

2017 Sabre Sailing Association Western Australia Inc

“Opening Day Series”



Introduction

The 2017 Sabre Sailing Association Western Australia “Opening Days Series” will be held on various dates (with six heats and the best of four heats to count). The races will be conducted by East Fremantle Yacht Club (EFYC), Safety Bay Sailing Club (SBYC), Mounts Bay Sailing Club (MBSC), Maylands Yacht Club (MYC), Royal Perth Yacht Club (RPYC) & Perth Dinghy Sailing Club (PDSC) 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 Metro Club Opening Day races.

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.

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.”

Scoring

3. Scoring will be in accordance with RRS Rule 90.3 and Appendix A4 and A9.
4. In the event that more than 1 race is raced at an Opening Day, only the first race sailed will count for scoring purposes.
5. If one Opening Day event is cancelled, four will count with one discard, but if three events are cancelled, all will count.

Sponsorship

6. Advertising will be as defined by ISAF regulation 20.
7. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.
8. 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

9. All Sabre Dinghy owners will be eligible to enter the Club Opening Day races and are encouraged to do so.
10. 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

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

Trophies

12. The WA Sabre Association will provide a Perpetual Trophy, in addition to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards
13. An additional random trophy will be awarded for a “random place” which will be decided by the organizing authority.
14. Trophies will be presented at the conclusion of the race at PDSC on the 21st October 2017

Schedule of events

Event	Date	Location
Heat 1	Sunday 24 th September	EFYC
Heat 2	Sunday 1 st October	SBYC
Heat 3	Saturday 7 th October	MBYC
Heat 4	Sunday 8 th October	MYC
Heat 5	Saturday 14 th October	RPYC
Heat 6 & Presentation	Saturday 21 st October	PDSC

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

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Entry requirements

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

Rights to use Name & Likeness

16. In participating in the Regatta each competitor grants the Organising Authority, the Association and the sponsors of the Regatta the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or film television including from the use of drones or other reproduction of him/her during the period of the competition for the Regatta and in all material related to the Regatta without compensation.

Entry Disclaimer

17. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organising Authority and the Sabre Sailing Association of Western Australia their officers, members, servants and agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property sustained solely by reason of the competitor's participation or intended participation in this Event or howsoever arising in connection with this Event.

Sailing Instructions

18. 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

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