



2016 Sabre Sailing Association Western Australia Inc “Opening Day Series”

Introduction

The 2016 Sabre Sailing Association Western Australia “Opening Days Series” will be held on various dates (with five heats and the best of three heats to count). The races will be conducted by East Fremantle Yacht Club, Perth Dinghy Sailing Club, Maylands Yacht Club, Safety Bay Yacht Club and Royal Perth Yacht Club on their Opening Days.

The purpose of the regatta is to help promote the Sabre class at Yacht Club Opening Days and encourage participation in the Opening Day races. 2016 is the inaugural series and we are anticipating this will be a recurring series for the Sabre class.

A boat’s series score will be the total of her 5 best race scores excluding her two (2) worst scores

The organising authority for this series is the Sabre Sailing Association of Western Australia Inc., however each Club will provide its own Sailing Instructions for the race which it will control.

Scoring will be in accordance with IRRS Rule 90.3 and Appendix A4 and A9.

It should be noted that Clubs will set their own club courses on the day. Entrants will need to ensure that they familiarize themselves with courses before starting.

Rules

1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the Class Rules of the Sabre Sailing Association of Australia Inc and the Prescriptions and Special Regulations of the Yachting Australian (YA) Special Regulations, Part 2, Off the Beach Boats will apply.
2. The racing rules will be modified in accordance with rule 86 as follows: Rule 41, Outside Help, will be altered by: “A boat may receive outside help as provided for in rule 1 and, in addition, where the organising body deems that the vessel and its crew require assistance in order to right a capsized vessel and/or return its crew to the vessel in order to continue racing.”

Sponsorship

3. Advertising will be as defined by ISAF regulation 20.
4. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.
5. The organising authority reserves the right to refuse advertising by a boat or competitor when it is in conflict with an event sponsor or the laws of the Western Australian or Australian Governments.

Eligibility and Entry

6. All Sabre Dinghy owners will be eligible to enter the Club Opening Day races and are encouraged to do so.
7. The Series is open to boats of the Sabre class that comply with the class rules of the Sabre Sailing Association of Australia Inc.

Fees

8. There is no fee payable to enter the Series.

Trophies

9. The WA Sabre Association will provide a Perpetual Trophy, in addition to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards.
10. Trophies will be presented at the conclusion of the race at PDSC on the 15th October 2016

Schedule of events

Event	Date	Location
Heat 1	Sunday 25 th September	EFYC
Heat 2	Sunday 2 nd October	SBYC
Heat 3	Saturday 8 th October	RPYC
Heat 4	Sunday 9 th October	MYC
Heat 5 & Presentation	Saturday 15 th October	PDSC

Start times and any changes to dates will be advised on WA Sabre Association website when advised

Entry requirements

11. There are no entry requirements for the Series, as all Sabres competing at any of the Club opening days are eligible.

Sailing Instructions

12. As each Club will issue its own Sailing Instructions (which may be delivered verbally prior to racing on the day), there will be no Sailing Instructions for this series. Competitors will need to ensure they access the information provided by the Clubs.

Results

13. Results will be posted to the WA Sabre Association website and Facebook page.