



MG14 NSW STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

2020-2021

Sat 13 - Sun 14 March 2021

**Manly 16Ft Skiff Sailing Club
Hosted By
Georges River Sailing Club**

Notice of Race

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

**MANLY 16FT SKIFF SAILING CLUB LTD
(TRADING AS ST GEORGE SAILING CLUB)**

in association with

MG14 ASSOCIATION OF NSW INC.

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1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined by the 2021-2024 World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the Prescriptions and Special Regulations (Part 2) of Australian Sailing, and the MG14 class rules, except as any are changed by the Sailing Instructions or Notice Of Race.

2 ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Entry is open to all MG14/MG14B dinghies registered with the MG14 Association of NSW Inc. for the 2020/2021 sailing season, and for which at least one Full Membership and one Associate Membership for the 2020/2021 season has been paid to the Association. The nominated helmsperson shall be a member of the MG14 Association of NSW Inc. and the forward hand must be nominated at the time of entry.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form, available on the MG14 website www.mg14.com, and sending it, together with payment, to the address on the Entry Form.
- 3.3 Entries will be received by the Organising Authority no later than the close of the registration and measurement period on 13th March 2021.
- 3.4 All competitors under 16 years of age as at 13th Mar 2021 are required to lodge a fully completed Junior Indemnity Form, as a section of the Entry Form, which must be signed by a parent or guardian.

4 RACE SCHEDULE

- 4.1 Timing
- Saturday 13th Mar Entry registration from 1000 to 1130 hours
 Competitor briefing 1130 hours
 1st Race Session Warning Signal not before 1200 hours
 - Sunday 14th Mar 2nd Race Session Warning signal not before 1100 hours
 Regatta presentation ASAP after conclusion of Championships
- 4.2 Five races are scheduled for the Regatta.
- 4.3 No more than three races shall be conducted on any one day of the Regatta.
- 4.4 Races may be conducted back to back due to the travel time between the club house and the sailing area.
- 4.5 Any race whose warning signal is not given by 1530 hours on the last day of the Regatta will be abandoned.

5 MEASUREMENT

Each boat and all equipment shall have been measured by a measurer approved by the MG14 Association of NSW Inc. prior to being used in this Regatta. The Race Committee reserves the right to inspect any boat or equipment at any time for compliance with the class rules.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available on the [MG14 website](http://www.mg14.com) and at registration.

7 VENUE

The Championship will be conducted from Georges River Sailing Club located at Sanoni Ave, Sandringham NSW 2219. The racing area will be the waters of the Georges River and Botany Bay. Attachment A shows the Regatta site and the racing area.

The Committee will be working with the club to make available additional trailer and car parking.

8 COURSES

Will be compass bearing courses. The course will be described in the Sailing Instructions. Course length will be set to allow the fastest boat to complete the course in approximately 40-50 minutes.

9 SCORING

9.1 Five races are scheduled for the Regatta.

9.2 Three races shall be completed to constitute the Regatta.

9.3 When fewer than four races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores.

9.4 When four or five races have been completed a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

9.5 A Handicap Series will be conducted concurrently with the Championship (scratch) series.

10 PRIZES

The MG14 NSW State Champion perpetual trophy will be awarded to the 1st MG14 in the overall scratch series.

The MG14 NSW Handicap State Champion perpetual trophy will be awarded to the 1st MG14 or MG14B in the overall Handicap series.

Trophies will be awarded to the skipper and crew of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd boats in the overall scratch series and to the skipper and crew of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd boats in the overall handicap series, except that a boat awarded a scratch series trophy will not be eligible for a handicap series trophy. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority.

11 RADIO COMMUNICATION

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.

12 COVID-19 REGULATIONS

All participants will comply with the COVID-19 safety regulations for StGSC which will be in accordance with the guidelines available at the following link.

<https://stgeorgesailing.com.au/covid19/>

More information on the state of sailing in regards to COVID-19 is available at the following link.

<https://www.sailingresources.org.au/covid-19/nsw/>

13 DISCLAIMER

It is the responsibility of owners and skippers to ensure that each boat nominated on the entry form complies with the 'rules' as defined in the RRS. All competitors who enter the MG14 NSW State Championship, in doing so, have made a declaration to the Organising Authority that the nominated boat will, at all times while racing, comply with the requirements of Australian Sailing, the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, including:

(a) RRS 46;

(b) The Organising Authority is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment;

(c) The person who signs and lodges the entry form with the Organising Authority, warranting to the Organising Authority that he or she will draw to the attention of any person who competes on the yacht, the subject of the entry form in any event conducted by the Organising Authority of the risk warning above;

- (d) The person who signs and lodges this entry form with the Organising Authority, acknowledging receipt of the Risk Warning below and releasing the Organising Authority from any claim or liability whatsoever for any harm or personal injury suffered by them, or by any person claiming through them, in any event conducted by the Organising Authority; and
- (e) All those taking part in these races do so at their own risk and responsibility. Specific attention is drawn to RRS 4 which states; "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone". Yachting NSW, Race Committees and other race officials are not responsible for any damage or injury either afloat or ashore prior to, during or after the event.

14 RISK WARNING

This RISK WARNING is issued jointly by the Organising Authority and Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) (Maritime), pursuant to the Civil Liability Act 2002, to all persons wishing to participate in the MG14 NSW State Championship.

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 possibly death.

As an indication, these risks may include, but are not limited to:

- (a) The extremes of weather and sea conditions.
- (b) The potential that control of vessels may be lost, resulting in collision with objects and other vessels.
- (c) The sudden movement of the vessel at any time and the possibility that participants may fall or be thrown overboard, resulting in injury or drowning.
- (d) The possibility that participants may be injured by equipment on the vessel.
- (e) The absence of immediate medical care and the likelihood that significant delays may occur before medical care is available.
- (f) Exposure to the elements for extended periods.

The Organising Authority and RMS (Maritime) also warn 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 the MG14 State Championship.

Participants are also advised that although the Organising Authority is covered by third party liability insurance, this cover does not extend to participants. Any participant who considers they have a need for insurance must make their own private arrangements with an insurer. Membership of a sailing club affiliated with Australian Sailing entitles you to personal accident insurance cover.

15 MEDIA RIGHTS

The Organising Authority shall have the right to use any names, images and sound recording taken during the Regatta free of any charge.

16 INSURANCE

All competing boats shall certify, by entering, that they carry third party liability insurance of an amount of not less than AU\$10,000,000.

For further information contact Gary Reeves, Secretary, MG 14 Association Inc. on 0439 014 026 or email at mailto:reeves_gary@outlook.com

Visit our website www.mg14.com for accommodation information as well as entry forms and NSW MG14 Association boat registration and membership form

Attachment A

