NOTICE OF RACE

2012 OCEANIC RACEBOARD CHAMPIONSHIP

27th to 29th January 2012

TO BE HELD AT

Jimmy's Beach, Hawks Nest, NSW, Australia

http://iycwindsurfingevents.net.au

Organized by:

Australian Windsurfing Association

in co-operation with the

International Raceboard Class Association

An International Windsurfing Association sanctioned event *including*

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1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing Windsurfing Competition Rules (WCR).
- 1.2 The International Raceboard Class Rules shall apply for the Oceanic Championship.
- 1.3 No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.4 If there is conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions (SI's), the SI's will take precedence.
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2 ADVERTISING

Boards may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. ISAF Regulation 20 'Advertising Code' shall apply.

3 DIVISIONS

3.1 Gender Divisions: Men and Women.

3.2 Age Divisions:

- 3.2.1 A Youth shall be under the age 20 (born in or after 1993).
- 3.2.2 A Master shall be a man over the age of 35 (born 1976 or earlier) or a woman over the age of 30 (born 1981 or earlier).

3.3 Weight Divisions – for Australian Raceboard titles:

- 3.3.1 Light weight 69.9 kilo and below;
- 3.3.2 Medium weight 70 to 85 kilo;
- 3.3.3 Heavy weight 85.1 kilo and above.
- 3.3.4 Competitors weighing in close to or within + 2 kilo's to the next weight division may choose in which division to participate.
- 3.4 **Silver Division**. Competitors in the Silver division may race a shorter course.
- 3.5 A minimum of 3 competitors is required to constitute a division.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 All entries shall meet the requirements of ISAF Regulation 19-Eligibility Code.
- 4.2 Competitors shall be members of a National Class Association which is a paid up member of the relevant international class association, or of the IWA.

4.3 Eligible competitors may enter by completing the online entry forms at: http://iycwindsurfingevents.net.au/ - by 24th January 2012.

The following shall be presented upon registration:

- Evidence of valid third party insurance
- Proof of age
- 4.4 Junior competitors must ensure the following forms are completed online:
 - Parental/legal Guardian Assent
 - Medical Treatment Permission (for those under age of 18 or on their parents medical insurance policy).
- 4.5 Coaches and team support personnel may enter by completing the online form at: <u>http://iycwindsurfingevents.net.au/</u> by 24th January 2012. The following shall be presented upon registration:
 - Boat Driving Licence.
 - Evidence of valid third party insurance.

5 FEES

5.1	The required fees are as follows:		
	Youth (under 20): 75 \$AUS		
	Men/Women: 100 \$AUS		

5.2 Entry fees are paid online as part of the registration process. Paypal is used as the payment agent – you don't need a Paypal account to pay, however a credit or debit card will be required if you don't have an account.

6 RACE FORMAT

- 6.1 The Championship shall be a single discipline, *course racing,* "open entry" event.
- 6.2 Men and women, boys and girls, shall race together.
- 6.3 Competitors shall race a maximum 4 races per day, in a maximum 12 race series.
- 6.4 Three races are required to validate the championship.
- 6.5 Competitors in the Silver division may race a shorter course.

7 SCHEDULE

7.1	Thursday 26 Jan		Early arrivals & training
	Friday 27 Jan	0830-1130	Registration
		1200	Skippers Meeting
		1300	Racing
	Saturday 28 Jan to	1100	Racing
	Sunday 29 Jan	1100	Racing
		1600	Last possible warning signal
		1800	Prize giving and closing ceremony

7.2 The first possible warning signal each day will not be made before 1100hrs, except on the first day when the first possible warning signal will not be made before 1300hrs.

8 EQUIPMENT & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1 An Equipment Registration Form, which will be available at registration, shall be returned to the Event Equipment Inspector before the start of competition.
- 8.2 Equipment inspections may be made at any time during the event.
- 8.3 Unless otherwise directed by the organizing authority, boards and equipment shall be stored, launched and retrieved from the designated area at the event site.
- 8.4 Australian Championship. Those sailors only competing for the Australian Championship may race with a board that is not registered with ISAF, but shall complete the online form to seek prior approval from the organiser.

9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions (SI's) will be available upon registration. Any changes to the SI's shall be approved by the Principle Race Officer and Class Representative at the event.

10 COURSES

Courses will be as described in the sailing instructions.

11 PROTEST COMMITTEE

An 'Independent Protest Committee' will be appointed according to WCR 91(a).

12 SCORING

- 12.1 Scoring will be according to the WCR Appendix A, and using the Low Points Scoring System.
- 12.2 An overall ranking will be published. The finishing positions for the Women, Youth, Master, and Weight Divisions will be determined by their respective finishing position in the overall ranking.
- 12.3 For the Oceanic and Australian titles the results will be scored separately.

13 SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats shall be registered at the race office. Limited charter may be available and may be applied for using the coach entry form.

14 SAFETY

Every competitor and support boat crewmember shall wear a personal flotation device that shall conform to the minimum standard of ISO 12402-5 (level 50), or meets AUS Standards AS1499 & AS1512.

15 PRIZES

- 15.1 Prizes will be awarded to the first three competitors of each properly constituted division. Properly constituted divisions will be posted on the official notice board after the completion of the registration.
- 15.2 The first man and the first woman (boy/girl) in the Oceanic Championships will be declared "division.......Oceanic Raceboard Champion".
 The first man or woman in the Weight Divisions will be declared "....division Australian Raceboard Champion".
- 15.3 Titles shall only be awarded to competitors eligible to compete for an Oceanic national class association; except for the Australian Raceboard Titles refer to clause 8.4.

16 OFFICIAL CEREMONIES

Competitors are requested to attend the event's social functions; however, the organising authority may refuse entry to those whose standard of attire is not commensurate with the occasion.

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk, see WCR 4 -Decision to Race. The organising authority or any of their officials or representatives or the sponsors or their officials or representatives will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the event.

18 INSURANCE

Each participating boards shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUS\$ 1,000.000 per event or the equivalent.

19 RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

In registering for the event, competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority the right in perpetuity to make, use and show from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproduction of them, taken during the period of the event, for the said Event as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions in which he/she participates without compensation.

20 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 20.1 Registration will take place at the rigging area at Jimmy's Beach, Hawks Nest.
- 20.2 For further information please contact: Glen Morrell

Mobile – +61 (0) 418 493 763 Email – glen.morrell@gmail.com

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SHEET

The following information is not part of the rules for the Event.

A ACCOMMODATION

There is a variety of holiday-rental accommodation, caravan parks and camping available in the areas directly adjacent to the race site and in the surrounding town. More information about accommodation for the event will be updated on the event website: http://iycwindsurfingevents.net.au/

B AIR TRAVEL/TRANSPORTATION/TRANSFERS

Hawks Nest Beach is 56km north of Newcastle Airport, the nearest domestic airport and 234km north of Sydney International Airport, the nearest international airport.

The organiser will endeavour to arrange help with transport to and from Sydney or Newcastle airport for equipment, competitors and support personnel for those travelling from interstate/overseas. It would assist the organiser if the competitors, requiring this service, could advise their flight details as early as possible prior to the first day of the event.

For enquiries re travel, transportation or accommodation assistance, please contact : Glen Morrell : Mobile – +61 (0) 418 493 763 Email – glen.morrell@gmail.com

C PREVAILING CONDITIONS

Wind: 10 to 25 knots; sideshore and onshore.

Water temperature: 25° C. Air temperature: $25 - 35^{\circ}$ C.

E VENUE

Jimmy's Beach (Coorilla Street Carpark) Hawks Nest, NSW 2324, AUS.