

2017 Belmont/Newcastle Laser Winter Series

May – August 2017

Belmont Bay (Lake Macquarie) & Newcastle Harbour (Newcastle)

Organising Authority

Belmont 16ft Sailing Club in conjunction with Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club



NOTICE OF RACE



1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing of World Sailing and the Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing.
- 1.2. Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 for off the beach boats will apply.
- 1.3. International Laser Class Association Class Rules will apply.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the Laser, Laser Radial and Laser 4.7 classes.
- 2.2. Each participating boat shall be helmed by a person who is a member of a Club affiliated with Australian Sailing.
- 2.3. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10 million per incident.
- 2.4. Eligible boats must enter via the TopYacht Entry System. This can be accessed via the webpage of both Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club and Belmont 16ft Sailing Club. No entry fee is required.
- 2.5. All sailors under the age of eighteen (18) years as at the 12th May 2017 must also complete a parental/guardian consent form and submit it in addition to their online entry.

3. SCHEDULE

- 3.1. Dates of Racing:

Date	Race Area	Host Club
13 th May 2017	Belmont Bay	Belmont 16ft Sailing Club
27 th May 2017	Newcastle Harbour	Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club
24 th June 2017	Belmont Bay	Belmont 16ft Sailing Club
8 th July 2017	Newcastle Harbour	Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club
22 nd July 2017	Belmont Bay	Belmont 16ft Sailing Club
5 th August 2017	Newcastle Harbour	Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club

- 3.2. The number of races per day will not exceed three.
- 3.3. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1.00pm. The warning signal for subsequent races will be made as soon as practicable after the finish of the preceding race.

4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

4.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available at the host club on race days.

5. VENUES

5.1. Attachment 1 shows the location of each of the host clubs and racing areas.

6. THE COURSES

6.1. The courses to be sailed will be windward/leeward courses.

7. PENALTY SYSTEM

7.1. Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

8. SCORING

8.1. The series will include a scratch result point score and a handicap result Pointscore. The race committee may establish separate class divisions as it deems appropriate.

8.2. A boat's handicap shall be based on an arbitrary Time Correction Factor (TCF). A boat's handicap score is then determined by its place relative to other boats based on corrected time. Corrected time is calculated by multiplying the boat's elapsed time by the TCF.

8.3. The selection of a handicap method or adjustment system shall be at the discretion of the race committee.

8.4. 6 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

8.5. In calculating a boat's series score, the worst 15% of scores will be dropped.

9. PRIZES

9.1. Prizes will be given at a presentation to be held at Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club after the last race of the series.

10. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY & RISK WARNING

10.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

10.2. Participants are warned that regardless of the precautions, which might be taken by reasonable and experienced persons, sailing can be a dangerous pursuit and participants are exposed to significant risk of property damage, physical harm and possible death. This risk warning is issued jointly by Belmont 16ft Sailing Club, Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club and NSW Roads & Maritime Services, pursuant to the Civil Liability Act 2002 to all persons wishing to participate in the sailing activities conducted by Belmont 16ft Sailing Club and/or Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club.

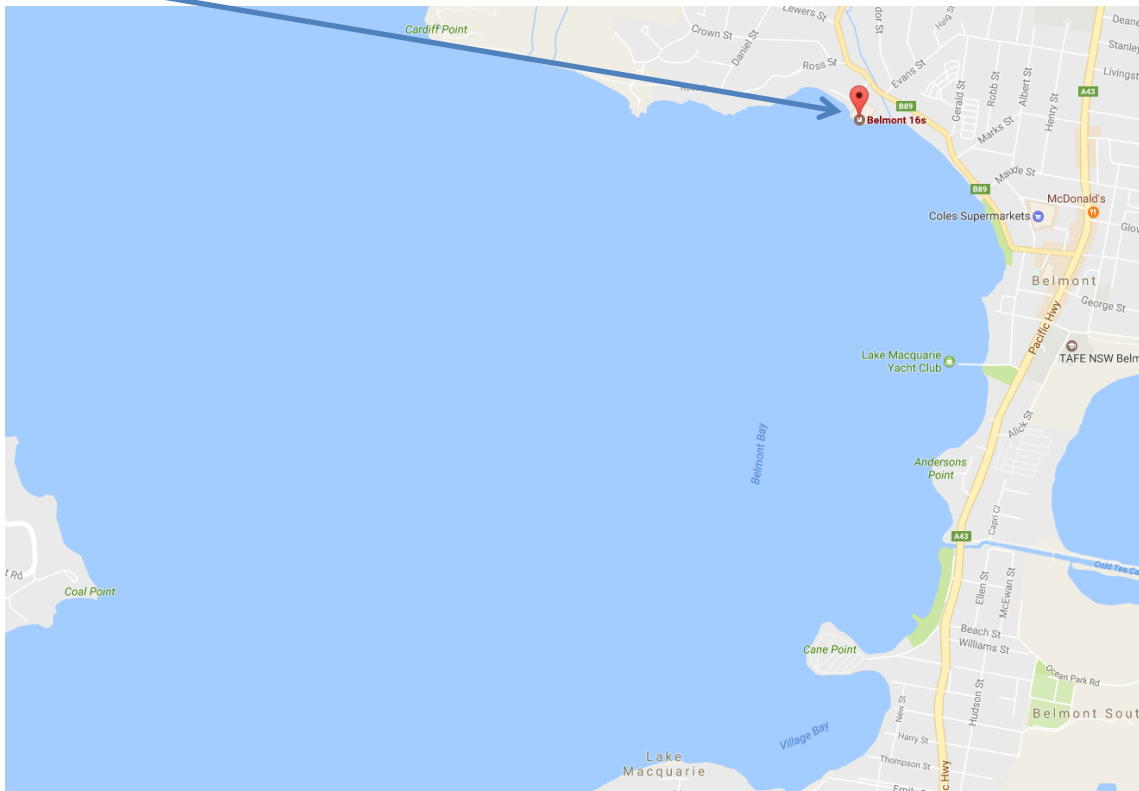
11. FURTHER INFORMATION

11.1. For further information please contact:

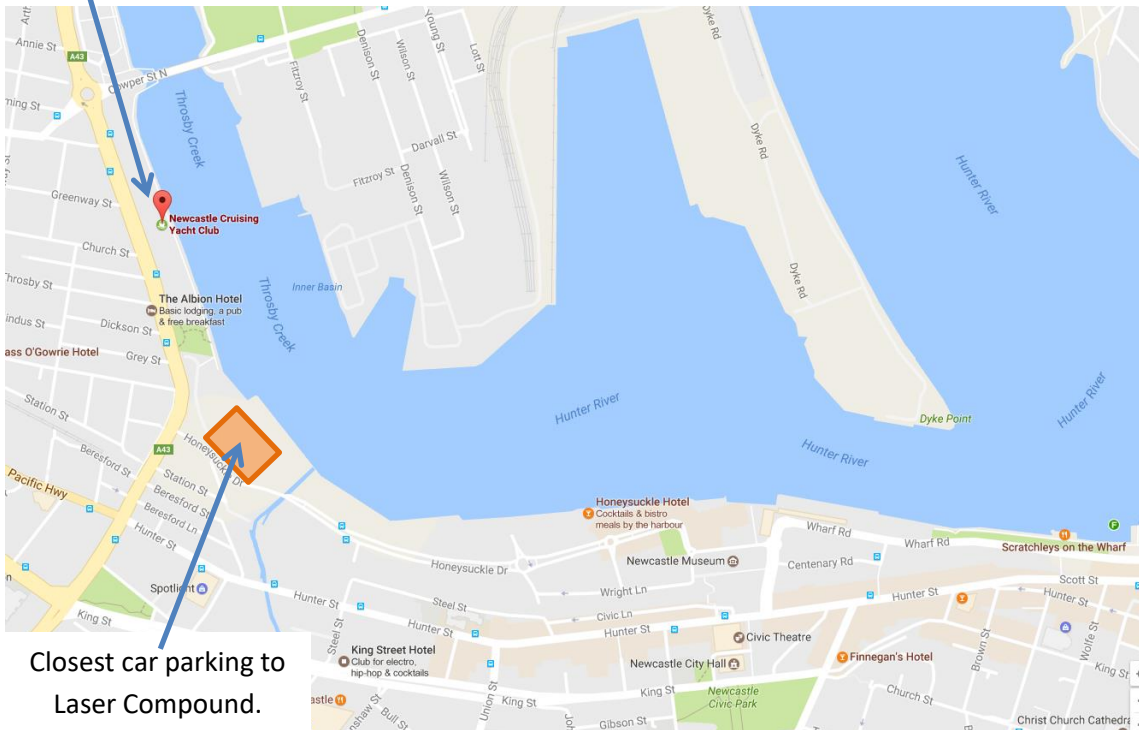
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Attachment 1
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Closest car parking to
Laser Compound.

PARENTAL CONSENT

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All sailors under the age of eighteen (18) years as at the 14th May 2016 must have this form signed by their Parent, Legal Guardian or Custodian.

The completed form must be lodged with the Club in order to complete registration. Sailors are not permitted to participate in the sailing activities of the Club if a Parental Consent form has not been lodged.

Sailor			
Boat Name		Sail Number	
Parent / Guardian		Mobile	
E-Mail			

I/we being the Parent / Legal Guardian / Custodian of the above mentioned Sailor;

- consent to him/her registering to compete in the 2016 Belmont/Newcastle Laser Winter Series (hereafter referred to as the "Series") upon the terms and conditions set out in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions.
- certify that he/she is able to swim a minimum of 50 meters and support himself/herself in the water for a minimum of five (5) minutes without assistance.
- authorise the Belmont 16ft Sailing Club Ltd and/or the Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club (hereafter referred to as the "Club") to obtain all medical, hospital and ambulance assistance they deem necessary in case of injury or accident. I/we will advise the Club in writing of any medical condition(s) of the abovementioned Sailor that I/we feel the Club should be aware of.
- acknowledge and agree that in consideration of the Sailing Instruction "Liability Disclaimer" that participation is entirely at the abovementioned Sailor's own risk.
- acknowledge and agree that in consideration of the Sailing Instruction "Risk Warning" that I/we have been made aware of the potential risks of this activity.
- acknowledge and certify that the boat on which the Sailor will participate in the Championship is insured as required in Sailing Instruction "Insurance" and that such insurance is valid for the entire period of the Championship.
- agree to allow the Club to use the abovementioned Sailor's full name and any photographs taken of the abovementioned Sailor for the promotion of sailing to the media and the general public, including via such mediums as the Club websites and social media sites.

DATED: this day of in the year

Print Full Name Clearly	Parent / Guardian Signature

