

RSA Youth National Championship 2009

will be sailed at

Henley Midmar Yacht Club, Howick, KZN

from Sunday 13th December to Saturday 19th December 2009

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2** The following prescriptions of South African Sailing will apply:
The SA Sailing Requirements for National Championships.
- 1.3** Boats participating in this regatta shall conform to the Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS), the Class Rules of the Optimist, Dabchick, Mirror, Laser 4.7, Laser Radial, Laser Standard, 420, Dragoon and Hobie Classes, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4** In the Optimist class RRS 61.1 (a) will be changed to require a red flag to be displayed by the protesting boat. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.5** This event serves as a selection regatta for: Optimist and ISAF Youth Worlds and Africans Regattas.

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1** Regulation 20 of the 2009 ISAF Regulations – ISAF Advertising Code - shall apply.
- 2.1** Boats may be required to display event advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. Boats shall not display any advertising which is in conflict with that of any official event sponsor.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1** In accordance with the International Sailing Federation (ISAF) Regulation 19 (Eligibility Code), all competitors (helmspersons and all other crew) shall be members in good standing of a Yacht Club affiliated to and in good standing with SA Sailing or their Member National Authority in the case of non-South Africans. The Yacht Club name and membership details shall be stated on the entry form or crew list. Current valid South African Sailing Membership Cards or similar proof of MNA Membership in cases of non-South Africans shall be presented at Registration.
- 3.2** The regatta is open to all boats of the above listed classes. (Refer 1.3) A class shall consist of ten or more boats. If fewer than ten boats are registered they will sail in an open class.
- 3.3** The regatta is open for all sailors who will not have turned 19 on or before the 31st December 2009
- 3.4** Competitors shall comply with their respective Class Association age requirements.
- 3.5** Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and sending it, together with proof of payment of the required fee, to:

The Regatta Secretary,
2009 YOUTH NATIONALS
SAILING KZN
P.O. Box 2224, Durban 4000

OR

Fax: 031 3073902 email: kzn@sailing.org.za

Tel: 031 3013078

By 23 November 2009

- 3.6** In cases of electronic or faxed entry, confirmation of payment as outlined in 3.5 above shall clearly bear the following reference: YN(Surname) and be faxed or e-mailed, together with the Entry, to the Regatta Secretary.

- 3.7** Late entries will be accepted until the close of registration on Sunday 13 December 2009 at 13:00 and on payment of the late entry fee set out in Clause 5.1.

4 FEES

- 4.1** Required fees are as follows:

<u>Entry Fee</u>	<u>Closing Date</u>	<u>Entry Fee-entries received after 23Nov</u>
Single Handed R375.00	23 November '09	R400.00
Double Handed R475.00	23 November '09	R500.00

BANK DETAILS

Cheques should be made out to KZN Optimist Class Association.

Account Name KZN Optimist Class Association

Bank Investec Bank Limited (Can pay at ABSA Branches)

Branch/Code 580105

Account No. 1001 079 8533

NB. Please use "YN+surname" as reference

- 4.2** Other Fees: Fees for social events may be levied upon entrants at the discretion of the organising committee.
- All Entry Fees and Class subscriptions shall be paid prior to the close of Registration. Failure to meet this requirement will result in the affected yacht being recorded as Did Not Compete until such time as the required payment/s are made. This changes rule A11 (DNC).

5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1** Registration:

Day and date: Sunday 13 December 2009

From: 09:00

To: 13:00

- 5.2** Scrutineering:

Day and date: Sunday 13 December 2009

From: 09:00

To: 13:00

5.3 Dates of racing: All Classes

<i>Date</i>	<i>Race</i>
13 December	Tune up race @ 15:00
14 December	racing
15 December	racing
16 December	racing
17 December	team racing
18 December	racing
19 December	racing followed by prize giving @ 16:00

5.4 Number of races:

<u>Classes</u>	<u>Number</u>
All	Maximum 15

5.5 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first class tune up race is 15:00. Unless indicated by a notice placed on the regatta notice board by 19H00 of the preceding day, the scheduled time of the warning signal for the first class on each course will be 09:00 for subsequent days.

6 MEASUREMENTS

Where measurement certificates are required by class rules, each boat shall present a valid measurement certificate during scrutineering. In addition spot measurements may be taken at any stage during the regatta.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available from the Regatta Secretary on completion of registration formalities.

8 VENUE

Racing will take place in Midmar Dam adjacent to the Henley Midmar Yacht Club.

9 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed by the respective classes will be set out in the Sailing Instructions.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

10.1 Rule 44.1 and 44.2 shall apply.

10.2 For the multi-hull classes rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

11 SCORING

11.1 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

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

(b) When from 5 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

(c) 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.

(d) When fifteen races have been completed a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her three worst scores

12 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP REQUIREMENTS

In order to qualify as a National Class Championship the following criteria shall be satisfied:

A minimum of ten valid entries have been received no later than the closing time for entries one hour before the scheduled starting time of the first race;

At least ten finishers in any two races of the series;

At least four races completed.

13 SAFETY

Yachts shall comply with their class buoyancy and safety requirements.

All competitors shall wear a personal buoyancy aid capable of supporting a 5Kg. steel weight at all times while afloat in a yacht. Wet or Dry suits do not constitute adequate buoyancy!

Optimist Class: In addition to IODA Class Rules 4.2 (a) and (b), 4.3 (a) and (b), each boat shall have on board a secured paddle with a blade surface of not less than 0.025 square meters, and each competitor shall carry a whistle attached to clothing with a lanyard. Competitors not complying with this instruction will be attributed a penalty of 5 points for each race of the day on which they have failed to observe this instruction.

14 SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats shall be marked with white flag and remain no less than 150m from areas where boats are racing, between the Preparatory Signal and the last competitor finishing the race. Failure to comply shall result in action from the Protest Committee

15 RADIO COMMUNICATION

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.

16 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

Medals will be awarded in accordance with the following:

10 to 14 yachts finishing at least two races Gold

15 to 19 yachts finishing at least two races Gold & Silver

20 or more yachts finishing at least two races Gold, Silver & Bronze

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. Neither the Organising Authority nor its officials or other persons associated with the organization of the event will 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

It is suggested that each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of R1 000 000.00 per event or the equivalent.

19 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact:

Donald Whitaker

The Regatta Secretary,

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Tel: 031 3013078 Fax: 031 3073902 email: kzn@sailing.org.za

OR

Kevin Bingham

Sailing KZN Exco (Youth)

Tel: 083 432 4354 email: kgbingham@gmail.com

20 GENERAL INFORMATION

Accommodation at Midmar:

To book any of this accommodation, please contact:

Ezemvelo Wildlife at Queen Elizabeth Park, Phone: +27 (0)33 8451000

or e-Mail bookings@kznwildlife.com.

Charter Boats

Hobie Dragoons are available for charter from HCYC or NRHCA on a first-come basis. Contact either Tracy Whitehead of HCYC on hobbiesun@mweb.co.za or Jackie Wijtenburg of NRHCA on jackie@parrot.co.za for bookings and details.