



# AUSTRALIAN INTERNATIONAL A DIVISION CATAMARAN ASSOCIATION Inc.

## 2026 A Class Catamaran. NSW Championship

**Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club  
27 Grace Street, Mannering Park**  
Saturday March 21st 2026 and Sunday March 22nd 2026

### NOTICE OF RACE

Australian International A-Division Catamaran Association Inc. (AIADCA), in conjunction with Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club invite entries from A-Division Catamaran Sailors to compete in the 2026 A Class Catamaran NSW Championships.

The Organising Authority is the Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club in conjunction with the Australian International A-Division Catamaran Association.

#### **1. RULES**

1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
2. The Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2, Off the Beach Boats, shall apply.
3. Appendix T, Arbitration, and the Equipment Rules of Sailing will apply, and
4. the class rules of the International A-Division Catamaran Association (IACA), except as any of these are altered by the sailing instructions.

#### **2. ADVERTISING**

- 2.1 The Regatta is classified as a category "C" event
- 2.2 The forward 25% of the hull is reserved by the Regatta Organising Authority for display of advertising by event sponsor(s). Boats intending to carry advertising should provide details of their sponsors on the entry form. Entrants will be advised if they are in conflict with the event sponsor(s). Tobacco advertising shall not be permitted.

#### **3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

1. The regatta is open to boats of the International A Division class and skippers who are financial members of AIADCA and Australian Sailing.
2. Boats with current IACA measurement certificates (sail, mast & platform) may compete in the following disciplines:

- Open
- Classic

- 2.1. Eligible boats shall enter online via Sailor App Regatta tab.

- 3.4 Entries are encouraged as early as possible to assist regatta organisers. Entries shall be made by close of Registration time on 21st of March 2024.

#### **4. FEES**

- 4.1 An Entry Fee of \$170 shall be payable to the AIADCA via the Sailor App Regatta tab.
- 4.2 Complimentary entry is available for AIADCA Life Members and interstate members who are financial for the current season.

#### **5. SCHEDULE OF REGATA**

Saturday 21st March 2024

<input type="checkbox"/> Registration	1000 – 1130hrs
<input type="checkbox"/> Racing	From 1300hrs
<input type="checkbox"/> Social dinner Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club	From 1830 hrs

Sunday 22nd March 2024

<input type="checkbox"/> Racing
<input type="checkbox"/> Presentation at Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club

#### **6. MEASUREMENT**

- 6.1 Competitors shall have current measurement certificates for sail, mast and platform used in the regatta
- 6.2 New sails, boats and equipment must be measured before arriving at championship.  
Facilities will not be available at the venue to undertake fundamental measurement
- 6.3 The Measurer may spot check boats at any time during the Regatta.  
A boat notified of inspection shall follow the instructions of the Measurers. Boats failing to measure in accordance with the rules will be scored DSQ from all races prior.

#### **7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing Instructions will be available at MPASC at Registration and on the Sailor App.

#### **8. VENUE**

The event will be conducted by MPASC. The Regatta will be sailed on the waters of Lake Macquarie.

#### **9. COURSE**

The Course and Course area will be as described in the Sailing Instructions.

#### **10. PENALTY**

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

**11. SCORING**

- 11.1 Up to 8 races are scheduled of which 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.2 The Low Point Scoring system as per RRS Appendix A4 will apply.
- 11.3 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 11.4 When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

**12. PRIZES**

- 12.1 The winners will receive the Perpetual Trophy for Open and Classic disciplines.
- 12.2 Prizes will also be awarded for the first 3 places overall Open and Classic disciplines.

Prizes will also be awarded in the newly established Retro ( straight boarded non deck sweeper) category.

- 12.3 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the AIADCA. This may include trophies or prizes to the highest placed sailors in age divisions - Junior (under 25), Masters (45-54), Grand Master (55-64), and Great Grand Masters (65+), and Women's division. Age shall be determined as at 1st January 2024.

**13. SAFETY**

Appropriate approved buoyancy aids shall be worn in accordance with Australian Sailing Special Regulation Part 2.

**14. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

**15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See 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.

**16. INSURANCE**

All boats shall have third party insurance cover of not less than AU\$5,000.000 (AU\$10,000,000 recommended). All competitors who sign the Entry Form are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold valid Insurance.

**17. BOAT & TRAILER STORAGE, CAR PARKING**

Car and Boat storage is available adjacent to the club.

**18. ACCOMMODATION & CATERING**

- Camping and cabins are available at a commercial caravan park adjacent to the club
- The club has a liquor license and canteen available for Sat and Sun.

**19. FURTHER INFORMATION**

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