

2018 NEWC ANNUAL REGATTA

Notice of Race

Organising Body: North East Windsport Club (NEWC)

Venue: NEWC Headquarters (NEW HQ) Springhurst Recreation Reserve Cnr Anzac Rd & Developmental Rd Springhurst, Vic, 3682

Date: 6th & 7th October 2018

Sailing Instructions

1. SCHEDULE

Schedule	Time	Date	Venue
Practice	2 pm	Fri 5 th October	NEW HQ
Community Dinner (Pay at counter)	6 pm	Fri 5 th October	Hall
Registration, Scrutineering	9 am	Sat 6 th October	NEW HQ
Competitors Briefing	9:30 am	Sat 6 th October	NEW HQ
Racing Day 1	10am – 5 pm	Sat 6 th October	NEW HQ
Dinner & Social	6 pm	Sat 6 th October	Hall
Competitor Briefing	9am	Sun 7 th October	NEW HQ
Racing Day 2	9:30 am – 2.30 pm.	Sun 7 th October	NEW HQ
Presentations	3pm	Sun 7 th October	Hall

2. COMPETITOR ELIGIBILITY

All competitors must be members of an IBRA recognised body through either direct memberships or through a member club. The NEWC will make available Casual Membership at a nominal cost of \$20.

3. ENTRIES AND FEES

Competition entry fee:

Normal Entry Fee	ABA/IBRA member	\$120
Early Booking Entry Fee	Before COB Fri 28 th September	\$100
Additional Category Entry Fee		\$30
Additional Sat Night Dinner		\$30
Protest Fee		\$20.00

Saturday Night Dinner (incl glass of wine) or BYO (No alcohol sales)	Depending on dietary requirements	<u>Included</u> (Or contact us)
Lunches/Morning/Afternoon Tea	Depending on dietary requirements	Included (Or contact us)
Camping Fees	Friday night to Sunday night at the Hall.	<u>Included</u> (+ \$10/night for extra site)

4. RULES

4.1 RACING RULES AND PROCEDURES

All racing will be conducted under the International Blokart Racing Association (IBRA) rules.

- 4.1a Following scrutineering, competitors will be issued with an identifier indicating that the Blokart conforms to the rules.
- 4.1b Competitors will also be issued with race numbers. These are to be placed over the pulley whip.
- 4.1c Logos or decorations that are considered by the scrutineers to be offensive must be removed.
- 4.1d Competitors are not to enter the racing area unless they are a registered competitor for the race, unless directed to do so by a race official or in an emergency. This does not preclude during designated practice periods.
- 4.1e No competitor or spectator shall approach the timing areas unless directed by a race official. Any questions or concerns must be raised with the Principle Race Officer.
- 4.1f All competitors and spectators must remain clear of the starting area and must allow the race timing operators a clear view of the start line at all times.
- 4.1g When not racing, Blokarts must be secured in the pit area and lying on their sides.

The Principle Race Officer may penalise a competitor not obeying these rules with a disqualification for the previous or next race at the Principle Race Officer's discretion.

The Starting sequence is as follows:

Two (2) minute warning signal (sound with verbal count in).

One (1) minute attention signal (sound and raised green flag)

Thirty (30) second prep signal (sound and horizontal green flag)

Zero (0) second start signal (sound and horizontal green flag removed)

All sounds / signals are for courtesy only, in the case of a sound signal failure verbal instruction and flags will prevail. The failure of a sound or signal will not automatically abort the race.

In the event of a competitor being on the course side of the start line prior to the start signal (i.e. A jumped start) a BLACK flag will be raised and lowered when error corrected. It is the competitor's sole responsibility to return to the course side in accordance with rule G1 should they feel that they were on course side at the starting signal. On course side competitors will be judged solely by the starter. Competitors will not be identified verbally or otherwise and a competitor must start correctly before proceeding to the first mark. Failure to do so will result in the competitor being penalised one lap of the course.

Flag signals to be used are:

Green Flag: displayed to show time remaining to the start

vertical = one (1) minute remaining,

horizontal = thirty (30) seconds remaining,

removed at start.

Black Flag: Competitors on course side before start

Red & White Flag: Racing abandoned

Orange Flag: Race Shortened

Chequered Flag: Displayed at the end of the race timed period. When displayed competitors are to continue racing until they have crossed the finish line at which time they are considered to have finished the race, regardless of the number of laps they have completed.

Alter Rule F.5

The race officer will notify the protested competitor of the protest, at which time the protested competitor may elect to withdraw from the race, (counted as a RAF in the scoring) ask for mediation as described in F.6, or complete the remainder of the protest form in order to defend the action.

This Notice of Race & Sailing Instructions may be superseded by the amended Sailing Instructions when issued.

5. CATEGORIES, DIVISIONS, MEASUREMENT AND EQUIPMENT

5.1 CATEGORIES

The two categories to be sailed are Production and Performance.

Both Categories will be sailed in accordance with the IBRA rules for equipment (Part B).

5.2 DIVISIONS

Each category will be spilt in to two proposed weight divisions:-

Light Weights: under 90kg

Heavy Weights: 90.1 kg & over

These weight divisions are approximate. The organisers have the authority to modify the specified weights depending on the number of entries in each division. It is intended to have a minimum of 5 and a maximum of 15 per division

Sailors are to present to registration in normal clothing. The minimum clothing to be worn at weigh in is a tee shirt and shorts or skirt along with normal enclosed shoes. The maximum clothing to be worn is a long sleeve shirt, trousers. No items may be carried in pockets. Jackets, wet weather clothing, helmets, gloves and weight belts are not to be worn.

Weights will be measured in Kilograms to a tolerance of 0.1kg.

5.3 MEASUREMENT & EQUIPMENT

All blokarts must meet the current IBRA rules at the time of an event. It will be the scrutineers discretion to pass or deny a modification that exhausts the boundaries of the rules.

6. ADVERTISING

Sponsorship arrangements may require competitors to carry advertising on their Blokart pod or sails. Information on the size and location of the advertising will be provided with the Sailing Instructions at registration.

7. SERIES FORMAT, COURSES & SCORING

7.1 SERIES FORMAT

The series will consist of a minimum of four (4) races.

No maximum number of races will be set

Racing will take place in a lap format

A competitor is not deemed to have started his first lap until he crosses the start line on or after the start siren. A competitor who is on the course side (OCS) when the start siren sounds and does not recross the start line before rounding the first mark will be scored OCS.

Races may not be run in full complete rounds of class and division, and the order of races is at the discretion of the Principle Race Officer only.

7.2 COURSES

Race durations will be determined to give a target of between three (3) and five (5) laps for the leaders during the time period.

Courses, where possible, will include a windward leg of significant length to provide tactical racing. The course orientation, length and shape are at the sole discretion of the Principle Race Officer.

All competitors must pass through the Start/Finish line each lap to have their lap recorded.

It is intended to abandon a race if wind gusts exceed 90 kph or more than half the fleet is stalled.

7.3 SCORING

A low point score system will be used for scoring the series based on the scratch position as follows, 1st place = 1pt, 2nd place = 2pts, 3rd place = 3pts and so on.

Ties will be broken by count back of the number of 1st places, with the sailor with the highest number of 1st places being awarded the higher place. If the tie remains, a count back of the number of 2nd places will take place. If the tie is still not broken a count back of the number of 3rd places, 4th places and so on will take place until the tie is resolved. If after exhausting all count backs the tie remains unresolved the best positioned competitor in the last race will determine the winner. Dropped races are not counted when counting back for the purpose of breaking a tie.

After race eight (8), a competitor's worst single race result may be dropped (omitted) from the final series tally. A second worst race result may be dropped (omitted) from the final series tally after race sixteen (16) and a third dropped after race twenty-four (24). Dropped (omitted) race results may come from any race and are not limited to the block of races in which the drop was granted. I.e. after twenty-two (24) races, three (3) drops are allocated, these may come from any of the twenty-four (24) races, so that 7 out of 8 races are counted.

Did Not Finish (DNF), Did Not Start (DNS), Disqualification (DSQ) & Retired at Finish (RAF) will be scored as Number of Competitors +1 More than one will be scored equally

On Course Side (OCS) will be penalised one lap of the course giving them last place = number of competitors in the division. More than one OCS shall be scored equally.

All breaches of the above rules shall be referred to the scrutinising committee or protest committee for ruling.

8. PRIZES

8.1 DIVISIONAL PRIZES

1st & 2nd places for each division shall be awarded a trophy. Other place getters and/or spot prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the event organisers.

9. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

9.1 LIABILITY

All competitors as a condition of entry must accept the following waiver.

WAIVER: In consideration for the right to participate in this event, I hereby hold the North East Windsport Club, and any person associated with the event harmless and release them from any and all liability in connection with my participation in the 2017 State Titles. I further agree that the event may use without restriction any photograph, films or tapes in which I may appear for any purpose whatsoever.

Please note: By agreeing on behalf of a participant less than eighteen (18) years old, the parent/guardian also expressly agrees to the above. In agreeing to this waiver I am stating; I have read it and understand it.

All competitors will be asked to accept these terms when entering and again during registration.

9.2 INSURANCE

9.2.1 PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE

The NEWC as the organising committee carries Public Liability Insurance for all competitors during official races and practice times.

Any sailing outside of the official race area and official sailing times is undertaken at your OWN RISK and separate Public Liability Insurance is recommended by the NEWC.

9.2.2 PERSONAL INSURANCE

The NEWC does not carry personal insurance for any competitors. The NEWC highly recommends that you, as a competitor or spectator, organise your own personal property and medical insurance where appropriate.

Australian competitors are covered by Medicare and any personal medical insurance they may have. The Australian government has reciprocal arrangements in place with many countries that may entitle some international competitors and their families to free or subsidised medical care, however please check with your own government to verify whether separate cover is required. Also, check http://www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/enablers/medicare/reciprocal-health-care-agreements/health-care-for-visitors-to-australia for further details.

10. FURTHER INFORMATION

10.1 CONTACTS

For further event information & inquiries please contact Michael Reid on 0406 269 729

E: <u>winery@auldstone.com.au</u>

10.2 ACCOMODATION

Free camping for competitors at Springhurst Rec Reserve. \$10/site/night for others.

Other accommodation:

- Springhurst Butter Factory: https://www.booking.com/hotel/au/butter-factory

- Carriers Arms Hotel, Springhurst : <u>http://www.gdaypubs.com.au/VIC/springhurst/54824/former-carriers-arms-hotel.html</u>

ENTRY FORM

2018 NEWC Annual Regatta

Organising Body: North East Windsport Club Inc

(For full details please read the Notice of Race & Sailing Instructions document.)

Complete electronically and email to winery@auldstone.com.au

OR Post to: NEWC, PO Box 496, Wangaratta, Vic 3677

ENTRY DETAILS: (One entry per competitor)

Name: (first)	(last)	
Postal Address:		
Country:	Phone:	
Email (mandatory):		
ABA/IBRA AFFILIATED CLUB:		_
Race weightkg	Category: Performance/Production/Both (Please cire	cle)
Weight divisions may be chan	ged at the discretion of the organizers depending on	entry numbers.

Racers will be weighed at the event and weight divisions will be allocated by the race committee.

CATEGORY: Performance /Production / Both (please circle)

Entry Fees

NUMBER	CATEGORY	AMOUNT
	Race Entry - \$100 or \$120 late entry	\$
	Additional Category Fee - \$30	\$
	Additional Sat Night Dinner - \$30 ea	\$
	Additional Camp Site - \$10 per night	\$
	TOTAL	= \$

Note: IBRA rules apply. Competitors may enter in either Production or Performance Blokarts or both.

Production and Performance Blokarts will race separately to allow competitors to compete in both categories. However please note that races **will not** be delayed for competitors to change karts

between races. If you enter in dual categories, it is your responsibility to be ready for racing in each category. Separate pulley whip numbers will be issued for each category.

Payment Details

Cheque or cash on the day.

Direct Debit: (Please ensure you put your name on the transfer).

Acc: North East Windsport Club BSB 633-000 Account No: 143407807

Release and Indemnity

In consideration for your permitting registration of this child(ren) or yourself to participate in the following Blokart sailing activities, the participant(s) does hereby release North East Windsport Club and all affiliated and associated organisations, together with their representatives, members or agents, of and from any and all demands of any kind or nature whatsoever, arising out of or in any way related to any participation in such activities, including any personal injury or death which may be suffered or incurred as a result of participation in such activities whether or not caused by the negligence or wrongful acts of such persons or any agents or members of the North East Windsport Club, I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless each of them of and from any and all claim, demands or action of any kind or nature whatsoever arising out of any injury or damages incurred by the registered participant. No refunds in the event of cancellation.

I have read the Notice of Race and this Entry form and agree to the Terms and Conditions listed in these documents.

Signed: _____ Date: / /

Next of Kin: Phone No:

E-mailed entries will be considered to have been signed by the competitor.

Payment of entry fee constitutes agreement of all conditions listed in the Notice of Race and the Entry form.

Privacy: The information given on this form is for the use of the organisers and sponsors only. This information is collected for administration purposes and is held by the North East Windsport Club Inc.