



*Port Hunter Sailing Skiff Club (PHSSC), as the Organising Authority (OA), invites entries from eligible Off the Beach (OTB) dinghies to race on the waters of Newcastle Harbour in the Inshore SailFest Newcastle Regatta on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2021.*

*The Inshore SailFest Newcastle Regatta will be conducted under Divisional/Yardstick Handicap Systems for the annual Newcastle Trophy Race and Cock of the Harbour race.*

*A family friendly event, SailFest also engages Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club's Sailing Academy – offering 'Try Sailing' experiences throughout the weekend near the Carrington Boat Ramp.*

*See the event webpage for more info:*

*<https://www.ncyc.net.au/sailing/sailfest/cock-of-the-harbour/>*

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**SATURDAY**  
**10 APRIL 2021**



**NOTICE  
OF RACE**

# SAILFEST NEWCASTLE REGATTA

## PORT HUNTER SAILING SKIFF CLUB

10<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2021

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The event shall be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), and the Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS).
- 1.2 Boats are permitted to tack spinnakers to bowsprits and retractable spinnaker poles. This changes RRS 50.2.

### 2 DIVISIONS / CLASSES

- 2.1 The event will be sailed in separate classes as follows:

Event	Division(s)	Handicap System	Date
<b>Cock of the Harbour Race</b>	Single Division <i>(Multihulls &amp; Monohulls)</i>	Yardstick	Saturday, 10 <sup>th</sup> April 2021
	Other Divisions may also be scored separately at the discretion of the OA.	Scratch (one-design)	

- 2.2 The Organising Authority (OA) may alter, amalgamate or divide any Division and may add classes as required. The OA may cancel any Division if fewer than five (5) entries have been received by the closing date.

### 3 ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 The owner of a vessel entered in the SailFest Newcastle Regatta shall hold a marine legal liability insurance policy with respect to the yacht, current when racing, with an adequate sum insured of not less than AUD\$10 million (or its equivalent in another currency). The policy will state that the yacht is covered for races in which it is participating or that it is covered for races of a length greater than the length of the race in which it is participating. The policy will be in effect throughout the regatta.

### 4 SAFETY

- 4.1 AS Special Regulations Part 2 for Off the Beach Boats will apply to all competitors of Off the Beach dinghies competing in the Newcastle Trophy Race.

### 5 ENTRIES

- 5.1 Entries to be made online at:  
<https://www.ncyc.net.au/sailing/inshore-racing/sail-fest-newcastle-regatta/>
- 5.2 Online Entries will be received no later than 2359 hours on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2020. Entries will be accompanied by an Entry Fee as per the following:

Event	Date	Entry Fee
<b>Cock of the Harbour Race</b>	Saturday, 10 <sup>th</sup> April 2021	\$20

- 5.3 Entries will also be accepted from 1200 hrs at the event venue on the day.

### 6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1 Sailing Instructions will be available on the event webpage by 1700 hours on the Monday prior to racing.
- 6.2 Printed copies will not be provided at registration. Rather, a printed copy may be displayed on the Event Notice Board.

## 7 SCORING

7.1 The Scoring System will be the Low Points System, RRS Appendix A5.2.

## 8 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Date	Time	Event
Saturday, 10 <sup>th</sup> April 2020	1200 hrs	Registration Opens at PHSSC
	1400 hrs	Fist Warning Signal <i>Cock of the Harbour Race</i>
	ASAP After Racing	Sailors BBQ & Prizegiving Ceremony

*\*The OA may make changes to this schedule at any time.*

## 9 EVENT WEBPAGE

9.1 The event webpage is located at:  
<https://www.ncyc.net.au/sailing/sailfest/cock-of-the-harbour/>

## 10 PRIZES

- 10.1 Prizes will be awarded to 1<sup>st</sup> place overall in each division of each race.
- 10.2 Additional Prizes may be awarded to classes (or divisions) with five (5) or more starters.
- 10.3 Additional Prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.
- 10.4 Prizes will be presented at the Prizegiving Ceremony at the PHSSC Clubhouse after racing.

## **11 CONDITIONS OF ENTRY**

- 11.1 By lodging an entry, the owner agrees to be bound by the rules and conditions of this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.
- 11.2 By lodging an entry, the owner acknowledges:
- 11.2.1 The possibility of and accepts the risks associated with (a) the perils of the sea; (b) the seaworthiness or otherwise of any yacht participating in SailFest Newcastle Regatta, including participation as owner, crew person, official, race organiser or otherwise; (d) the defaults, acts and omissions, of Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club, Port Hunter 16ft Sailing Skiff Club and their officers, and the crews of all yachts.
  - 11.2.2 Accepts the Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club and Port Hunter 16ft Sailing Skiff Club (a) does not and cannot control, diminish, or affect the perils of the sea; (b) does not certify, or carry out inspections with respect to the seaworthiness or suitability to race of any yacht; (c) is not in a position to provide advice, assistance or support to yachts and crews during the course of a race.
  - 11.2.3 Agrees that the entered yacht is covered by suitable legal liability insurance of at least AU\$10,000,000 (or foreign currency equivalent), valid for racing, and current for the duration of the SailFest Newcastle Regatta.
  - 11.2.4 Agrees that: (a) it is a fundamental condition of entry that he/she releases, holds harmless and indemnifies Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club, Port Hunter 16ft Sailing Skiff Club, their office bearers, servants, agents and members and the sponsors of the SailFest Newcastle Regatta from all liability any of those persons has to the owners or any crew member on the owner yacht, or to any person claiming through or under any such person arising from loss or damage howsoever caused, including negligent act or omission, arising out of or relating to: (i) participation by the owner yacht or any other yacht in a race; (ii) the conduct or course of the race in any respect including, without limitation, any act or omission (whether reasonably foreseeable or not) causing or relating to loss of or damage to any yacht or the death or injury of any person; or (iii) or any of the matters referred to in the paragraphs above; (b) participation by the yacht and by the crew in the SailFest Newcastle Regatta is agreed by Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club and Port Hunter 16ft Skiff Sailing Club on the basis that participation is entirely at the risk of the owner and each member of the crew on the owner's yacht; (c) the owner will make each crew member or proposed crew member aware of these Conditions of Entry.
- 11.3 By lodging an entry, the owner gives absolute right and permission for any photographs and/or video footage of the yacht and crew to be published in any media for any editorial, publicity or advertising purposes.

## **12 VENUE**

- 12.1 The event will be conducted from the Port Hunter Sailing Skiff Club located at 71 Hunter Street, Stockton NSW 2295.

## **13 CONTACT**

- 13.1 For more information, please contact:

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