

**Sprog**  
**CLASS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2003**

**Notice of Race**

Notice is hereby given that the above sailing event is scheduled to take place as detailed in this Notice of Race. Entries are invited in terms of this Notice.

**DATES**

27 December 2003 until 30 December 2003 both dates inclusive.

**VENUE**

Henley Midmar Yacht Club

**ORGANISING AUTHORITY**

South African Sprog Class Association in association with Henley Midmar Yacht Club the under the authority and sanction of South African Sailing.

**CLASSES**

National Championship Classes: Sprog

The following categories will be recognised within the classes stated. Such categories will not be recognised as separate events and will not be accorded championship status.

Sprog Class : Under 21

**RULES**

The Championships will be governed by;

The 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) for 2001-2004 of the International Sailing Association Federation (ISAF), subject to the changes made in terms of this Notice.

The rules of the Sprog Class

The SA Sailing Requirements for National Championships

This Notice of Race

The Sailing Instructions and any amendments thereof

**ADVERTISING**

Category C will apply in terms of the ISAF advertising code RRS Section II Appendix 1 Regulation 20.

**ELIGIBILITY**

Competitors shall comply with the International Sailing Federation (ISAF) eligibility requirement in accordance with RRS Appendix 2 Regulation 21 which requires that all competitors (helms and all other crew) shall be members in good standing of a Yacht Club affiliated to and in good standing with SA Sailing. The Yacht Club name and membership details shall be stated on the entry form. Current valid Club membership cards shall be presented at Registration.

The Owner or helmsman shall be a Member in good standing of the South African Sprog Class Association.

**CLASS CATEGORY CRITERIA**

The following category applies to the helmsman only.

Sprog Class    Criteria

Under 21        Must not turn 21 before the end of the calendar year in which the regatta is

sailed.

## **MEASUREMENT or REGISTRATION 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. A copy of the certificate shall be submitted with the entry form and the original thereof presented at Registration.

## **ENTRIES**

Entries must be completed on the attached official entry form and submitted together with the required entry fee to the Regatta Secretary at registration.

Entry forms must be countersigned by a parent or guardian where the competitor will be under the age of 21 years on the first day of the regatta.

Telephonic or incomplete entries will not be accepted.

Eligible entries will be accepted until the close of Registration at the venue. Refer to the clause "Registration" below. Entries submitted at the venue may be accepted if accompanied by proof of compliance with the eligibility and measurement / registration certificate requirements.

The entry fee is R200-00 per boat.

All enquiries are to be addressed to: Andrew Heathcote  
083 783 8805  
andrew@smoothsailing.co.za

## **PAYMENT OF ENTRY FEES**

All entry fees are to be paid in cash or by cheque to the regatta secretary during registration.

All Entry Fees and Class subscriptions shall be paid prior to the close of Entries and Registration.

Failure to meet this requirement will result in the affected yacht being recorded as Did Not Compete until such time as the required payment/s are made. This changes rule A11 (DNC).

## **ENTRY FORMS**

Entry forms can be found along with this NOR at [www.smoothsailing.co.za](http://www.smoothsailing.co.za)

## **SCRUTINY of EQUIPMENT**

Official SA Sailing measurers may scrutinise any competing yacht for compliance with the Class Rules during the event.

## **REGISTRATION**

Entries shall be confirmed by registration with the Regatta Secretary at the venue commencing at : **09:00** and ending at **12:00** on the 27<sup>th</sup> of December 2003.

The following documents shall be presented at Registration:

- \* Current yacht club membership card,
- \* Class membership receipt or other proof of membership
- \* Measurement or registration certificate,

Competitor's names which do not appear on the relevant official class list issued by SA Sailing for the current year as having paid the annual class subscription fee for the period shall pay the prescribed class membership fee before registration. Where proof of payment of Class Fees is not available a competitor shall pay the required class fee to the Regatta Secretary and the amount will be refunded if proof of prior payment is later submitted.

All fees (entry and class membership) shall be paid before the closing of entries. Refer to the paragraph "Payment of Entry Fees" above.

## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing instructions will be available from the Regatta Secretary at the regatta venue upon registration.

## **EQUIPMENT**

Yachts shall display the registered number. Equipment shall not be changed during the event. Substitution of damaged equipment may be permitted subject to written approval of the Race Committee.

## **NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP REQUIREMENTS**

In order to qualify as a National Class Championship the following criteria shall be satisfied;

- \* A minimum of ten valid entries have been received no later than the closing time for entries one hour before the scheduled starting time of the first race;
- \* at least ten finishers in any two races of the series;
- \* at least four races completed.

## **SCHEDULE OF RACES**

The First Race of the championship is scheduled to start at: **13:00** on 27 December 2003.

The times for subsequent races will be advised at the venue in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.

Twenty races are scheduled.

No warning signal will be made after **15:00** on the last day of racing.

## **RACING AREA and COURSES**

The racing area and courses to be sailed will be set out in the Sailing Instructions.

## **SAFETY**

Yachts shall comply with their class buoyancy and safety requirements.

Each yacht shall be equipped with a buoyancy aid for each crew member. This must be stowed in an easily accessible position.

Youth category competitors shall wear a personal buoyancy aid at all times while afloat in a yacht.

## **SCORING SYSTEM**

The points scoring system, RRS A4 will apply.

When four races or fewer have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding one worst score for every five races.

The applicable categories within the Class National Championships shall be scored in the open event and the overall order in which they finish in this event shall determine their position in each category with the best placed finisher in the overall results being awarded first place. Class categories will not be scored separately.

## **ISAF ANTI-DOPING CODE**

Testing of competitors may be conducted in terms of the ISAF anti-doping code contained in RRS Appendix 3 regulation 19.

Declarations in terms of sub regulation 19.10 and requests for dispensation in terms of sub regulation 19.11 shall be submitted to the SA Sailing Medical Officer.

### **PRIZES & AWARDS**

Prizes and awards will be presented at the prize giving which will follow as soon as possible after the last race.

SA Sailing medals will be presented to competitors in accordance with the SA Sailing requirements for National Championships in accordance with the following table:

Yachts finishing at least 2 races	Medal
10 to 14	Gold
15 to 19	Gold and Silver
20 or more	Gold, Silver and Bronze

Other prizes may be presented at the discretion of the Race Committee.

### **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.

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

The following general information does not form part of the Notice of Race.

### **Camping**

Camping is available at HMYC for the duration of the regatta at the following cost:

Participants:	Adults	R25-00 per person
	Under 15 yrs of age:	R12-00 per person
Non-Participants:	Adults	R40-00 per person
	Under 15 yrs of age:	R20-00 per person

Those taking part in the regatta can stay over at HMYC for the New Year however camping from the time the regatta ends will be charged at non-participant rates except for members of HMYC who pay club rates.

There is no booking of specific campsites. Allocation is strictly on a first-come-first served basis. A maximum of 60 campers can be accommodated on the Club grounds.

Camping fees are to be paid at registration.

### **Catering**

The canteen at HMYC will be open for the duration of the event serving three meals a day. Braai packs will be available in the evenings and braai fires will be lit on the veranda next to

the club bar.

The Bar will be open daily from 12:00 daily. The Bar will close at 22:00 daily unless well patronised. Drinks will be at a special promotional rate for the duration of the regatta.

### **Welcoming Party**

A welcoming party will be held in the HMYC Bar after racing on the first day of the regatta.

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**NATIONAL CLASS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2003**  
 Henley Midmar Yacht Club, 27 to 30 December 2003  
**ENTRY FORM**

Please enter the following yacht in the above Sprog Class National Championship event:

**Yacht Details**

Name: .....  
 Registration / Measurement Certificate:  
 No: .....  
 Issued By: .....  
 Issue Date: .....

**(Enclose copy with Entry Form)**

Have any alterations been made since the yacht was measured for registration that could affect the validity of the certificate?      | **YES** | **NO** |

Registered Owner: .....  
 Yacht Club Member: .....  
 Class Member: .....

**Entry Fee:**                    R200-00  
**Payment Method:**        Cash/Cheque  
**Paid**                             Yes/No

**Competitor Details**

	<u><b>Helm/Skipper</b></u>	<u><b>Crew</b></u>
Name		
Yacht Club		
Membership Number		
Class Membership		
Address		
Telephone No		
Facsimile No		
Date of Birth (under 21)		
Signature of Competitor		
Signature Parent or Guardian if under 21		

**Competitor declaration**

By our signatures above I/we declare and agree;  
**that** the information provided in this entry form is to the best of our knowledge correct, **to** be bound by the rules, requirements and documents governing the event as defined in the Notice of Race, **and** to compete in the event entirely at my/our own risk, accepting that none of the organisations or persons concerned in the management of the regatta will accept any liability for damages or injury suffered at any time during the period of and as a result of participation in the Regatta.