

Lake Cootharaba Sailing Club Inc

Conditions of Membership

I agree to abide by the rules and by-laws of Lake Cootharaba Sailing Club Inc.

I recognise that Lake Cootharaba Sailing Club Inc. is a non-profit organization based solely on volunteer effort and that, as a member of the Club. I am expected to volunteer for some of its support roles. I will learn about the operations of the Club from information provided and/or from discussions with current members, and will offer to contribute where my skills and lifestyle best fit with club needs.

I acknowledge that my participation is at my own risk and I hereby release Lake Cootharaba Sailing Club Inc., its members, officers, servants and agents from any and all claims, costs, and demands whatsoever and howsoever arising from my participation in all events, except for wilful damage.

Participants are warned that regardless of the precautions, which might be taken by reasonable and experienced persons, sailing can be a dangerous pursuit and participants are exposed to significant risk of property damage, physical harm and possible death.

Some of the risks included in sailing are, but are not limited to:

- The extremes of weather and sea conditions.
- The potential that control of a vessel may be lost, resulting in collision between vessels or with objects.
- The potential that the vessel will run aground or hit a floating object especially after heavy rain.
- The sudden movement of the vessel at anytime and the possibility of capsize or that participants may fall or be thrown overboard, resulting in drowning.
- The possibility that participants may be injured by equipment on the vessel, which may include being hit by a boom, sail or rope swinging or flapping in the wind either ashore or afloat.
- The absence of immediate medical care and the likelihood that significant delays may occur before medical care is available.
- Exposure to the elements for extended periods.
- Sunburn and the possibility of skin cancer from sun exposure to unprotected skin.
- Injury or infection from standing on sharp objects in the sand.

Lake Cootharaba Sailing Club Inc. also warns participants that regardless of their best intentions, they may be unable to render assistance to participants who are in distress. Participants are warned to consider the above risks and all other risks before deciding to participate in any sailing event with the Club.