



Performance Sailing News



2021 Optimist World Championships

SA Sailing wishes the Oppie team of Theodor Scheder-Bieschin, Elisa Falcon, Sean Kavanagh and Nicola Sadler, Mark Sadler (Coach) and Stefan Falcon (manager) currently competing at the Optimist World Championships in Rova del Garda, Italy all the very best.

Join us as we follow their Journey by [clicking here](#)

Check out the video from the opening ceremony in Italy:

<https://www.facebook.com/optimistrivaworld/videos/559313515477842>

Call for Expression of Interest: Olympic Games Paris 2024

This year marks the start of the next quadrennial towards the next Olympic Games. SA Sailing has now registered the SAST (Pty) Ltd NPC company as an independent entity from the federation to provide support and structure around the sailors working towards selection at key international events. To that end we would like to invite any sailors (in any of the medal categories applicable for these Games) who are considering campaigning towards the 2024 Games to note their Expression of Interest with SA Sailing to help ensure that the necessary communications, support and mentoring can effectively reach the interested parties. The Expression of Interest form is available on the SA Sailing Performance website or can be accessed by click here (<https://www.sailing.org.za/surveys/2099/>)

2021 Offshore European and World Championships

The double handed mixed offshore European Championship, followed by the double handed mixed offshore World Championship will take place in Italy from 26 August to 26 September 2021.

Anyone interested in competing at the event should email their expression of interest to lucydf@sailing.org.za for consideration by **7 July 2021**.

The final determination of nominated participants will reside with the SAST committee and be based on recent results and perceived future potential.

Follow the link for the Notice of Race and further information:

[2021 EUROSAF Mixed Two-Person ALILAURO Offshore European Championship - South African Sailing](#)

World Sailing invitation to join PDP Programme

World Sailing is inviting countries to apply for the 2021 Para Sailing Development Programme (PDP).

The dates of this PDP clinic are **Thursday, 30 September – Saturday, 2 October 2021** (three days). Participants will be asked to arrive on Wednesday, 29 September and then will remain to participate in the 2021 Hansa Class World Championships, departing on Sunday, 10 October 2021.

The PDP will be held at the fully accessible venue – Lega Navale Italiana, Palermo Centro, the same venue that will host the championships.

Each country wishing to be part of the 2021 PDP is asked to complete a registration form for a maximum total of four persons that they wish to nominate to attend the clinic, and the nomination is limited to:

- Maximum of two sailors, with preference given to female and/or youth under 19 years of age
- One recognised coach who must be over 18 years of age
- One additional person is also eligible to attend. This person must be either an official SA Sailing representative, a team leader or a care giver, if required to support a specific sailor or sailors

Successful applications will receive the following support from World Sailing

- 50 per cent of return economy travel costs for one coach and two sailors. (to max value as stated by World Sailing - 300 pounds). Care givers are not covered in this and costs will need to be covered independently
- All cost of airport transfers to and from the training venue in the host nation
- Accommodation for sailing and coaches will be arranged close to the venue for the duration of the PDP and the Hansa World Championships
- All costs of food for all participants (coach and sailors)
- All costs for equipment charter (boats) for sailors.
- All costs not covered by the World Sailing subsidy will be for the team's own expense.

Teams wishing to make application to SA Sailing for nomination should do so by 10 August 2021 and can do so by visiting <https://www.sailing.org.za/surveys/2441/> to download the clinic application form and to complete the online expression of interest form.

SA Sailing will only consider making applications for SA Sailing members in good standing who are holders of RSA passports. The final decision will lie with the SA Sailing SAST board and will be subject to perceived future potential of nominated candidates.

Calling all instructors and coaches to sign up for SASCA Coaching Membership

The South African Sports Coaching Association (SASCA) was established on 8 June 2019 by SASCOC (South African Sports Confederation and Olympic Committee) as an independent NPC (Non-Profit Company) as the only multi-coded sports coaching professional body of South Africa.



SASCA was formed to enhance the integrity, relevance and standing of the profession of sport coaching that will benefit athletes, participants, and society by providing performance development services to the membership registered with SASCA.

SASCA launched and began advertising their membership offering at the end of 2019 and are now again inviting all persons who act as coaches at all levels to consider membership. As a SASCA member you will represent a prestigious and diverse sports coaching community where you will enjoy a unique opportunity of networking, growing your personal and professional development. A full breakdown of the various membership options and the benefits associated with each can be found here: <https://sasca.cdpsports.co.za/>. Full details on the coaching pathway and the criteria for all levels can also be found on their website.

The above has all been put in place by SASCOC to help ensure that all the necessary eligibility requirements for persons acting as coaches for any national team representing South Africa at international competitions are provided for and are suitably accredited to meet these eligibility requirements.

MUST READ: International Participation Notification and Covid Vaccine Update

SASCOC and the Department of Sports Art and Culture (DSAC) have been inundated with requests for assistance and support for athletes and officials to be vaccinated to enable them to travel to compete at their upcoming continental and global tournaments.

It must be noted that this kind of a request cannot be processed without a consultation with the leading Department of Health on the matter. It is also important to note that as a sector they manage this process in a coordinated manner.

They have thus requested that all national federations submit details of athletes and officials that need to be vaccinated with all supporting documents. This includes the Application for International Participation forms.

Any sailors wanting to participate in international events are reminded that these requests should be lodged with SASCOC at least 30 days before the date of departure.

The link to the form, to lodge all the required information is available on the SA Sailing Performance page or can be accessed directly via <https://www.sailing.org.za/surveys/960/>

Please be advised that this does not guarantee that the Department of Health will approve this request, however SASCOC and DSAC will engage and assist in this regard.