



## 23<sup>rd</sup> NZIODA Toyota Optimist National Championship

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March to Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2018 - Picton, Marlborough

The Organising Authority is the New Zealand International Optimist Dinghy Association  
in association with Queen Charlotte Yacht Club.

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### NOTICE OF RACE

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#### 1. RULES

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- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020.
- 1.2. The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part 1 will apply.
- 1.3. Appendix P, *Special Procedures for Rule 42*, will apply as amended by the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4. Appendix G3, *Chartered or Loaned Boats*, will apply.
- 1.5. Appendix T, *Arbitration*, will apply.
- 1.6. Racing Rules will be changed as follows:

Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes may apply to be scored SRS, "Still Racing Score". This changes Rules 35, *Time Limit and Scores*, and A4, *Low Point System* and A5, *Scores Determined by the Race Committee*.

The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

#### 2. ADVERTISING & BOW NUMBERS

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- 2.1. Boats may be required to display bow numbers and advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority

#### 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

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- 3.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the Optimist class that fulfil the eligibility requirements, have a valid measurement certificates and have passed the regatta registration and the equipment inspection process.
- 3.2. To be eligible to enter each competitor shall be a financial member of a club recognised by their national authority and shall be a member of the national optimist association in their country of residence. In addition, each New Zealand competitor shall be a financial member of a club recognised by Yachting New Zealand and a financial member of NZIODA.
- 3.3. This Championship incorporates the New Zealand representative selection trials. The Trials are open only to New Zealand Nationals or Residents in New Zealand. To be able to compete in the Trials each entrant shall be:
  - a) A financial member of NZIODA.
  - b) A financial member of a yacht club affiliated to YNZ.
  - c) Eligible for a NZIODA representative team.

Note Eligibility guidelines from IODA:

A sailor who has represented one country at an IODA World or Continental Championship shall not represent another member country except in cases of alteration of residence, which cases shall be approved by the NZIODA committee in consultation with the IODA executive.

Attention is drawn to the World Sailing regulations 19, *Eligibility*. These regulations clarify the term permanent or bona fide resident for those competitors who may be resident in New Zealand but who are not Nationals of New Zealand.

If a sailor does not comply with these guidelines but wishes to be considered for National representation, then application may be made to NZIODA for dispensation. These applications must be received in writing by 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018. The final decision/ruling on a sailor's eligibility to represent New Zealand at the World Championships or other international Optimist regattas will be the responsibility of the NZIODA committee who may refer it to the IODA executive.

- 3.4. Sailors wishing to be eligible for selection in a NZIODA representative team shall use foils which measure under the 2004 or later IODA class rules.
- 3.5. The 2018 NZIODA Optimist National Interclub Team Racing Championship is compulsory for all sailors aiming for selection for NZIODA travelling teams to IODA World and Continental championships. Any exceptions are at the discretion of NZIODA. The 2018 NZIODA Optimist National Interclub Team Racing Championship will be sailed on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March with the coaches briefing on the evening of Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March. Refer to separate Notice of Race for The NZIODA Optimist National Interclub Team Racing Championship.
- 3.6. Sailors who meet the NZIODA Green Fleet criteria and have not sailed in an open fleet regatta comprising more than 40 yachts are invited to participate in a separate fun event for Green Fleet sailors. Entry requirements for the Green Fleet are as stated in a separate Green Fleet Notice of Race. Green Fleet racing will be on a separate course.
- 3.7. The regatta is open to all competitors born in the year 2003 or later. Total entrants in the Open Championship are limited to 280 boats. Earlier entries will be given preference. Additional entries may be accepted at the discretion of NZIODA.
- 3.8. New Zealand competitors will need to provide their NZIODA membership number with their entry. Overseas competitors will need to provide proof of age and club membership with their entry. A photocopy of birth certificate or passport is acceptable.
- 3.9. Entries will be accepted until the normal closing date of Wednesday 21<sup>th</sup> March at 2100.

One Competitor in Open Fleet	\$175
One Competitor in the Green Fleet	\$105
Each additional Competitor from the same family	\$25 discount for each additional sailor
Late Entry fee	\$150 per sailor
- 3.10. Entries should be made online at [www.gcyc.org.nz/optimistnats2018.php](http://www.gcyc.org.nz/optimistnats2018.php)
- 3.11. Late entries, accompanied by an additional late entry fee of \$150 may be accepted at the Race Committee's discretion until 1500 hours on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March however no event pack can be guaranteed.
- 3.12. Each boat shall present a valid Registration Book at registration and in addition, equipment inspection will be made to check compliance with Class Rules and the Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations.
- 3.13. Equipment inspection requirements are:
  - a. All boats and equipment to be used in the contest must have been measured and have a measurement certificate. Pre IOD 95 hulls can be measured using the NZIODA limited measurement form and be issued with a NZIODA Measurement Certificate.
  - b. Equipment to be used in the contest must be nominated on the entry form (only one of each item).

**Hull World Sailing plaque or receipt number.** This is usually on the thwart of the boat and recorded in the measurement book. Hull weight may be checked during registration or spot – checks during the regatta.

**Sail button number.** This is not the sail number but is the number stamped on the small green or red disk or sticker fixed near the tack of the sail. If you do not have a sail button/sticker, these are available through NZIODA.

**Mast, Sprit, Boom, Centreboard and Rudder.** Measurer’s serial number from the measurement certificate of each of these items. No measured equipment may be changed during the regatta without first gaining written approval from the Regatta Measurer or the Race Officer. All replacement equipment must be measured. Retrospective approvals maybe given for equipment replaced on the water between races.

- c. Entries will only be accepted from boats that have been previously measured as set out above. Apart from spot checks and substituted equipment, no initial measuring will take place at the regatta.

#### 4. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

##### 4.1.

Event	Day	Time or time of first warning signal	Number of Races
<b>Safety Inspection Equipment Inspection and Registration</b>	Thursday	1000 to 1700 1930 to 2030	
<b>Welcome Parade on Picton foreshore</b>	Thursday	1800 to 1830	
<b>Coaches Briefing for Team Racing</b>	Thursday	1900	
<b>Support Boat Briefing</b>	Friday	1800	For Fleet Racing
<b>Patrol and Official Boats Briefing</b>	Friday	1815	For Fleet Racing
<b>Sailors Briefing</b>	Saturday	0900	For Fleet Racing
<b>Racing</b>	Friday	0900 1000	Sailors Briefing (Fleet or Teams) Team Sailing at 1000 or 3 races - Qualifying Series at 1100 (Weather Dependent)
	Saturday	0900 1100	Sailors Briefing (Fleet or Teams) 3 races - Qualifying Series or Team Sailing at 1000 (Weather Dependent)
	Sunday	1100	3 races - Qualifying Series
	Monday	1100	3 races - Final Series
	Tuesday	1100	3 races - Final Series

- 4.2. It is intended to sail The NZIODA Optimist National Interclub Team Racing Championship on Friday and fleet racing on Saturday. However depending on weather predictions the programme on these two days may be swapped.

- 4.3. No practice race is scheduled.
- 4.4. 12 races are scheduled for the championship comprising a 6 race Qualifying Series and 6 race Final Series
- 4.5. No more than four races will be sailed on any day.
- 4.6. Prize giving will be held as soon as possible after racing is complete.
- 4.7. On the last day of the regatta, no warning signal will be made after 1500.

## **5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

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- 5.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available on the regatta website <http://www.qcyc.org.nz> from Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March. Sailing instructions will not be available at the regatta.

## **6. RACING AREA**

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- 6.1. The regatta will be based at Queen Charlotte Yacht Club, Picton, Marlborough.
- 6.2. The racing area will be in waters of Queen Charlotte Sound.

## **7. COURSES TO BE SAILED**

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- 7.1. The course will be an outer loop trapezoid with the finish line at the end of the second windward leg and with a gate at mark 3. If IODA decides to change the course for the 2018 or 2019 World Championship the course used at this regatta may be changed to the new IODA course.

## **8. FORMAT**

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- 8.1. Entries will be divided into fleets and will sail a Qualifying Series followed by a Final Series.

## **9. SCORING**

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- 9.1. Five races are required to constitute a championship.
- 9.2. For the purpose of determining Final Series fleets one race score will be excluded from the Qualifying Series
- 9.3. For the purpose of calculating overall places
  - a) When fewer than four races have been completed a boats series score will be the total of her race scores.
  - b) When four or more races have been completed a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 9.4. The Qualifying Series races and Final Series races will count for total points in the championship.
- 9.5. A boat's score will be based on their finishing position in their fleet

## **10. PRIZES**

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- 10.1. Spot Prizes will be presented to those in attendance at a daily prize giving.
- 10.2. The following trophies will be awarded

1 <sup>st</sup> Open Championship	Open Event Trophy
1 <sup>st</sup> National Championship	Ralph Roberts Trophy
2 <sup>nd</sup> National Championship	Kohimarama Trophy
3 <sup>rd</sup> National Championship	Harken Trophy
1 <sup>st</sup> Female competitor	Judd Family Trophy

1 <sup>st</sup> Sailor in their first nationals	Worser Bay Trophy
1 <sup>st</sup> South Island competitor	Toyota Trophy
Notable Sportsmanship	Sportsmanship Trophy
Sailor finishing in median position	Eaglestone Trophy
National Club's Cup	Placemakers Trophy

10.3. The Open Championship trophies is competed for by all sailors. The National Championship trophies are competed for New Zealand Nationals or Residents in New Zealand.

## **11. CHARTER BOATS**

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11.1. Optimist charter boats will only be directed through NZIODA and the regatta organisers. Boats may only be chartered through a New Zealand based company.

The preferred suppliers for this regatta are:

**Sail One**, 29 Leighton St, Grey Lynn 1021, Auckland.

Phone: 0800 724 5663, Email: [sailone@sailone.co.nz](mailto:sailone@sailone.co.nz), Web: [www.sailone.co.nz](http://www.sailone.co.nz)

Neil Wooldridge at **OptimistCrazy**, Auckland.

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## **12. PHOTOGRAPHY CONSENT**

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12.1. By entering the Championships competitors accept that they may be photographed and/or videotaped participating in the race and/or using the Championship facilities and they consent to the taking of such images and to the use, reuse, publication and republication of such images in any media, in conjunction with the competitor's name or not, without compensation and without the competitor's approval of such images or any use thereof.

## **13. TEAM SUPPORT BOATS AND COACHES MEETING AND TEAM LEADERS MEETING**

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13.1. There will be Coaches and Team Leaders meetings each morning. The objective of the meetings is to receive feedback from the coaches on the regatta organisation, exchange view points and inform the coaches about the race committee's intentions for the day and regatta organisation in general.

13.2. Team and individual support boats will be allowed.

13.3. Support boat and rescue boat crew representatives shall attend a briefing on the Friday afternoon.

13.4. Support boats and rescue boats must be registered with the organising authority using the registration for during Registration.

## **14. RISK STATEMENT**

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14.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. Rule 4, *Decision to Race*, states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor and the responsible adult agrees and acknowledges that:

- c) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- d) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- e) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;
- f) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;

- g) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- h) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

## 15. FURTHER INFORMATION

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For further information:

Web site:	<a href="http://www.qcyc.org.nz/">http://www.qcyc.org.nz/</a>
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