 Racing:

Date	First Warning Signal Not Before
16 November 2024	1300hrs
17 November 2024	1200hrs
22 February 2025	1300hrs
23 February 2025	1200hrs

9.4 Number of Races:

Date	Races per day Scheduled	Races per day Maximum
16 November 2024	3	4
17 November 2024	3	4
22 February 2025	3	4
23 February 2025	3	4

9.5 On the last scheduled day of racing for each round no warning signal will be made after 1600hrs.

9.10 A presentation will be held as soon as possible after the conclusion of racing on 23 February 2025

10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

10.1 Boats may be inspected at any time.

10.2 Boats which do not comply with Class Rules or AS Special Regulations Part 2 may have their entry refused or rejected, recorded as Did Not Start (DNS) or disqualified (DSQ) as determined by the race committee.

11 CHANGE OF EQUIPMENT

11.1 A change of sail number will be permitted but shall be notified to, and acknowledged by, the race committee prior to the warning signal of the race in which the changed number will be used. The number must be different to the sail numbers of other competitors in the series.

12 VENUE

12.1 NoR Addendum 1 shows the plan of the event venues.

12.2 NoR Addendum 2 shows the location of the racing areas.

13 COURSES

13.1 The courses will generally be windward leeward with bottom gates. Courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

14.2 Arbitration may be used for protests alleging infringements of a RRS Part 2, Part 4 or RRS 31.

15 SCORING

15.1 Three (4) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

15.2 (a) When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When from five (5) to ten (10) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

(c) When eleven (11) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

15.3 [NP] Competitors that do not sign on or sign off shall be scored DSQ without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 & A5.

15.4 RRS A5.3 will apply.

16 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

16.1 [DP] Support person vessels shall be registered with the OA via the Online Entry System available from [NSW ACT 9ers Event Website](#)

16.2 [DP] Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay 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 unless providing assistance to a boat in distress. The race area shall include an area 50m below the start line and 50m above the top mark.

- 16.3 [DP] All coach and support boats shall monitor the VHF channel nominated in the Sailing Instructions or advised during the competitor briefing while on water.
- 16.4 [DP] All coach and support boats shall render assistance when and as directed by the Race Officer. When the Committee Vessel displays code flag 'V', all support boats must remain on water and provide safety assistance until such time that code flag 'V' is lowered.
- 16.5 [DP] Support boats should take care to proceed at a speed that does not generate excessive wake which might cause interference to competitors.
- 16.5 Failure to comply with these provisions may result in the protest committee disqualifying any vessels supported by that vessel from that day's races.

17 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

- 17.1 [DP] A chartered or loaned boat may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of her class rules, provided that the race committee has approved her sail identification before the first race.

18 BERTHING

- 18.1 [DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the boat park.

19 RISK STATEMENT

- 19.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

- 19.2 This Risk Warning is issued, pursuant to the Civil Liability Act 2002, to all persons wishing to participate in the sailing activities conducted by the OA.

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. 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 when medical care is available.
- Exposure to the elements for extended periods.
- The possible presence of dangerous marine life.

The OA also warns participants that regardless of their best intentions, they may be unable to render assistance to participants who are in distress. Participants are warned to consider the above risks and all other risks before deciding to participate in any sailing event with the OA

20 MEDIA RIGHTS

- 20.1 In participating in the Event, a competitor automatically grants to the OA 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 motion pictures and live taped or filmed television, digital images and other reproductions of him / her during the period of the competition for the said Event in which the competitor participates and all material related to the said Event without compensation.

21 INSURANCE

21.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD\$10,000,000 (ten million) per incident or the equivalent.

22 PRIZES

22.1 Prizes will be given for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place Male and 1st, 2nd & 3rd place Female.

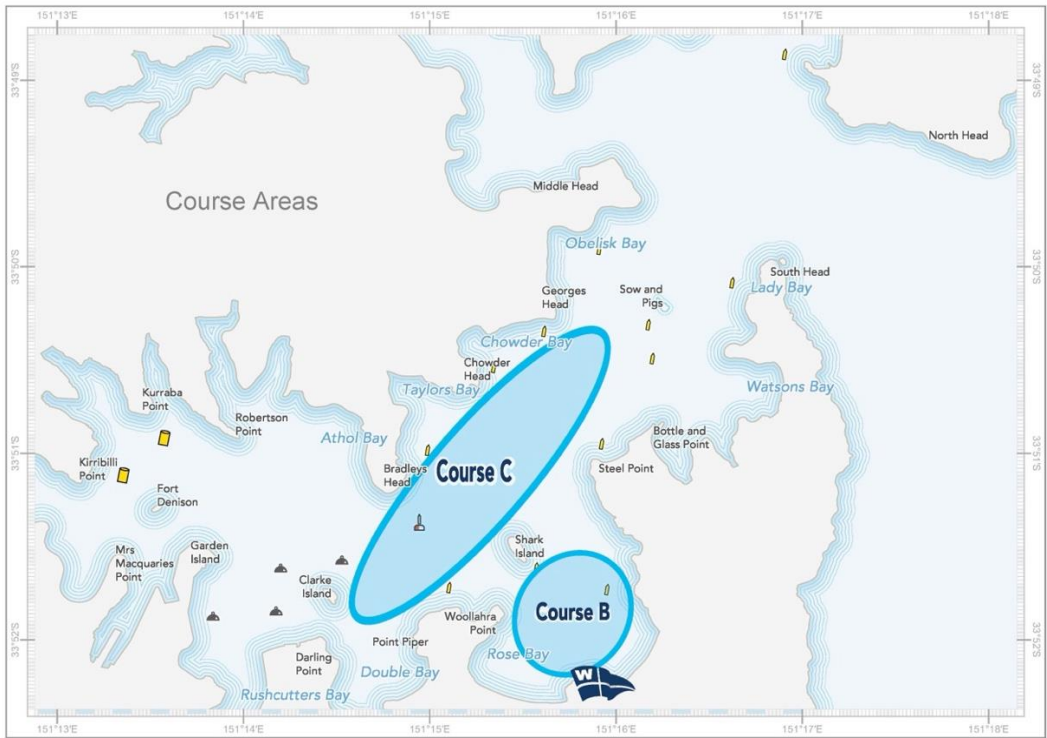
22.2 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

23 FURTHER INFORMATION

23.1 For further information please contact The NSW and ACT 9er Association of NSW
Email: nsw9ers@gmail.com

ADDENDUM 1

Woollahra Sailing Club Location



Georges River Sailing Club location

