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DAMIC DESIGN & SAILINGBITS NSW MOTH TITLES

13th and 14th Mar 2021

Botany Bay NSW, Australia

Organising Authority: St George Sailing Club (StGSC)

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

1.2 The Class Rules and the Race Management Guidelines of the International Moth Class Association will apply except for any that are altered by the Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions

2. LIABILITY

All those taking part in this event do so at their own risk and responsibility, and agree to be bound by the RRS, by all other rules that cover the event and acknowledge that Rule 4 – Decision to Race, places the sole responsibility for deciding whether or not to start or to continue racing on the boat.

3. VENUE

3.1 The racing area shall be the waters of Georges River and Botany Bay.

3.2 The Race Office will be a tent positioned 50m east of the St George Sailing Club construction site.

3.3 Signals ashore will be made via temporary flag pole attached to the tent.

4. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the online notice board and will be accompanied by the raising of code flag L and a sound signal. This changes RRS Appendix S 3.1.

5. RACE TIMES AND BRIEFING

5.1 There will be a briefing at the Race Office tent approximately 10:45 hrs Saturday 13th March 2021.

Date	Number of Races Per Day	First Warning Signal
Saturday 13th March	3 - 4	Not before - 11:55am
Sunday 14th March	3 - 4	Not before - 10:55am

5.3 The race committee will endeavour to complete the race schedule as outlined in 5.1. In the event not all races are completed on Sat 13th they may be rescheduled for Sun 16th. A maximum of 8 races will be sailed during the series with a maximum of 5 races per race day.

5.4 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 17:00 hrs.

5.5 Prize giving presentation will be held at the race office tent approximately 1 hour after the last Moth has finished the final day's racing.

6. THE COURSES

6.1 The courses to be sailed are described in Attachment 'A'. Arrows indicate the directions the marks are to be rounded. The approximate location of courses and local hazard areas are depicted in Attachment 'B'.

6.2 The class flag will be a Moth class insignia on a white background.

6.3 The course board indicating the course to be sailed will be displayed on the start boat.

7. MARKS

7.1 Marks are described in Attachment 'A'.

7.2 The inadvertent touching of a mark (but not attaching to or shifting a mark) is permitted. In the event that a mark is engaged causing it to shift or become attached to the boat, RRS31 in its entirety shall apply. This amends RRS 31.

8. STARTING

8.1 Starting signals shall be in accordance with RRS Rule 26

8.2 The starting line will be between a vessel displaying an orange flag and a yellow mark at the pin end.

8.3 A time limit of four (4) minutes shall apply for boats to start after the start. A boat starting after this time will be deemed a DNS.

9. THE FINISH

9.1 The finishing line will be between a vessel displaying an orange flag and Mark 2P.

9.2 Grand Prix finish - When the leading boat completes the course and finishes, the Race Committee signal boat at the finish will immediately display a numeral pennant "6" (black and white) flag with a sound signal. Numeral pennant "6" will be removed at the end of the finishing window time limit. All boats that;

a) Have completed a lap before the numeral pennant "6" is displayed, but then fail to finish while it is displayed, or

b) Cross the finishing line while the numeral pennant "6" is displayed shall be deemed to have finished irrespective of the number of laps completed. Their positions in the race will be based on the order when they either completed their last lap or finished, with those having completed more laps finishing ahead of those with fewer laps. This changes RRS 28.1 and A4

10. TIME LIMITS

10.1 Target time is 25 minutes or less.

10.2 The finishing window is 12 minutes from the first boat crossing the line.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turn penalty is replaced by a 270 deg turn penalty (one gybe on the upwind leg of the course & one tack on the downwind leg of the course).

12. PROPULSION & PUMPING

RRS 42.2 in it's entirety is exempted to promote foiling (once the boats hull detaches from the water's surface). Once foiling RRS 42.2 shall apply.

13. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

13.1 Protest forms are available from the Regatta Office tent. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.

13.2 The protest time limit will be 60 minutes after the last boat of that fleet has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee and jury about incidents they observe in the racing area. This time limit also applies to requests for redress. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.

13.3 Notices will be posted at the tent to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Jury room. Hearings may start before the scheduled time with the agreement of all parties.

14. SCORING

13.1 Six to Eight (6-8) races are scheduled of which four (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series. When (3-4) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

15. SAFETY / RISK WARNING

15.1 Boats shall sign on, via St George sailing club website (www.stgeorgesailing.com.au), prior to leaving the beach to race and sign off after returning ashore within the protest time limit.

15.2 Boats not leaving the shore for the day's races shall notify the race office as soon as possible.

15.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

15.4 Failure to wear an approved PFD whilst on the water for this regatta will result in disqualification from the race and the boat will be required to return to shore.

15.5 Should the wind velocity be determined to average 25 knots or more in flat water with any gust reaching 28kn, Or average 22 knots in rough water with any gust reaching max 25kn (eg. run out tide NE), as per class rules or, if the race committee considers the weather conditions to be unsuitable for all during the hour prior to race starting time or during the race, the race may be postponed or abandoned by the Race Committee

15.6 This RISK WARNING is issued jointly by the Club and NSW Roads & Maritime, pursuant to the Civil Liability Act 2002 to all persons wishing to participate in the sailing activities conducted by the Club.

15.6.1 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.

15.6.2 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 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.

15.6.3 The Club and NSW Roads & 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 any sailing event with the Club.

15.7 All boats shall sail to the seaward side of Commons Reef Pile and Pelican Pile at all times. Failure to do so will result in disqualification from that race. This amends RRS 61.1 (b). Location is referred to on the course sheets.

16. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

16.1 All boats may be inspected for Class Rules compliance prior to racing.

16.2 In addition, any boat or equipment may be checked for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions at any time.

16.3 Foils are not allowed to be changed on the water. Boat must be sailed back to the vicinity of the rigging area and change performed on shore.

17. RADIO COMMUNICATION

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.

18. REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT

Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

19. THE ENVIRONMENT

Boats shall not dispose of any item on board the boat into the water.

20. PRIZES

Prizes will nominally be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places overall in the series, 1st place Junior, 1st place Female and 1st Grand Master, and NSW Open Champion (If required).

Above prize allocations are at the discretion of the organising authority – they may change depending on the number of entries (a minimum of 2 entries in each division is required).

21. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of Aus. \$10,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

22. ELIGIBILITY

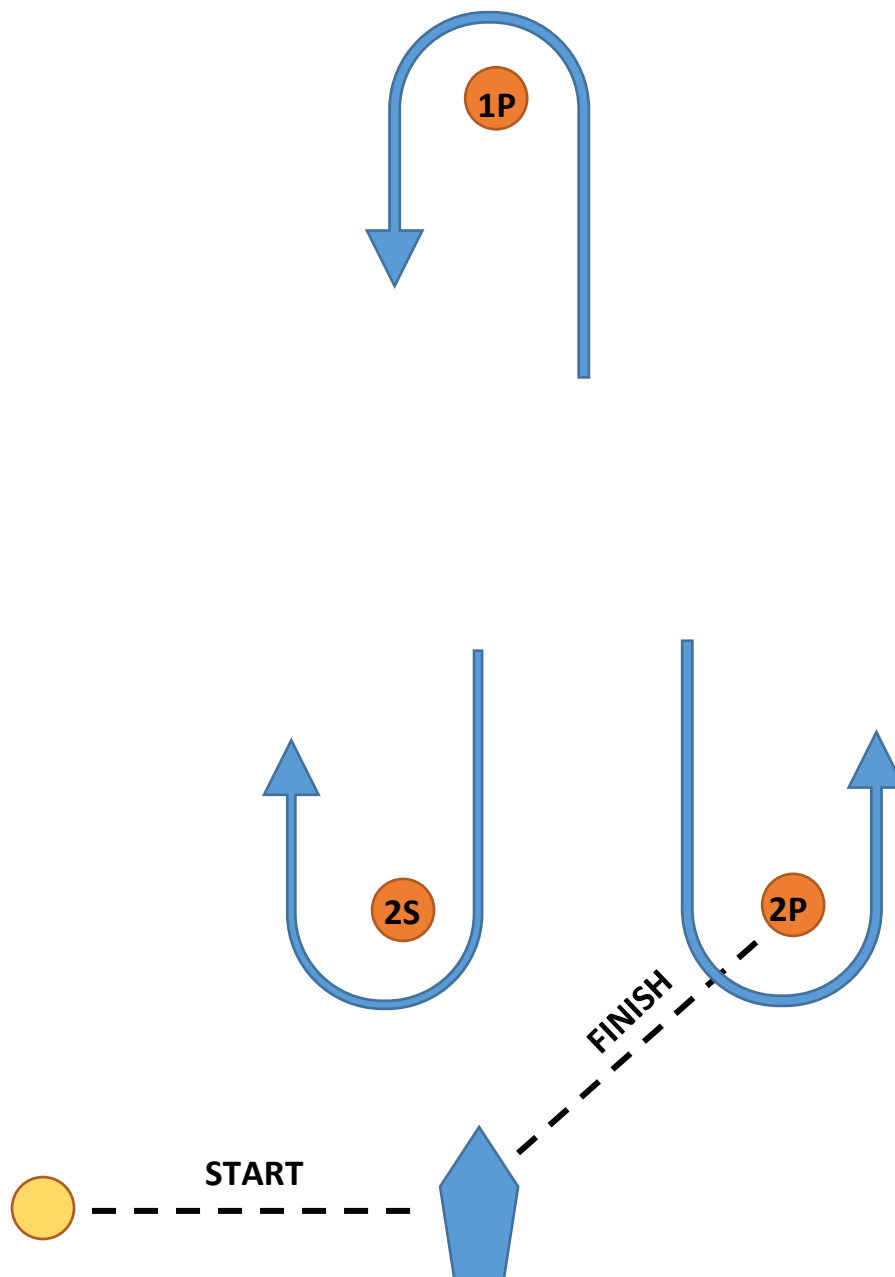
All entered boats must be current members of the IMCA association and current members of Australian Sailing. All boats must have a valid Moth measurement certificate, which will need to be presented on request.

Only Moths registered with a club located in NSW will be eligible to be crowned NSW State Champion and awarded the trophy. Moths registered with a club outside of NSW will be crowned NSW Open Champion, should they have the lowest score at the end of the regatta.

ATTACHMENT A

Mark Rounding Order	
L2	START – 1P - 2P/2S - 1P - FINISH
L3	START - 1P - 2P/2S - 1P - 2P/2S – 1P - FINISH

* In an event that either 2S or 2P is not in place, boats shall round the existing leeward mark to port.



ATTACHMENT B

