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NOTICE OF RACE

2017-2018 AUSTRALIAN ARROW AND ARAFURA CATAMARAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE 2017-2018 AUSTRALIAN COBRA CATAMARAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS AND THE 2017-2018 STINGRAY CATAMARAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Saratoga Sailing Club
30 December 2017 – 5 January 2018

The organising authority is the Saratoga Sailing Club on behalf of the New South Wales Arrow and Arafura Cadet Association.

1. Rules

The Championships will be governed by the rules as defined in *the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020*, and the prescriptions and Part 2 Special Regulations of Yachting Australia.

2. Eligibility and Entry

2.1 The Championships are open to all boats in the Arrow & Arafura Cadet classes.

2.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and completing registration with the Organising Authority. Entries together with the required fee shall be lodged with the organising authority by posting to NSWACA PO Box 1387 Port Macquarie 2444 by 14 December 2017. Alternatively email entry to surveyor@midcoast.com.au

2.3 Late entries will be received up until the start of heat one accompanied with a late entry fee of \$50.

2.4 Eligible competitors shall be financial members of their respective State Associations and financial members of a Yacht Club currently affiliated with Yachting Australia through the relevant State Authority. Competitors shall provide evidence of their membership by quoting their Yachting Australia membership number on the entry form.

3. Fees

3.1 Required fees are

Entry fees	Arrow	\$220.00
	Arrow Junior	\$180.00
	Arafura Cadet	\$150.00

4. Schedule

4.1 Registration:

Saturday 30 December 2017

From 0900 hrs to 1200 hrs

4.2 Measurement and inspection:

Saturday 30 December 2017

From 0900 hrs to 1200 hrs

4.3 Dates of racing

Invitation Race	Date	Saturday 30	Warning Signal	1355hrs.
Race One	Date	Sunday 31	Warning Signal	1025hrs
Race Two	Date	Sunday 31	Warning Signal	1425hrs.
Lay Day	Date	Monday 1		
Race Three	Date	Tuesday 2	Warning Signal	1355hrs.
Race Four	Date	Tuesday 2	As soon as practical after race 3.	
Race Five	Date	Wednesday 3	Warning Signal	1025hrs.
Race Six	Date	Wednesday 3	Warning Signal	1425 hrs.
Race Seven	Date	Thursday 4	Warning Signal	1355hrs.
Race Eight	Date	Thursday 4	As soon as practical after Race 7.	
Race Nine	Date	Friday 5	Warning Signal	1355hrs.

Notes:

1. Times given are for the first class to start, classes may be started in any order. The Warning Signal for the succeeding classes shall be made at the starting signal of the previous class.
2. Resails if required will be notified on the official notice board no later than 1800 the night before the resail.

5. Measurements

Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate at registration and in addition all sails may be measured by the national measurer or his delegate within the time allowed for measurement or at a mutually agreed time.

6. Sailing Instructions

Sailing instructions will be available after 0900 hrs on 30 December from the registration desk at the Saratoga Sailing Club, and from the National Arrow website from 20th December, 2017.

7. Venue

The venue is the Saratoga Sailing Club on the Central Coast of NSW. The racing area will be in the waters of Brisbane Waters.

8. Courses

Courses to be sailed will be triangle windward return for all classes for long races, and windward leeward courses for the shorter back to back races and will be described in the sailing instructions.

9. Scoring:

9.1 The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A.4.1 will apply.

9.2 Five races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

9.3 When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

9.4 When six or seven races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

9.5 When eight or nine races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst two scores.

10. 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 phones.

11. Prizes

Prizes: will be given as follows: outright placing's, handicap, and special categories. Perpetual trophies will be provided to the major winners.

12. Buoyancy

Local laws require as a minimum, a Personal Floatation Device (PFD) Type 2, (made in accordance to Australian Standard AS 1499 or European Standard EN 393 -1993 –50N or equivalent) be worn at all times while sailing. See Rule 1.2.

13. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors sail at their own risk. The Organising Authority and all parties involved in the organisation of 2017-2018 Australian Arrow and Arafura Catamaran National Championships accept no responsibility or liability for any loss, damage or injury that may occur to any person or property, whether ashore or afloat , as a consequence of participation in the Championships or otherwise. The Organising Authority and all parties involved in the Championships disclaim any and all such liability. This Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions in no way limit or reduce the complete and unlimited responsibilities of a competitor for the management and care of a boat she or he may be sailing in the Championships. **See rule 4, Decision to Race.**

14. Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD \$5,000,000.

15. Further Information

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2017-18 Australian Arrow and Arafura Cadet National Titles

Saratoga Sailing Club

30/12/2017 – 05/01/2018

Name: _____

Address: _____

Post Code: _____

Phone: (Home) _____ **(Work)** _____

Yachting Australia Membership No: _____

Class: _____ **Boat Name:** _____

Sail No: _____ **Hull Colour:** _____ **Entry Fee: \$**

Insurance company: _____ **Policy Number:** _____

Junior (U18 as at 1/1/18) _____ **Veteran (over 40 as at 1/1/18)** _____

Please make cheques payable to: **NSWAACA - EFT BSB 062-592 Acct 0090-1572. Include entrants name as reference on EFT receipt.** Return completed and signed form to surveyor@midcoast.com.au or post to PO Box 1387, Port Macquarie, 2444

Entry Declaration:

I agree to be bound by the racing rules of the ISAF and all other rules that govern the Event, with which I will make myself clear. I acknowledge that Rule 4 – Decision to Race, places me solely responsible for deciding whether or not to start or to continue on the boat. I further acknowledge and agree that in consideration of the Notice of Race clause 13 'Entry Disclaimer', that subject to my entry into this Event being accepted (without any obligation on your part to accept it), my participation is at my own risk.

Signed _____ Date _____