



Laser Challenge

Sunday, 11 April 2021

Join us on the harbour for an action-packed day of racing on Newcastle Harbour as we contest the annual Laser Challenge.

Come and be part of Newcastle's biggest annual sailing event – SailFest 2021



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<https://sailfest.com.au/laser-racing/>

FURTHER INFORMATION

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NOTICE OF RACE

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1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

- 1.1 The Organising Authority (OA) is the Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club (NCYC).
- 1.2 The Conducting Authority (CA) is the Port Hunter Sailing Skiff Club (PHSSC).

2 VENUE

- 2.1 The event will be conducted from Port Hunter Sailing Skiff Club – off Hunter Street, Stockton NSW 2295.
- 2.2 Racing will be conducted on the waters of Newcastle Harbour. The racing area will be in the vicinity of PHSSC.

3 RULES

- 3.1 The event will be conducted by:
 - a) The rules, as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) of World Sailing;
 - b) The Prescriptions, Amendments and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing; and
 - c) This Notice of Race, except in the event of a conflict with the Sailing Instructions in which case the Sailing Instructions will take precedence.
 - d) RRS 44.1 is changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required

4 ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1 Entries will be accepted from eligible competitors of the Laser 4.7, Laser Radial, and Laser Standard classes.
- 4.2 Each sailor must be a current member of a club and affiliated with Australian Sailing. Check your Australian Sailing status online – <https://www.sailing.org.au/member-finder/>

5 ENTRY

- 5.1 Entry is available online accompanied by a \$45 entry fee – <https://app.sailsys.com.au/club/22/entry/series/1094/pricing>

6 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 6.1 The event shall be windward/leeward fleet racing format
- 6.2 There shall be a maximum of six (6) races.
- 6.3 Subsequent races will be started as soon as practical after the preceding race.
- 6.4 *The Schedule will be as follows:*

Time	Event
0930 hrs	Clubhouse opens for Registration
1000 hrs	Competitor Briefing at PHSSC Clubhouse
1125 hrs	First Warning Signal for up to 6 races
ASAP after racing	Prizegiving Ceremony in the PHSSC Clubhouse

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 The Sailing Instructions will be posted on the event webpage by 1200 hrs on Monday 5th April 2021.

8 EVENT WEBPAGE

- 8.1 The Event webpage can be found on the SailFest website – <https://sailfest.com.au/laser-racing/>

9 SCORING

- 9.1 The event will consist of a maximum of six (6) races.
9.2 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A5.2 of the RRS will apply.
9.3 A boats series score shall be the total of all her race scores. No drops will apply.

10 PRIZES

- 10.1 Prizes will be presented to 1st place overall at the Prizegiving Ceremony.
10.2 Additional Prizes may be presented at the discretion of the OA for classes with more than 5 competitors.

11 DISCLAIMER

- 11.1 All those participating in the series do so at their own risk and responsibility. Competitors must acknowledge this prior to participating and release the SailFest, NCYC & PHSSC and its sponsors and their respective officers, employees, volunteers, and members from all liability by completing the online registration form as a part of the entry process. Specific attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4, which states: *“The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone”*