

NOTICE OF REGATTA

2005 KZN INTERSCHOOLS REGATTA

OPTIMIST, DABCHICK, MIRROR and LASER

TO BE HELD AT HENLEY MIDMAR YACHT CLUB
Saturday 12th March to Sunday 13th March 2005

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Championship is organized by the Henley Midmar Yacht Club in conjunction with the KwaZulu Natal Optimist, Dabchick, Mirror and Laser Class Associations under the authority and sanction of the KZN Schools' Sailing Association.

2. RULES

The Championship will be governed by the Rules as defined in the 2005/2008 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), all relevant Class rules, this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions. The KZN Schools' Sailing Association requirements for KZN Schools' Sailing Colours will be applicable.

3. CLASSES

The Championship is open to the following yacht classes: Optimist, Dabchick, Mirror and Laser.

4. ELIGIBILITY

4.1 Any full-time pupil at a KwaZulu Natal school may enter. Where applicable to double handed classes, the skipper and crew shall be from the same school.

4.2 The following age limits apply as at the 12th March 2005:

Optimist Class Under 16

All other Classes Under 19.

4.3 A team comprises two participating helmsmen per class from the same school. Should a helmsman be the only participant in his/her class from his/her school, the 2nd team member will be scored as "did not compete" (DNC).

5. MEASUREMENT CERTIFICATES

Each competing yacht shall hold a valid class measurement or registration certificate issued or accepted by SA Sailing, the number of which shall be stated on the entry form.

6. CHAMPIONSHIP REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of four races shall be completed and a minimum of 5 finishers in at least one race shall constitute the Interschools Championship for a particular class.

7. ADVERTISING

The regatta is classified Category C in terms of RRS Appendix 1, Regulation 20.

8. ENTRIES & LEVIES

8.1 Entries shall be submitted on the Entry Form attached to this Notice of Race accompanied by the Entry Fee of R60.00 per boat, to reach the Regatta Chairman not later than Monday 28th February 2005. Late entries received thereafter will be R75.00 and will be accepted until the close of registration and entries at the venue.

8.2 Cheques should be made out to the Natal Schools Sailing Association. Entry forms must be countersigned by a parent or guardian in the case of minors. Entry forms must be posted to Rainer von Schlichting, Michaelhouse, P.O. Balgowan, 3275.

8.3 Electronic transfers should be made to the Natal Schools Sailing Association. The details for Electronic Transfers can be obtained on request from Rainer von Schlichting (Tel: 033-234 1081). Fax a confirmation of your deposit to Rainer von Schlichting on 033- 234 4428.

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9. REGISTRATION

Registration will take place at the HMYC Committee Room window on the main Clubhouse veranda between 09h00 and 10h00 on Saturday 12th March 2005 at which time entries will close.

10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

10.1 Sailing Instructions will be issued by email to competitors upon receipt of their entry form. Sailing Instructions will also be available at registration. They will also be posted on the following internet web sites for downloading www.smoothsailing.co.za and www.optimist.co.za

10.2 There will be voluntary a skippers' briefing before the start of the first race on Saturday 12th March at 10h00 on the HMYC Clubhouse verandah.

11. MEASUREMENT & SCRUTINY OF EQUIPMENT

All yachts competing in the Championships shall, if requested, be made available for scrutiny by official Class measurers for compliance with the Class Rules. Substitution of damaged equipment may be permitted, after approval of the Race Committee.

12. SCHEDULE OF RACING

The races are scheduled on an Olympic Triangle course for all Classes: The first race, on Saturday 12th March will not start before 10h30 and the last race on Sunday 13th March will not start after 15h30. A maximum of twelve races are scheduled.

13. SCORING

13.1 The 'Low Points' scoring system RRS Appendix A4 will be used to score all classes. A minimum of four races shall be completed. If four races are completed, all race results will count. If five or more races are completed, one race result shall be discarded. If ten or more races are completed, two race results shall be discarded.

13.2 There shall be no official teams as such. Each boat will score points as per 13.1 above. The winning school for each trophy will be that school whose first two boats achieve the lowest combined total in the Championship. Should any team lack a second member, the missing member will be recorded and scored as 'Did Not Compete'.

14. SUPPORT BOATS

Individual support/coach boats will only be permitted subject to the following conditions. All support/coach boats are to be registered with the Race Committee. All support/coach boats shall comply with the rules as laid down by the Race Committee.

15. PRIZES, AWARDS & PRIZE GIVING

15.1 Class trophies will be awarded to the winning team in each class in which there were 10 or more starters in any one race.

15.2 There will be an additional prize for the best girls' team.

15.3 There will be an award for the best Primary School Team where applicable.

15.4 Where a participant achieved the best individual score in his/her class but did not have a team member (see point 5. above), special recognition will be made at the prize giving.

15.5 Prize giving will take place on Sunday 13th March, one hour after the last race in the HMYC Clubhouse.

16. SAFETY EQUIPMENT

All competing yachts shall comply with their class buoyancy and safety requirements. The wearing of personal buoyancy aids is compulsory for all Classes at all times on the water.

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17. COMMUNICATIONS

All communications should be addressed to :

Regatta Chairman	Rainer von Schlichting	033 234 1081	raisch@mhs.kzn.school.za
Race Officer	Rob Walker	033 7011 948	rswalker@mweb.co.za
HMYC Camping Officer	Peter Metcalfe	033 347 3438	p.g.met@mweb.co.za

18. LIABILITY

Participation in this event is entirely at the risk of competitors and no responsibility for damage or injury resulting therefrom will rest with the organising authority, class associations, or any persons concerned with the conduct of the regatta.

19. SPORTSMANSHIP

All competitors shall compete in compliance with recognised principles of sportsmanship and fair play, RRS 2. A fundamental principle of which is that when competitors break a rule they will promptly take a penalty or retire.

20. GENERAL INFORMATION

a) Club camping should be booked through:

Peter Metcalfe (082- 453 8764)

Camping fees:

HMYC Members:	Non Members:
Adults: R30.00	Adults: R45.00
Kids U15: R15.00	Kids U15: R22.50

Please do not erect any tents until you have signed in and fees are paid.

b) For Chalet/Rustic Cabins at Midmar phone 033- 845 1000

c) For camping at Midmar phone 033- 330 2067

During the period of the regatta, the same behaviour is expected of scholars as if they are at the school, on and off the water.

Your attention is drawn to the possible dangers of hypothermia and dehydration while sailing. Parents / teachers are advised to make proper provision for warm protective clothing and on-board liquid beverages.

ENQUIRIES AND ENTRY FORMS TO BE SENT TO:

Rainer von Schlichting
Michaelhouse
P.O.Balgowan
3275

Tel/Fax: 033- 234 1029 (w)
033- 234 1081 (h)
Cell: 084- 602 9209
E-Mail: raisch@mhs.kzn.school.za

ASAP COMPLETED ENTRY FORM AND INDEMNITY FORM (ATTACHED) MUST ACCOMPANY PAYMENT OR PROOF OF PAYMENT.

Catering facilities are available at HMYC for breakfasts and lunches. Cool drinks, sweets, snacks will be on sale.

Dear Sailor

1. Get all the information on the upcoming KZN Interschools by going to the forum or clicking here -

<http://optimist.co.za/forum/index.php?s=65a12eb980221208597d893699c86400&act=SF&f=18>

2. If you are in the Natal area please send all of your school mates to the www.optimist.co.za web site where they can also get the information on the KZN Interschools by going to - http://www.optimist.co.za/kwazulunatal_regional_news.htm and clicking on the news link to the KZN Interschools. I am sure that the other regions also have interschool regattas - please send me the info, a report back after the event and pictures to publish on the web site.

KEEP ON SAILING

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Entry Form
KwaZulu Natal Schools Sailing Association
2005 Interschools Championships

Henley Midmar Yacht Club from 12th March to 13th March 2005

BLOCK CAPITALS

Skipper : _____ Club : _____ DOB : _____

Crew : _____ Club : _____ DOB : _____

Class : _____ Measurement certificate number : _____

Sail No. : _____ Boat name : _____ Girl : Yes / No (Circle one only)

School : _____ High School or Primary (Circle one only)

Address of School Secretary : _____

Skippers Contact address : _____

Phone number Home : _____ Cell : _____

E-mail address : _____

I agree to be bound by the rules of the ISAF, the SA Sailing prescription thereto, this Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions and the Rules of the Class Association.

I acknowledge that participation in this regatta is entirely at the competitors' own risk and no responsibility for damage, injury or loss from participating in this regatta will rest with the Organising Authority, Organising Committee, the Class Associations, the host Club, or any person or agent of these bodies.

Skipper Sign : _____ Date : _____ Guardian : _____

Crew Sign : _____ Date : _____ Guardian : _____

Post to Rainer von Schlichting, Michaelhouse, P.O. Balgowan, 3275, or fax to 033 – 234 1081.

Cheques made out to the Natal Schools Sailing Association. Entries close 28th February 2005.

Late entries received thereafter will be R75.00 and will be accepted until the close of registration at 10h00 on 12 March at the HMYC Committee Room window.

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INDEMNITY:

Accordingly, please complete the following:

I, _____ hereby give my consent for my child to participate in the Natal Schools Regatta on the understanding that it is at his/her own risk and that no responsibility for any damage or injury resulting thereof shall rest with the organising authority or any person connected with the running of the regatta.

Signature (Helmsman's parent/guardian): _____

Date: _____

Signature (Crews parents/guardian): _____

Date: _____