ACT OPTIMIST CHAMPIONSHIP

28 – 29 October 2017

NOTICE OF RACE

Organising Authority

New South Wales International Optimist Dinghy Association in conjunction with Canberra Yacht Club

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www.optinsw.org.au
NSW International Optimist Dinghy Association in conjunction with Canberra Yacht Club as the Organising Authority will conduct the 2017 ACT Optimist Championship (TT3) on the waters of Lake Burley Griffin from 28-29 October 2017.

1. Rules
1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
1.2 The YA Special Regulations Part 2- Off the Beach Classes and YA Prescriptions will apply.
1.3 The Rules of the International Optimist Dinghy Association (IODA) will apply to the Open and Intermediate fleets only.
1.4 The ISAF Introductory Rules of Sailing (Feb 2008) will apply to the Green Fleet. Limited on-water coaching for all Green Fleet sailors will be provided by the Organising Authority.

2. Advertising
2.1 Advertising will be permitted in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20- Advertising Code. The forward 25% of the hull and the blunt bow is reserved by the regatta organising committee for display of advertising by event sponsor(s).
2.2 All boats may be required to affix a fleet ribbon to their boat’s sprit. Fleet ribbons will be issued by the Organising Authority and will available for collection at registration.

3. Eligibility and Entry
3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Optimist Class that comply with the Class Rules of the International Optimist Dinghy Association. For the Green Fleet, optimist type boats which do not have a measurement certificate, will be permitted at the discretion of the Race Committee.
3.2 All entrants shall have a birth year of 2002 or later. All ages referred to in this NOR are the sailor’s age as at 31 December 2017 otherwise known as ‘Opti Age’.
3.3 All skippers shall be financial members of the NSWIODA or another state / national association recognised by IODA.
3.4 All skippers shall be a member of an Australian Sailing affiliated sailing club. International entrants will also need to provide proof of membership to their country’s ISAF Member National Authority.
3.5 Entry may be made online via [www.optinsw.org.au](http://www.optinsw.org.au) from 29th September 2017 – until the close of entries at 1900hrs on the 24th October 2017.
3.6 Late entries will be accepted online until 1100 hours on 28th October 2017. A late entry fee of $30 will apply.

4. Race Entry Fees
4.1 Required race entry fees are as follows:
   - Entry fee (up to 24/10/2017) $70
   - Late Entry (from 24/10/2017 to 28/10/2017) $100
5. **Schedule of Events**

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6. **Measurement**

6.1 Boats may be inspected for safety equipment and measurement compliance at any time during the regatta.

6.2 Measurers will be available from 0900-1200 on Saturday 28th October to perform sail measurements. A fee of $10 for number measurement and $20 for full sail measurement applies, all money raised will be allocated to Green Fleet development.

6.2 All boats must present their IODA Measurement Book and completed Measurement/Safety Checklist at registration for compliance check. Boats which are unable to present their valid measurement book will be required to complete the application for a replacement /registration update as a condition of entry.

7. **Sailing Instructions**

Printed copies of the sailing instructions will be available at registration and on the internet ([www.optinsw.org.au](http://www.optinsw.org.au)) after 26th October 2017.

8. **Venue**

The regatta will be hosted by Canberra Yacht Club on the waters of Lake Burley Griffin, Canberra, ACT.

9. **Courses**

The courses to be sailed may consist of Windward/Leeward or Triangular courses as described in the Sailing Instructions..

10. **Scoring**

10.1 A maximum of eight (8) races for Open Fleet and Intermediate Fleet will be conducted over two (2) days of racing. A minimum of 2 completed races is required to constitute a series.

10.2 When less than 5 races are completed a boat’s series score shall be the sum of all races.

10.3 When 5 or more races are completed a boat’s series score shall be the sum of all race scores excluding her worst result.

10.4 For the Green Fleet there will be no minimum or maximum number of races.
11. **Support Boats**
11.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay at least 100 metres outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first division to start until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment for all races on the course.
11.2 Support boats shall not signal to competitors by any means during a race.
11.3 Anybody wishing to use a private powerboat during regatta should contact the Canberra Yacht Club to ascertain the ACT requirements for powerboats on Lake Burley Griffin.

12. **Radio Communications**
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 and other means of electronic communication.

13. **Coaching**
The Organising Authority may appoint a coach(es). The appointed coach(es) may provide assistance of a non-tactical nature to competitors in the back half of any fleet in a race. Such assistance shall not constitute “outside assistance” this amends RRS41.

14. **Buoyancy Devices**
In accordance with the YA Special Regulations, Part 2 (Off the Beach Classes), a PFD must be worn by competitors at all times while afloat.

15. **Penalty System**
Arbitration may be used for protests alleging a breach of the rules of Part 2, 4 or Rule 31. The arbitration process will be detailed in full in the sailing instructions.

16. **Prizes**
16.1 Trophies for the Open Fleet will be given as follows:
   - 1st Place Regatta Champion
   - 1st, 2nd, 3rd Male Skippers
   - 1st, 2nd, 3rd Female Skippers
   - 1st ACT Skipper
   - 1st 11yr Old Skipper
16.3 Medals for the Intermediate Fleet will be given as follows:
   - 1st, 2nd, 3rd Male Skippers
   - 1st, 2nd, 3rd Female Skippers
   - 1st ACT Skipper
16.4 Encouragement awards **may** be presented to Green Fleet sailors.
16.5 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.
17. **Disclaimer of Liability**
Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. Attention is drawn to RRS rule 4, Decision to race. The organising authority will not 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**
Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of not less than AUD $5,000,000 (recommended AUD $10,000,000).

19. **Further Information**
For further information please contact:

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President, NSWIODA  
P: 0414778535

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E: admin@canberrayachtclub.com.au  
P: 02 6273 7177
Green Fleet Safety Check

Sailor’s Name: ______________________
Sail Number: ______________________

In green fleet the focus is getting out there and having fun. This means that only the things that keep you safe are included here. When you go to silver or open fleet there are more things to fill out.
If you have any questions, ask the event measurer or one of the organisers. HAVE FUN!

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I have checked that all of the above safety items to ensure they are properly fitted and in serviceable condition and that my boat is READY TO GO!

_____________________________________
Sailors’ Signature

* To prevent sailors being caught, the strop/bridle must be a maximum of 100mm from the boom

** This is the preferred type of mainsheet clip as sailors cannot be caught and it is easily released. If you have a different type of clip, see the event measurer.
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Equipment Declaration Form

Sailor’s Name: ______________________  OPEN FLEET
or
Sail Number: ______________________  INTERMEDIATE FLEET

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This is the preferred snap shackle as sailors cannot be caught and it is easily released. If you have a different clip, see the event measurer.

I declare that the Optimist and equipment referred to in this document to be fully compliant with the International Optimist class rules and will not be changed during the event except as allowed by the Class Rules, SI & NOR.

_______________________________________
Sailor’s Signature