



RC LASER CHAMPIONSHIP OF NATIONS 2017

MONDAY 6TH NOVEMBER 2017 TO SATURDAY 11TH NOVEMBER 2017

AUSTRALIAN RADIO YACHTING ASSOCIATION (Inc.)
PARADISE RADIO YACHT CLUB (Inc.)
EMERALD LAKES, GOLD COAST
QUEENSLAND, AUSTRALIA

NOTICE OF RACE

1 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

This regatta is organised under the overall authority of the Australian Radio Yachting Association Incorporated (ARYA) and conducted by the Paradise Radio Yacht Club Inc. and its duly appointed Race Committee.

2 RULES

2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 as amended by Appendix E (Radio Sailing Racing Rules).

2.2 The following documents will apply: This Notice of Race (NoR), the event's Sailing Instructions (SI), the RC Laser Class Rules as prescribed by Out There Technologies and the Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS). The RC Laser is a strict, one design boat manufactured by Out There Technologies. The primary purpose of the RC Laser Class Rules is to regulate all RC Laser boats, used for racing, to be equal in boat speed. The boats competing in The Championship of Nations 2017 shall be presented and maintained with regard to this ethos.

2.3 The current ARYA approved Heat Management System (HMS) will apply in the event that multiple fleets are utilized.

2.4 The following Racing Rules will be changed:

E3.1: The control area will be defined on the course board.

E3.2: Launching area will be specified on the course board

E3.3: The course will be displayed on a course Board.

E3.6: Following a general recall, Rule 30.1 shall apply to the restart"

E3.8(c): Courses may be shortened.

E5.1(a): The race committee will appoint Observers, who may be competitors.

E6.4: Add “but prior to the preparatory signal for the next heat or race.”

The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 The competition is open to competitors from countries sailing RC Lasers, within the limit of 84 entries. (Five heats / four boats promotion.) Entry will be denied to anyone who has been expelled or is currently serving a suspension from the ARYA (Inc) or any state or territory RC sailing association affiliated with the ARYA (Inc).

3.2 The following class will be sailed:

RC Laser

3.3 Invitations to enter and to pay the entry fee will be extended after the opening of the appropriate round and in order of **registrations** received. Entries will be confirmed by receipt of the entry fee, before the close of the appropriate round. Entries will be posted on www.lasers2017.org

Register HERE You are encouraged to register early.

3.4 a. Entry rounds are as follows:

Overseas and Australian first round of entries open December 2016

Overseas first round of entries closes 28th February 2017

Overseas second round of entries opens 1st July 2017 and closes 30th April 2017

Australian first round of entries closes 30th April 2017

Australian second round of entries opens 1st July 2017 and closes 30th September 2017

Late entries may be accepted

b. Overseas first round places are allocated to:

Americas, 15 places

Europe, 15 places

Other overseas countries, 15 places

These allocations may be changed for the Overseas second round.

c. Australia, first round 35 places

This allocation may be changed for the Australian second round.

d. Guest places may be allocated and may remain open until the beginning of The Championship of Nations

e. Effort will be made to ensure that everyone wanting to compete will be allocated a place.

4 FEES

4.1 Required fees are as follows:

Fee payable on entry AUD 180.00

Included in this fee are: Race entry fee, Welcome Function, Presentation Dinner and light lunches for the competitor on each racing day.

5 EVENT SCHEDULE

5.1 RC Laser Championship of Nations, 6th November 2017 to 11th November 2017

5.2 Day One: Monday 6th November 2017

Registration: From 09.00 to 14.00

Practice sailing From 13.00 to 16.00

Welcome function: Lake Front Bistro: 18.00

Day Two: Tuesday 7th November 2017

Briefing commences: 0.930

Warning signal for first race: 10.00

Racing concludes: No heat will commence after 16.00

Days Three and Four: Wednesday 8th and Thursday 9th November 2017:

Briefing commences: 0.930

Warning signal for first race: 10.00

Racing concludes: No heat will commence after 16.00

Day Five: 10th November 2017:

Lay Day (This may be used for racing if required.)

Final Day: Saturday 11th November 2017:

Briefing commences: 09.30

Warning signal for first race: 10.00

Racing concludes: The final race will not commence after 15.00

Presentation function: Lake Front Bistro: 18.00

5.3 A break for lunch will be included at approximately 12.30 on each racing day, at the discretion of the PRO. Lunch will be taken at a time to best fit in with the racing.

A light lunch will be provided to competitors and officials on each racing day. Additional lunches can be ordered at a charge of AUD10.00 each, prior to 10.00 on each racing day.

6 MEASUREMENTS

All registration formalities must be completed by 14.00, 6th November 2017.

7 FREQUENCIES

For frequency bands other than 2.4 Ghz, each competitor shall nominate a minimum of three (3) frequencies with their entry. Permitted frequency bands are 27, 29, 36, 40 Mhz and 2.4 Ghz.

8 PERSONAL SAIL NUMBERS

8.1 Personal sail numbers will not be permitted for this event. Sail numbers shall be the last two digits of the boat hull number. In case of duplication, the second entrant will be instructed to carry the numeral 1 in front of the sail number.

9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Event website: www.lasers2017.org and a copy will be placed on the Event Noticeboard prior to the commencement of racing.

10 VENUE

The event will be sailed at:

Lakeside Drive

Emerald Lakes (Map reference: UBD 38 H 13)

Carrara

Gold Coast

Queensland 4221

Australia

Launching details: Dry launching will be available.

11 COURSES

Where possible, the course will comprise a first leg and a finish leg to windward. The course will generally be a windward / leeward course utilizing a gate at the leeward end of the course.

The Race Committee will attempt to set a course which will take approximately 10 to 15 minutes for the first boat to complete.

12 PENALTY SYSTEM AND PROTESTS

12.1 RRS 44.1 is amended by E4.3: Taking a Penalty.

12.2 The Arbitration System for Protest Hearings (Sailing Instructions Appendix A) will not be used.

12.3 A Protest Committee will be appointed to hear any protests arising from the event and may comprise competitors not involved in the incident. RRS 61.2 and 62.2 may

be replaced by a verbal notification and hearing if all parties affected by the incident agree.

12.4 Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

13 SCORING

The scoring system is as follows:

- a. For single heat racing the RRS A4 will apply.
- b. For multi fleet racing RRS A4 as amended by HMS and the Event Sailing Instruction shall apply.
- c. Where there are fewer than 21 competitors, the event may be sailed in one fleet.

14 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

The Perpetual Trophy will be awarded for The Championship of Nations.

Trophies will be awarded for first, second and third places based on event results.

Trophies will be awarded for first, second and third places of Australian competitors.

The Australian States Team Trophy will be awarded.

15 CONDUCT

The Australian Radio Yachting Association Inc and the Paradise Radio Yacht Club recognise that all events offer considerable publicity opportunities to Clubs, Associations and the sport generally. Competitor behaviour can impact unfavourably on the sport and all competitors.

Behaviour by a competitor that is in breach of good manners or sportsmanship or which may bring the sport into disrepute shall result in a hearing in accordance with RRS 2 or RRS69.1 or the PRO may offer a competitor a two turns on the spot penalty to avoid going to protest. However, the PRO is not obliged to make this offer, nor is a competitor obliged to accept it in which case a protest hearing shall proceed.

16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

All those entering or taking part in these Championships do so at their own risk and responsibility. See Rule 4. The Australian Radio Yachting Association (Incorporated), Paradise Radio Yacht Club and any other parties involved in the organisation of this event disclaim:

“Any and every responsibility whatsoever for loss, material damage, personal injury or death, or inconvenience that might occur to persons and goods, both ashore and

on the water, prior to, during or after the regatta, as a consequence of entering or participating in the Championship covered by this Notice of Race.”

Prospective entrants will be asked when completing the Application for Registration form, whether the entrant is, through his or her National Radio Controlled Sailing Organisation (or as a consequence of membership of a recognised Radio Controlled Sailing Club in their country of domicile) affiliated with the IRSA. If the entrant is unable to confirm this, short term membership of the hosting Club in Australia will be offered, and required, at a cost to the entrant of AUD11.00 for the duration of The Championship of Nations.

At all times the responsibility for the safety of their boat and themselves plus the decision to participate or continue must rest solely with and remain at all times with the competitors.

A competitor may only enter the event by accepting these conditions as they appear on the entry form for this event.

17 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact: cofn@gmail.com