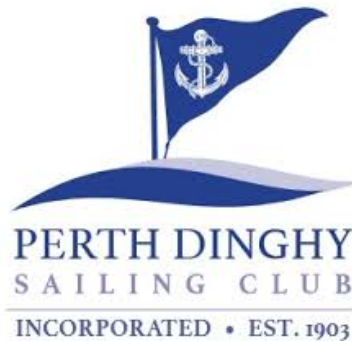




2019 Western Australian Championships

6th-8th December 2019

Hosted by



and the

Australian International O'pen Skiff Association



NOTICE OF RACE



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1. RULES

1.1 Gold Fleet

1.2 The regatta will be governed by World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 – 2020.

1.3 The Australian Sailing Regulations Part 2 (for off the beach boats) shall apply

1.4 Silver Fleet

1.5 The regatta will be governed by World Sailing Introductory Rules for Racing Attachment 2.

1.6 Silver Fleet competitors will also be subject to World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 – 2020, Rules 26, 29 and 32.

1.7 Silver fleet boats will be required to tie a pink ribbon to the peak of their sail. This ribbon will be supplied by the Organizing Authority at registration.

1.8 Top Gun Challenge

1.9 The rules for this event are set-out in Attachment 1. It is a fun event and does not count as part of the O'pen Skiff Championships.

1.10 Rules Education

1.11 The race committee may host session(s) on sailing rules prior to the racing with attendance by all sailors competing in the event.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1 The World Sailing Eligibility code will apply.

2.2 The regatta is open to boats of the O'pen Skiff Class. Sailors may use sails supplied by O'pen Skiff Inc. (Monofilm or Dacron, 4.5 or 3.8 m²) but only one sail may be used during the regatta. Equipment substitution is not permitted unless damaged and prior approval has been sought from the race committee. Gold Fleet competitors to compete with 4.5 m² sail.

2.3 All sailors must be financial members of a yacht club affiliated with Yachting Australia Inc.

2.4 Silver Fleet- Entry is available for those competing in their first WA O'Pen Skiff Cup, or for entrants approved by the organising authority. The spirit of Silver fleet sailing is to encourage new or younger sailors to participate in racing.

2.5 Gold Fleet- Age Divisions:

- U13 Division: (under 13 as at Dec 7th 2019)

- Open Division: (under 17 as at Dec 7th 2019)

2.6 Enter online at <https://openskiff.org.au/whats-on>

2.7 Entries close 6th December 2019

3. Fees

Entry Fee - \$90

A small processing fee is charged by the register now website on the entry portal.



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4. SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Event
Friday 6th December	16:00	Registration Open
	16:00	Delivery of boats
	18:00	Top Gun – Slalom Event
	19:00	Sausage Sizzle & Bar – Parents & Friends welcome
Saturday 7th December	08:00	Registrations Open
	08:30	Volunteers Briefing
	09:00 – 12.30	Welcome and Competitors Briefing Racing Session 1
	12:30 – 13:30	Lunch
	14:00 – 16:00 16:00 – 18:00	Racing Session 2 Freestyle Rally and Parents Race
	Evening	Family Meal Night
Sunday 8th December	09:00	Warning Signal Sailing Day 2.
	ASAP after sailing	Subsequent races to follow Prize Giving

Notes:

1. It is intended to complete at least 8 races (weather permitting)
2. No warning signal will be made after 15:00 hrs on Sunday 9th December.
3. Other PDSC fleets and RPYC will be sharing the river on Sat.7th Dec. The races shall be coordinated to minimise disruption.

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available at PDSC at registration Friday 6th December 2019 and for download via the O'Pen Skiff Regatta website from Friday 6th December 2019: <https://www.registernow.com.au>

6. VENUE

- 6.1 Swan River, in Matilda Bay adjacent to Perth Dinghy Sailing Club, Crawley.
- 6.2 The PDSC canteen will be open throughout the regatta where food and drinks may be purchased. The PDSC Bar in the main clubhouse will also be open in the afternoon and evenings. Competitors, parents and friends are encouraged to use the facilities.
- 6.3 The PDSC club operates with volunteers and welcomes assistance in the canteen and on the water. Volunteers are most welcome.



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7. THE COURSES

- 7.1 The courses to be sailed will be outlined in the Sailing Instructions.
- 7.2 The courses shall be either windward/leeward or Trapezoid configurations.

8. PROTEST ARBITRATION

- 8.1 Protests arising from participation in this regatta shall be subject to arbitration as detailed in the Sailing Instructions.
- 8.2 The race committee may provide on water judges for the purposes of identifying rule infringements and signalling the requirement for a penalty.

9. SCORING

- 9.1 The Low Point Scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 9.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
 - A. When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - B. When five to eight races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her series scores excluding her worst score.
 - C. When more than eight races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her series scores excluding her worst two scores.

10. SUPPORT BOATS

Once the Preparatory Signal is displayed, all private spectator and coach boats shall keep clear and 50 meters outside the course area and to leeward of all competitors when racing. The course area is defined as the area a boat is likely to sail in. Any official or race committee support boat providing assistance to a Silver Fleet competitor shall be registered, keep clear of other competitors and shall be considered part of the boat under rule 23 when assisting a boat capsized or not in control. Rule 41 will not apply to a Silver fleet competitor where they receive outside help from a race committee support boat and may continue to race without penalty.

11. AUDIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, 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.

12. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded as follows for the overall results:

- Gold Fleet:
 - Open: 1st, 2nd, 3rd
 - U13: 1st
- Silver Fleet:
 - Overall: 1st, 2nd, 3rd
- Best new skipper at State Titles

In addition, other encouragement prizes will be awarded.



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13. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing 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.

14. **INSURANCE**

14.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$AUD10 million per event or the equivalent. All competitors that complete the entry process are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover.

14.2 Third Party and Boat insurance can be purchased for a modest fee at www.nautilusinsurance.com.au

15. **RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS**

In participating, a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authorities, the Coordinating Authorities and the sponsors, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition in which the competitor participates and in, and all material related to the said event without compensation.

16. **AMENDMENTS**

Any amendments to this Notice of Race will be posted on line at:

<https://www.registernow.com.au>

17. **FURTHER INFORMATION**

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Attachment: 1

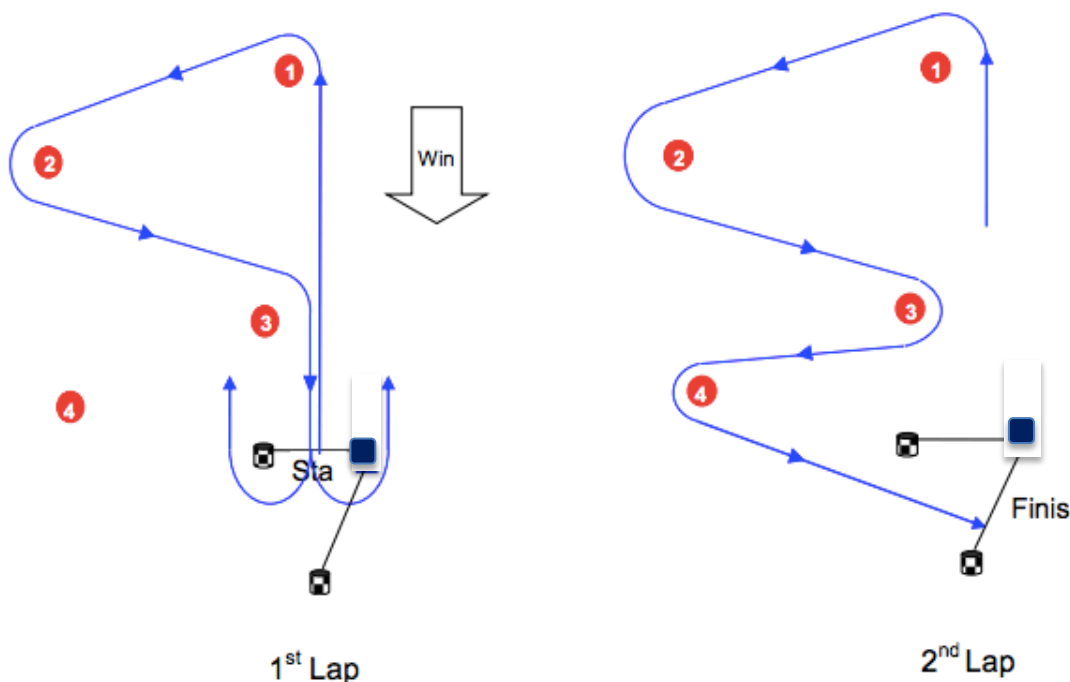


OPEN SKIFF TOP GUN

Sailing Instructions: (Rules may be adapted at the event)

1. Enter and receive a random Top Gun Name (Shooter, Maverick, Iceman, Slider etc).
2. 4 Boats to be used rigged on beach. Boats identified by a color flag on mast
3. 4 boats in each heat.
4. Start / Finish close to beach. 2 laps as shown with the finish close to the clubhouse.
5. Marshall Boat moves from start, around the race and to the finish.
6. 3 min countdown air horn from beach 3min (*) / 2min (**) / 1 min (*) / Go (long)
7. Commentary and crowd support from club with PA system, tunes and feedback from Marshall.
8. Top two places through to another round. (Races approx. 10 minutes)
9. Sailing rules apply – port & starboard / buoy room / on water Mashall in the field.
10. Marshall boat raises a flag with the boats color for penalty 1 turn
11. Final race determines the result.

Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – Start (Gate) – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – Finish



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Attachment: 2 – Racing Rules



Introductory Rules for Racing

Version 1.01 - February 2008

Some Explanations

Windward and Leeward: The *leeward* side of your boat is the side where your mainsail lies. The *windward* side is the other side.

Port and Starboard tack: You are on *port* or *starboard* tack according to your *windward* side.

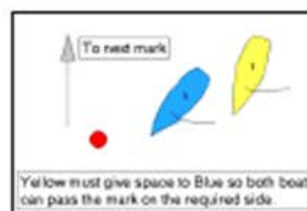
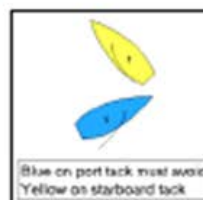
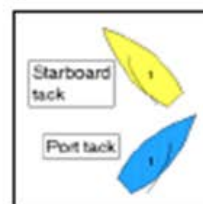
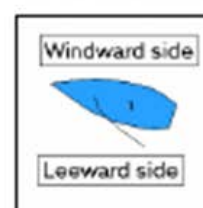
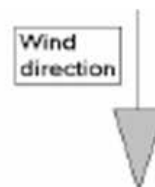
Advisor: A person appointed by the race organizers to assist competitors in understanding the rules and, when appropriate, to penalize a boat.

Basic Rules

1. You must comply with the principles of good sportsmanship.
2. You must try not to collide with another boat.

Rules When Boats Meet

3. When you and the other boat are on opposite *tacks*, if you are on *port* tack you must avoid the boat on *starboard* tack.
4. When you and the other boat are on the same *tack*, you must avoid the other boat
 - (a) if she is in front of you, or
 - (b) if she is on your *leeward* side.
5. After starting, when you and the other boat approach a mark or an object that both boats need to avoid, and the other boat is between you and the mark or other object, you must give her sufficient space to pass it safely on the same side. However, when the boats are on opposite *tacks* at a windward mark, this rule does not apply.
6. When the other boat is required to avoid you, if you change course, you must give the other boat an adequate opportunity to avoid you.



Other Rules

7. At the starting signal you must be behind the starting line.
8. After the starting signal, you must sail the course described by the race organizers.
9. You must not touch a mark of the course that is a committee vessel.
10. If you think you or another boat has broken a rule or if you are unclear about the rules at any time during the race, you must describe the incident to the *advisor* after the race. The *advisor* may then add two points to the score of any boat that has broken a rule. If the offence is serious, the *advisor* may add extra points to the boat's score.