



“2019 Lake Macquarie Challenge”

Notice of Race

Entries are invited for the above regatta to be organised by Speers Point Amateur Sailing Club Inc.

Date of Regatta: Sunday 3 March 2019

Location: Speers Point Amateur Sailing Club, The Esplanade, Speers Point (within the grounds of Speers Point Park).

1. **Rules.** The Regatta will be governed by the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS), Part 2 of the Australian Sailing Special Regulations “Off the Beach Boats”, the rules of the individual classes (except as any of these are altered by the sailing instructions) and the sailing instructions.
2. **Eligibility and Entry.** The regatta is **only** open to A-Class and Non A-Class Hartley TS 16’s. Eligible boats may enter on the Entry Form available at the clubhouse on the day.
3. **Entry Fee.** A Regatta entry fee of \$20 is payable upon entering.
4. **Schedule of Events**
 - Registration:** - Sunday 3 March 2019, 10.00am to 11.00 am in the Clubhouse
 - Competitor’s Briefing:** - 12.00noon in the Clubhouse
 - Race Start:** - 1.00 pm Handicap Start for First Boat(s) in immediate proximity to Clubhouse
5. **Sailing Instructions.** These will be available at registration.
6. **Sailing Area.** In the area known as Cockle Bay and Warners Bay, Lake Macquarie.
7. **Course.** Regatta will be sailed on a triangular course with a race length of approximately 2 hours. Details of the course will be provided at the briefing and dependent on weather conditions on the day.
8. **Presentation/Prizes.** Will held in the Clubhouse soon after the race. Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd & 3rd placed boats and to the winning Club overall. The Lake Macquarie Challenge Shield will be awarded to the winning Club overall.
9. **Rigging/Launching Area.** There is a large area for rigging at the club as well as ramps for launching and retrieval of boats.
10. **Safety.** Approved Personal Flotation Devices (buoyancy vests) shall be worn by all competitors while racing.
11. **Accommodation/Camping.** There is plenty of accommodation close to the Club, plus there are 10 camping sites available at the Club (\$30/night). Please contact the Club before the weekend.
12. **Canteen.** Food and drinks will be available before and after the race. Note, the Club does not have a liquor licence (so BYO).
13. **Contact.** Glenn Nolan on 0438 481 590 or email gdnolan@optusnet.com.au for any enquiries.

ADDITIONAL NOTE:

SPASC holds weekly races each Saturday starting at 2.00pm and you are invited to participate in the race on 2 March (Race fee is \$10). You can securely leave your boat rigged adjacent to the Clubhouse overnight.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Location. SPASC is located at the northern end of Lake Macquarie. It may be reached from the south and north by taking the Toronto turnoff from the M1 and continuing until Toronto. Turn left at Carey St lights and continue along till you reach The Esplanade (at large roundabout at the end of Five Island Bridge). Turn right here and then the next right into Park Rd. Turn left at the next small roundabout and follow road thru the carpark to SPASC.

Boat Storage. Boats may be stored at the club overnight at your own risk.

Accommodation/Camping. There are several accommodation options nearby, see link below. Food is also available at outlets at nearby Warners Bay, Boolaroo and Speers Point Park. Camping is available onsite on club grounds. 10 spaces are available and the club toilets and showers will be left open overnight for campers' use. A refrigerator is also available in the clubhouse for storage of food etc.

Other. SPASC is enclosed by Speer Point Park featuring plenty of activities for non-sailing family members, such as an open-air Olympic pool complex, parklands, walking pathways, jetty and a large enclosed children's playground.

USEFUL LINKS:

A copy of the Racing Rules of Sailing is available on www.sailing.org.au/sport-services/racing/rules

A copy of the Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 is available on www.sailing.org.au/sport-services/safety/special-regulations/

SPASC website is www.sailingspeerspoint.org.au

A guide to accommodation in the Lake Macquarie region is on the Lake Macquarie City Council website www.visitlakemac.com.au/accommodation

Refer map which shows the Speers Point area & adjacent suburbs - location of SPASC clubhouse is adjacent to Speers Point Swim Centre on the Northern shore of Cackle Bay, plus approx. location of the racing area.

