

**2022**

**International Moth Class  
NSW Traveller Series &  
State Championships**

**Woollahra Sailing Club**  
29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup> October 2022

**South Lake MacQuarie Amateur Sailing Club**  
19th/20th November 2022

**NOTICE OF RACE**

ORGANISING AUTHORITY  
**INTERNATIONAL MOTH CLASS ASSOCIATION OF  
AUSTRALIA**

**COVID Protocols.**

By taking part in the events covered by this Notice of Race, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations in force with respect to COVID-19 and complying with the safety plans of the two host events. Failure to comply with the safety plans can result in immediate disqualification.

**1. Language**

- 1.1 The governing language of the regatta, and all communication shall be in English
- 1.2 Any dispute over the rules and class documentations shall be interpreted using the literal English meaning.
- 1.3 All disputes shall be heard, and arbitrated over in English.
- 1.4 In any conflict between languages, the English language will take precedence.

**2. Rules**

- 2.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing rules of Sailing 2021-2024.
- 2.2 The Class and Championship Rules of the International Moth Class Association will apply except for those altered by the Notice of Race OR the Sailing Instructions
- 2.3 Rule 44.1 and Appendix P2.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a 270 degree penalty consisting of one gybe when sailing an upwind leg, or one tack when sailing a downwind leg.
- 2.4 Any other change to the racing rules will be documented in the sailing instructions.
- 2.5 The Australian National Authority Prescriptions will apply.
- 2.6 In accordance with the Moth Class AGM 2019, the race committee will assess whether to;
  - (a) Increase the 3-boat length rule at the mark to 5 boat lengths
  - (b) Assess the right of way requirements for when two boats on the same tack converge with one heading upwind and one heading downwind.Confirmation of these updates shall be documented in the sailing instructions.

**3. Advertising, Media, Rights and Camera Equipment**

- 3.1 Boats may be required to display bow numbers and advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

**4. Eligibility and Entry**

- 4.1 The regatta is open to boats of the International Moth Class that comply with the Moth Class Rules and carry a valid measurement certificate.
- 4.2 All competitors shall be fully paid-up members of the International Moth Class Association of Australia.

- 4.4 The helmsperson named on the boat entry form shall be the same for all races
- 4.5 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form on the Australian International Moth Class Website and paying the required entry fee.

## **5. Fees**

- 5.1 The entry fee for both weekends of competition is: \$250AUD
- 5.2 The entry fee competitors to compete in only the Woollahra event is: \$165
- 5.3 The entry fee for competitors to compete in only the Sunshine event is: \$105
- 5.3 The entry fee is not refundable within 2 weeks of the first event, however special dispensation may be considered by the Organising Authority upon application

## **6. Format of Races**

- 6.1 Six races shall constitute a valid championship
- 6.2 Number of races: it is intended to conduct 12 races over the period of two weekends with 6 races per weekend. It is intended to conduct three races per day.
- 6.4 One additional race per day may be sailed provided the program does not get more than two races ahead of schedule.

## **7. Schedule of Events**

- 7.1 Racing at Woollahra will be held on the 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of October
  - 7.1.1 Race Time: 29<sup>th</sup> October - First Race 3pm – subsequent races immediately after
  - 7.1.2 Race Time: 30<sup>th</sup> October - First Race 3pm – subsequent races immediately after
- 7.2 Racing at South Lake Macquarie Amateur Sailing Club will be held on the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> of November.
  - 7.2.1 Race Time: 19<sup>th</sup> Of November – First Race 2pm – subsequent races to follow
  - 7.2.2 Race Time: 20<sup>th</sup> of November – First Race 12pm – subsequent races to follow
  - 7.2.3 Warning signals will not sound later 4pm on 20<sup>th</sup> of November
- 7.3 Indication of the approximate times of warning signals for the following days racing will be placed on the club noticeboard.
- 7.4 The organising authority will assess timing of the first warning signal in consideration of the weather forecast.

## **8. Measurement**

- 8.1 Each boat shall have a valid measurement certificate for all equipment and sails available for inspection at each regatta.
- 8.2 Competitors shall not change rudders, dagger boards or T-foils while afloat. Any change of rig or foils shall be made ashore at the regatta venue.
- 8.3 Only 2 sails, 2 masts, 2 front foils (horizontal) and 2 rear foils (horizontal) shall be used.
- 8.5 Equipment can be replaced on gear breakage only with permission from the IMCA as the regatta organiser.
- 8.6 Boats found to exceed the equipment limitations may be scored a two(2) place penalty for any races completed using equipment in violation of the rule.
- 8.7 Boats may be subject to measurement inspection at any time before or after a race.

## **9. Sailing Instructions**

- 9.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available at Registration for each regatta and may be published prior on the IMCA Australia website. Email notifications will be sent to all registered competitors.

## **10.1 Penalty System**

- 10.1 Rule 44.1 and Appendix P2.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a 270 degree penalty consisting of one gybe when on an upwind leg, or one tack when on a downwind leg.

## **11. Venue**

- 11.1 The racing area will be held at:
- Woollahra Sailing Club – three course areas available with racing area determined by the club. See map on IMCA Event page.
  - South Lake Maquarie Amateur Sailing Club – the racing will in waters to the north of the clubhouse. See map on IMCA Event page.
- 11.2 In the event of predicted strong wind conditions, on instruction from the venue, all competitors are required to secure their boats using appropriate tie down straps.
- 11.3 Boats shall be kept within the designated areas within the boat park.
- 11.4 All competitors shall follow all club directions with regard to COVID safety protocols.
- 11.5 Woolahra Sailing Club Information
- 11.5.1 See Information pack on the IMCA Website Event Information page.
- 11.6 South Lake Maquarie Amateur Sailing Club Information
- 11.6.1 Catering:
- The Club Canteen and Licensed Bar will operate both days of the Regatta.
  - The Bay Hotel is located within the Bay Shopping Village within a few minutes of the club and has full Bar, Restaurant and Bottle Shop services available across the weekend.
  - Numerous take away food outlets and a Coles supermarket are also located within the Bay Shopping Village.
- 11.6.2 Camping:
- Camping. Strictly limited tent sites will be permitted in the designated area adjacent to the clubhouse.
  - A council imposed camping fee of \$35 per tent per night is payable to SLMASC at registration. A camping permit will be issued by the Club and must be retained for presentation to LMCC Rangers who may inspect the camping area during the event.
  - Toilet and shower facilities are available 24hrs at the Club.
  - To book your site contact [treasurer@slmasc.org](mailto:treasurer@slmasc.org) before the event to ensure availability.

## **12. Courses**

- 12.1 Courses will be windward/leeward races with exact details to be included in the sailing instructions.
- 12.2 Racing shall be conducted using Grand Prix style finishes.
- 12.3 If sufficient lowrider boats enter to constitute a separate fleet, the venue can elect to run an alternate course in discussion with the lowrider fleet with consideration for alternate awards.

## **13. Scoring**

- 13.1 Six races are required to constitute a valid championship.

- 13.2 When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores.
- 13.3 (a) When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from seven to ten races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) When eleven or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- 13.5 The "Grand Prix"(Lapped Finish) finishing practice shall be used. This procedure will be described in full in the sailing instructions
- 13.6 Failure to sign on and off for a race shall be assigned a penalty as defined in the sailing instructions.

#### **14. Support boats**

- 14.1 Private support boats will be required to be registered with each venue and shall confirm to requirements defined by them. Drivers may be required to attend a briefing.
- 14.2 Drivers shall hold a powerboat license from their home jurisdiction.

#### **15. Prizes**

- 15.1 Prizes and awards for the series will be provided at the discretion of the NSW chapter of the International Moth Class Association.

#### **16. Radio and Cellular Communications**

- 16.1 A boat shall not be permitted to send or receive radio transmissions or phone calls whilst racing
- 16.2 A boat is permitted to receive data whilst racing from public freely available data sources.
- 16.3 Data signals associated with tracking systems supplied by the organising authority, or camera equipment to support media coverage by official media representatives are exempt from this requirement.

#### **17. Insurance**

- 17.1 Each participating boat shall be required to have appropriate insurance cover for the event.

#### **18. Risk Statement**

- 18.1 RRS 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".
- 18.2 Sailing is by its nature, an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
- a They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event.
  - b They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission.
  - c Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate.
  - d The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organisers does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.

- e The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as it can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- f It is the competitors responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the event and to attend any safety briefings held for this event.

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.

### **19. Sustainability**

- 19.1 Competitors will be encouraged to limit the use of single use water bottles with refill facilities on club grounds.
- 19.2 Support boats will be able to supply and retrieve water bottles, and general refuse from competitors between races.
- 19.3 Competitors caught deliberately disposing waste into the water may be subject to disqualification.
- 19.4 All competitors are expected to dispose of any refuse appropriately at the venue.

### **20. Further Information**

Further Information shall be made available on the International Moth class Website or contact

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