

# Sabre Sailing Association of SA Inc

## Notice of Race 2008– 2009 State Championships

### 1 Race program

#### Adelaide Sailing Club

Saturday	1 November 2008	Heat 1	2 pm
Sunday	2 November 2008	<b>Resail</b>	10 am
Sunday	2 November 2008	Heat 2	2 pm

#### Brighton & Seacliff Yacht Club

Saturday	6 December 2008	Heat 3	2 pm
Sunday	7 December 2008	Heat 4	10 am
Sunday	7 December 2008	Heat 5	2 pm
Saturday	7 February 2009	Heat 6	2 pm
Sunday	8 February 2009	<b>Resail</b>	10 am
Sunday	8 February 2009	Heat 7	2 pm

**Resails if required** Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2009, Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2009 at Brighton & Seacliff Yacht Club at 2pm

### 2. Eligibility

All competitors must be financial members of the Sabre Sailing Association of SA Inc. Boats shall have a current grade A measurement certificate affixed. Sail, centreboard and rudder blade shall be measured and signed for the 2008 / 09 season prior to the date of the first heat.

Competitors shall use only one (1) boat and only one (1) sail for the series.

### 3. Nomination

Nomination for the series shall be made by Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2008 by completing the Entry Form and forwarding it, together with the entry fee to the Treasurer, Ron Rickards, 66 Waratah Street, Seacliff SA 5049. The entry fee is set at \$10.00 for all categories. **A late entry fee of \$10 will apply to entries received after 22/10/08 and before 30/10/08. NOTE NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED IF RECEIVED AFTER 30/10/08** Competitors will be required to lodge club race nomination slips prior to each heat and pay the relevant safety fee.

#### **4. Rules & Sailing Instructions**

All races will be sailed under the 2005/2009 Rules of the ISAF, the Prescriptions of the AYF and the rules of the Sabre Sailing Association of Australia except where varied by the Sailing Instructions and this Notice of Race. The Sailing Instructions shall be the YSA standard Sailing Instructions for Class Boat events and programmed Regattas. The event will be a category A event in accordance with appendix G G3.1

#### **5. Scoring**

The Series provides for 7 races of which 6 shall count. Failing completion of 6 races a minimum of 5 races is required to constitute a series. Where only five races have been completed all 5 races shall count. Points will be allocated and ties resolved in accordance with the Low Point Scoring System (ISAF Appendix A2) with the following modifications;

A Yacht whose entry has been accepted and which;

- (a) Does not appear at the venue for a particular Heat will score points for the place equal to ten (10) more than the number of yachts entered in the series.
- (b) Appears at the venue but does not rank as a starter in a given heat will score points for the place equal to five (5) more than the number of yachts entered in the series.
- (c) Starts but does not finish shall score points equal to one (1) more than the number of yachts that ranked as starters.

Handicaps will be allocated by the Sabre Sailing Association of SA Inc. Handicaps will be adjusted on the results of each Heat.

A teams event (not teams racing) will be conducted during the series with the Committee dividing the entrants into an appropriate number of teams subject to the number of entries received. Each team will consist of skippers with varying degrees of skill. Each team will score points by the accumulation of each member's finishing position in each race. (eg a team of four members might finish 2, 8, 10, 19 for a total of 39 points for the race). The team with the least number of points at the conclusion of the series will be the winning team. The worst result of each team will be discarded irrespective of the number of heats sailed.

#### **6. General**

The South Australian Association recommends that, when the wind strength on the course area is constantly in excess of 25 knots prior to the start of a race, no race for the Sabre Class should be started. However, the decision to start a race will be at the sole discretion of the Race Officer, who should take into account the above recommendation and any other relevant factors when making a decision to start a race. The Race Officer may consult with the Sabre Association Committee members prior to making any decision to race or not to race.

Members may enter individual Races of the Series. Such races will not count as part of the Series. A safety fee will be payable to the club on that day.

#### **7. Liability**

Attention is drawn to the Fundamental Rule 4 which states:- "A boat is solely responsible for deciding whether to sail or not to *start* or continue *racing*."

## **8. Trophies**

Trophies will be awarded to 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> overall in the Open category, 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Handicap category and 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Ladies category and Junior category if more than 4 entries are received. If less than four Ladies or Junior entries are received a trophy for 1<sup>st</sup> place only will be awarded.

Trophies will be awarded to the 1<sup>st</sup> place in the other categories shown on the Entry Form. To be eligible the skipper must have ranked as a starter in at least five heats.

Each skipper will be eligible to win one (1) trophy only with the exception of the winning team in the team event. Skippers in the team event must have ranked as a starter in at least five heats to qualify for a trophy.

## **9. Time Limit for Back to Back Races**

A time limit for back to back races when scheduled shall be one (1) hour and thirty (30) minutes.