



2024 AUSTRALIAN RACEBOARD CHAMPIONSHIPS

18 - 22 March 2024



NOTICE OF RACE

Organising Authority
[Jervis Bay Sailing Club Inc](#),
in conjunction with [WINDSURFING NSW](#)



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1 RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. RRS Appendix B: The Windsurfing Competition Rules (WCR) shall apply.
- 1.3. Class Championship Rules shall apply.
- 1.4. The Class rules of the International Raceboard Association will apply. Rule C.8.1.(a) is changed to three sails.

2 ADVERTISING

All advertising will be in accordance with World Sailing Regulation.

3 DIVISIONS

The Race Committee may alter the breakdown of divisions at its discretion.

- 3.1. **A minimum of 5 competitors** is required to constitute a division.
- 3.2. **The participating divisions shall be** Men, Women, Youth, Senior, Master, Grand Master, Veteran, Sprint.

Raceboard Age Divisions refer to age at 31st December, updated for 2024A

- 3.2.1. A Youth shall be under the age of 21 (born in 2003 or after)
- 3.2.2. A Senior shall be aged 21 or older (born in 2002 or earlier).
- 3.2.3. A Master shall be aged 40 or older (born 1983 or earlier).
- 3.2.4. A Grand Master shall be aged 50 or older (born in 1973 or earlier).
- 3.2.5. A Veteran shall be aged 60 or older (born in 1963 or earlier).

3.3. Weight Divisions

- 3.3.1. Light weight - 69.9 kilo and below;
- 3.3.2. Medium weight - 70 to 85 kilo;
- 3.3.3. Heavy weight - 85.1 kilo and above.
- 3.3.4. Competitors weighing in close to or within + - 2 kg to the next weight division may choose in which division to participate.

3.4. Sprint Division

- 3.4.1. Competitors in this division will sail a shortened course.

3.6 Techno Divisions

- 3.6.1 Youth (U17) is a boy or girl who is less than 17 years old.
- 3.6.2 Junior (U15) is a boy or girl who is less than 15 years old.
- 3.6.3 U13 is a boy or girl who is less than 13 years old.
- 3.6.4 Open (O17) is boy or girl who has reached the age of 17.
- 3.6.5 A sailor must have reached the minimum age limit in the relevant age division by December 31st before the year of competition.
- 3.6.6 A sailor must not be older than the maximum age limit in the relevant age division by December 31st in the year of competition.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

Entry is open to all boards of the Raceboard class.

- 4.1. Competitors shall be financial members of the Australian Windsurfing Association which is a paid-up member of the relevant international class association, or of the IWA. All competitors shall comply with World Sailing Eligibility Rules.
- 4.2. Australian competitors shall be financial members of a club affiliated with Australian Sailing.
- 4.3. Eligible boards may enter online at www.windsurfingnsw.com/join/.
- 4.4. Entries close on 1st March 2024.

5 FEES

- 5.1. The required fees are as follows:

Regatta Entry	\$230
Regatta Youth Entry	\$110



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6 RACE FORMAT

- 6.1. The event may be multi-discipline, including course racing, marathon and other events to be determined by the organisers.
- 6.2. All divisions in each class shall race together.
- 6.3. There shall be a maximum 4 races per day.
- 6.4. Three races are required to validate the event.

7 SCHEDULE

- 7.1. The proposed schedule is as per below:

DATE	EVENT	TIME/FIRST WARNING SIGNAL
Monday 18 March 2024	Registration	1500 - 1700
Tuesday 19 March 2024	Registration	0830 - 1000
	Competitors' Briefing	1000 - 1030
	Raceboard: up to 4 Races	1130
	Welcome Drinks – TBA	1700
Wednesday 20 March 2024	Raceboard: up to 4 Races	1000
Thursday 21 March 2024	Raceboard: up to 4 Races	1000
	Social Event– TBA <i>Pay as you go, not included in entry</i>	1900
Friday 22 March 2024	Raceboard: up to 4 Races	1000
	Presentation – Jervis Bay SC	1630 or ASAP thereafter

- 7.2. The start times for the second and succeeding races on each day will be as soon as practical after the conclusion of the preceding race.
- 7.3. On Friday 22 March 2024 there will be no warning signal made after 1500hrs.

8 MEASUREMENT

The format for measurement will be as follows:

- 8.1. Please read the Raceboard class rules on the class website.

9 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) will be the Jervis Bay Sailing Club, in conjunction with Windsurfing NSW.

10 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The course racing sailing instructions will be available via the Regatta Website <http://www.ausraceboard.org/> prior to the first day of the regatta and at Registration.

11 VENUE & COURSES

- 11.1. The regatta will be hosted by the Jervis Bay Sailing Club.
- 11.2. Course racing will be as per the course diagrams details in the Sailing Instructions, other race diagrams will be as per the noticeboard on the day.



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11.3. Attachment 1 shows the racing area.

12 SCORING

- 12.1. Scoring will be according to the WCR B8 and using the Low Points Scoring System.
- 12.2. An overall ranking will be published. The finishing positions for divisions will be determined by their respective finishing position in the overall ranking.
- 12.3. Each class shall be scored separately.

13 SUPPORT BOATS

- 13.1. If called upon support boats will be required to act as rescue boats. Support boats shall register when entering.
- 13.2. Coaches supporting athletes shall register with the OA prior to the commencement of racing.
- 13.3. Support and coach boats are required to have a marine VHF Radio.

14 PRIZES

- 14.1. Awards may be made at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

15 RADIO COMMUNICATION

While racing, except in an emergency, a board shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. This restriction applies to radios, mobile telephones and smart watches.

16 DISCLAIMER OF ENTRY

- 16.1. It is the competitor's sole decision to enter this event and to start and or to continue to compete. By way of entering, competitors acknowledge and agree that participation in this event can be dangerous and accept that their participation is at their exclusive risk in every respect. In addition, by way of entering competitors shall hold harmless the organising authority, its officers, members, servants and agents and all other competitors in respect of all liability for injury to their person and or loss or damage to their property howsoever arising from their participation or intended participation in this event and acknowledge and accept that the organising authority, its officers, members, servants, agents and other competitors accept no responsibility in respect to loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of a competitor's participation or intended participation in this event or arising for whatever reason in connection with this event.
- 16.2. By participating in the Championship competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority, the Class Associations and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of competition without compensation.
- 16.3. Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the Organising Authority.
- 16.4. Competitors may be required for interviews and press conferences at the Championship.

17 RISK WARNING

- 17.1 This risk warning is issued jointly by Jervis Bay Sailing Club Inc. (JBSC), WINDSURFING NSW and NSW Roads and Maritime Service, pursuant to the Civil Liability Act 2002, to all persons wishing to participate in the 2024 Raceboard Australian Championships. 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:
 - a) the extremes of weather and sea conditions,
 - b) the potential that control of vessels may be lost, resulting in collision with objects and other vessels,
 - c) the sudden movement of the vessel at any time and the possibility that the participants may fall or be thrown overboard resulting in drowning,
 - d) the possibility that participants may be injured by equipment on the vessel
 - e) the absence of immediate medical care and the likelihood that significant delays may occur before medical care is available,
 - f) exposure to the elements for extended periods.



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- 17.2 The JBSC, WINDSURFING NSW and NSW Roads and Maritime Service also warn participants that regardless of their best intentions, they may be unable to render assistance to participants who may be in distress. Participants are warned to consider the above risks and all other risks before deciding to participate in any sailing event. Participants are notified that although JBSC is covered by third party liability insurance, this cover does not extend to participants. Any participant who considers they have a need for insurance must make their own private arrangements with an insurer. Membership of a Sailing Club affiliated with Australian Sailing entitles you to personal insurance cover through that Australian Sailing membership.
- 17.3 It is the competitor's decision to enter any race or to start and continue in any race. Competitors shall accept that their participation in the race is at their own exclusive risk in every respect. The Organising Authority, their officers, members, servants and agents accept no liability 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 regatta or how so ever arising in connection with the event.
- 17.4 See RRS Fundamental Rule 3 - Decision to Race.
"The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

18 INSURANCE

- 18.1. Each participating board shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10m per event or equivalent. Members of AWA through their respective state class association automatically have their coverage.
- 18.2. AWA Membership of competitors will be checked at Registration.

19 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 19.1 Contact Us – for further information email lissamcm@gmail.com



ATTACHMENT 1

APPROXIMATE RACING AREA

