



1st Australian National Weta Class Championship

28th December 2020 -2nd January 2021

Notice of Race

Organized and Hosted by
Lake Cootharaba Sailing Club

On Behalf of
The Australian Weta Class Association Inc.

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority is the Lake Cootharaba Sailing Club (LCSC) in conjunction with the Australian Weta Class Association Inc.

2. RULES

- 2.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020.
- 2.2. Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2, Off the Beach Boats will apply.
- 2.3. The Class rules of the Australian Weta Class Association Inc. *(Please note decision from 2020 AGM: For the 2020-21 sailing season, no adjustment of the jib sheeting angle on a Weta fitted with a self-tacking jib (as supplied by Weta Marine) is allowed during races or on-water.)*

3. ADVERTISING

- 3.1. The Organising Authority reserves the right to refuse advertising by any boat, if it is considered offensive to public taste or if it contravenes the laws of the governments of Queensland or Australia.
- 3.2. Boats may be required to display event advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies (DP).

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The Regatta is open to all Weta 4.4 class boats.
- 4.2. Eligible boats must submit entries and payment via the AWCA Inc online Revsport registration system. The link to the booking system for the event can be found at:
<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/awca/events/72236/>
- 4.3. Late entries will be accepted up until 14/12/2020 with payment of the late entry fee (refer fees 5.2).
- 4.4. Competitors must be a current financial member of the AWCA Inc, and a financial member of a Yacht Club affiliated with Australian Sailing.
- 4.5. Ancient Mariner – the Skipper must be not less than 70 years of age at 29th December 2019.
- 4.6. In the event of dispute or protest it is the sole discretion of the Organising Authority to determine a boats eligibility to compete.
- 4.7. Two up entries need to register and pay for additional meals and shirts if required for crew

5. FEES

- 5.1. The entry fee for the regatta is \$220.00 if received by 14/12/2020.
Competitors under the age of 18 - \$150.00
- 5.2. A late entry fee of \$40.00 will apply for all entries received after 14/12/2020. Late bookings may be made at the LCSC Clubhouse on Monday 28/12/20.
- 5.3. Fees will include, as well as racing, Introduction Sausage Sizzle (s), Polo shirt and Presentation dinner.

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 6.1. Up to Ten Races are scheduled. A variety of courses may be set and competitors should carefully read the Sailing instructions.
- 6.2. It is anticipated that one Invitation/practice race will be sailed on Monday 28.12.2020.
- 6.3. The Race Committee may elect to change the start time of the following day's racing. A notice advising any such change will be posted no later than 1800 hours on the preceding day.

Day	Date	Time	Event	Comments
Monday	28.12.20	0900-1100	Registration	
Monday	28.12.20	1130	Regatta Briefing	
Monday	28.12.20	1300	Invitation Race	Sausage sizzle after racing.
Tuesday	29.12.20	1200	Race Day Session 1	
Wednesday	30.12.20	1200	Race Day Session 2	
Thursday	31.12.20	1200	Race Day Session 3	Early finish to clear up for NYE
Friday	01.01.21	Lay day		
Saturday	02.01.21	1200	Race Day session 4	
Saturday	02.01.21	1800		Presentation Dinner.

7. MEASUREMENT

- 7.1. All boats must comply with AWCA Class Rules and have an appropriate registration plaque attached. The Class measurers will be in attendance to carry out spot checks and to assist with advice on what is class legal.
- 7.2. All boats may be subject to a measurement check at any time.
- 7.3. Only one set of sails as defined in the Class Rules, may be used during the series. (Sails to be signed & dated by Class Measurer/Representative prior to the race day 2)
- 7.4. Applications may be made in writing to the race committee to replace damaged sails or equipment.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available emailed to all registered entrants one week prior to the event. Copies will be available the regatta office at Lake Cootharaba Sailing Club and will be available earlier on Face book. (or the Association website if we have one by then)

9. VENUE

The regatta site will be Lake Cootharaba Sailing Club (LCSC) and the racing area shall be the waters of Lake Cootharaba.

10. THE COURSES

The courses will be sailed as described in the Sailing Instructions. It is proposed that a variety of courses will be used, and competitors should carefully familiarise themselves with these courses and course flags.

11. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 11.1. The official notice board shall be located directly to the right of the stairs that enter the LCSC clubhouse.
- 11.2. Notices may also be posted on Facebook and website however the official Notice Board takes priority.

12. SCORING

- 12.1. The low point scoring system of Appendix A shall apply.
- 12.2. Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.3. When five races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.
- 12.4. When six to eight races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her scores excluding her worst score:
- 12.5. When nine to ten races have been completed a boat series score will be the total of her scores excluding her two worst scores.

13. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 13.1. 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.

14. PRIZES

- 14.1. Prizes shall be awarded as follows:

- Scratch One Up First Place: Perpetual Trophy and First Placed Trophy.
- Scratch One up Second and third Place: Skipper Trophy.
- Scratch Two-up First Place: Perpetual Trophy and Skipper/crew Trophy.
- Scratch Two up Second and Third Place: Skipper/crew Trophy (depending on numbers)
- Performance Handicap one up 1st, 2nd and 3rd
- Performance Handicap two up 1st, 2nd and 3rd (depending on numbers)
- Ancient Mariner Prize for first over 70 skipper.
- Ladies Prize for first lady

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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

16. INSURANCE

Each competitor shall be insured with valid third party insurance with a minimum cover of AUD\$10,000,000 per incident or equivalent. Entering this event confirms currency of this insurance.

17. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

In participating in the regatta, a competitor automatically grants the Organising Authority and the sponsors of the regatta, 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 film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition for the said regatta in which the competitor participates and in all material related to the said regatta without compensation.

18. REGATTA PHOTOGRAPHER

The Organisers reserve the right to engage a professional photographer to cover the event. All rights to the intellectual rights of the photographer's work must be respected.

19. CHANGES TO THE NOTICE OF RACE

Any changes to this Notice of Race will be published on the AWCA Facebook page.

20. FURTHER INFORMATION

Contact: HamishUrquhart48@gmail.com

Lake Cootharaba Sailing Club is part of a small community in Boreen Point and we wish to respect the activities of our neighbours.

Please be considerate in parking cars, boats and trailers so that traffic can pass easily, and residents' access is not blocked.

We offer secure trailer parking at the LCSC storage yard off Teewah Street. Please ask us if you wish to store your trailer there.

This event will be taking place during the Holidays when Boreen point is at its busiest. Please remember that we are using public beaches and there may be swimmers in the water when we are launching and retrieving our boats.

New Year's Eve traditionally has an event on the fore shore at the Lake and it may be necessary for us to move our boats clear of part of the beach for that event if it takes place.