



SSANSW COVID Escape Regatta

3rd – 8th January 2021

ORGANISING AUTHORITY:

Skate Sailing Association of NSW Inc,
Vee Ess Sailing Association Inc
& South Lake Macquarie Amateur Sailing Club



NOTICE OF RACE

OVERVIEW

The Skate Sailing Association of NSW COVID Escape Regatta is being held in conjunction with the 76th Vee Ess 15' Skiff Australian Championships.

It is being jointly organised by the Vee Ess Sailing Association (VSSA) and the Skate Sailing Association of NSW (SSANSW) and is being hosted by South Lake Macquarie Amateur Sailing Club (SLMASC).

The Skates will share courses with the Vee Ess fleet – windward/leeward courses sailed in front of the club. There will be two heats each race day and the Skates will start 5 minutes after the Vee Ess start.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020. ([Download a Copy](#)).
- 1.2 The Special Regulations of Australian Sailing - Part 2 for Off the Beach Boats will apply. ([Download a Copy](#))
- 1.3 The Special Rules of the Skate Sailing Association of Australia will apply. ([Download a Copy](#))

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Skate class.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached Entry Form and submitting it with the required fee by **28 December 2020** as described on the Entry Form.
- 3.3 Late entries will be accepted after 28 December 2020 at the discretion of the Organising Authority.



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4 SCHEDULE

4.1 Registration: Sunday 03 January 2021 from 11am.

4.2 Dates of racing:

Day/Date	Time	Event
Sunday 03 January 2021	1100 – 1300 1240 1400 ASAP after Heat 1	Registration Competitors Briefing Heat 1 Signal Heat 2
Monday 04 January	1400 ASAP after Heat 3	Heat 3 Warning Signal Heat 4
Tuesday 05 January		Lay Day Northern Skates BBQ
Wednesday 06 January	1400 ASAP after Heat 5	Heat 5 Warning Signal Heat 6
Thursday 07 January		Lay Day
Friday 08 January	1330 ASAP after Heat 7 1600 1700	Heat 7 Warning Signal Heat 8 Last Warning Signal Presentation

5 MEASUREMENT

5.1 Each boat shall be weighed and measured, and any new sails measured at Club or State level prior to the regatta if possible.

5.2 Attention is drawn to applicability of Rule 6.7 of the Skate Sailing Association Special Rules – Experimental Rigs eligible to compete.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

6.1 The sailing instructions will be available for downloading from the Skate Sailing Association website one week prior to the Regatta.



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7. VENUE

7.1 The regatta will be hosted by South Lake Macquarie Amateur Sailing Club (SLMASC).



7.2 The racing area will be on the waters of Lake Macquarie adjacent to SLMASC.

8 SCORING

8.1 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

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

(b) When more than six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst if seven races completed or excluding her two worst if eight races completed.

9. RADIO COMMUNICATION

9.1 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.

10 PRIZES

10.1 Prizes will be awarded as follows:

- Skipper and crew of the scratch winner – total 6 best results
- Skipper and crew of the handicap winner – total all 8 results

11 DISCLAIMERS OF LIABILITY

11.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing 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.



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12 COVID-19

- 12.1 By taking part in the event 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 SLMASC COVID Safety Plan.
- 12.2 All competitors, supporters, volunteers and officers are required to register their contact details for COVID-19 Tracing via the Service NSW COVID Safe Check In App

13 RISK WARNING

- 13.1 This Risk Warning is issued jointly by SSANSW, VSSA and SLMASC, pursuant to the Civil Liability Act 2002, to all persons wishing to participate in the sailing activities conducted by SSANSW, VSSA and SLMASC.
- 13.2 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 possibly death. As an indication, these risks may include, but are not limited to:
- The extremes of weather and sea conditions.
 - The potential that control of vessels may be lost, resulting in collision with objects and other vessels
 - The sudden movement of the vessel at any time and the possibility that participants may fall or be thrown overboard, resulting in drowning.
 - The possibility that participants may be injured by equipment on the vessel.
 - The absence of immediate medical care and the likelihood that significant delays may occur before medical care is available.
 - Exposure to the elements for extended periods.
- 13.3 SSANSW, VSSA, SLMASC and RMS (NSW Maritime) also warn participants that regardless of their best intentions, they may be unable to render assistance to participants who are in distress. Participants are warned to consider the above risks and all other risks before deciding to participate in this sailing event.

14 INSURANCE

- 14.1 Competitors are required to have insurance with third party liability cover of up to \$10M to cover risks arising while the competitor is participating in the regatta, whether ashore or afloat.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

Please contact:

- Greg Halliday: M: 0419 252 652 E: g.halliday@bigpond.com
 - Peter Scott: M: 0417 73 084 E: peter@sofrade.com.au
- Skate Sailing Association Website: <https://skatesailingaustralia.org/index.html>

ATTACHMENTS:

- Useful Information – Accommodation, Boat Storage
- Regatta Entry Form



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ATTACHMENT A: USEFUL INFORMATION



ACCOMMODATION

There is no camping allowed at the club.

Limited accommodation is available for a nominal fee in Peter Scott's unfurnished rental property at Fishing Point (near Rathmines). The refrigerator and stove in the kitchen will be operational as will the hot water system. Guests will need to bring their own bedding – mattress, sleeping bag etc, linen & towels, cutlery, crockery, cooking utensils and supply their own food, drinks and entertainment.

There may be accommodation or campsites available at local hotels and caravan parks – to be arranged directly by competitors if desired.

BOAT STORAGE & TRAILER PARKING

Trailers may be left adjacent to SLMASC. Note that priority over any space will be given to boats wishing to rig.

Boats may be left in the rigging area overnight however all liability for loss or damage to any article left at SLMASC remains with the owner.

Smaller items such as sails & foils may be stored under SLMASC.



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ENTRY FORM



BOAT NAME			
Registered Number		Sail Number	
Club			
Insurer		Policy Number	
SKIPPER:			
Name			
Address			
Email		Phone	
Date of Birth		YA Member No	
CREW:			
Name			
Address			
Email		Phone	
Date of Birth		YA Member No	

Skipper's Declaration:

I agree to be bound by the racing rules of the ISAF and by all other rules that govern the event.

I acknowledge Rule 4 – Decision to Race: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue *racing* is hers alone".

I am currently a financial member of (Club) _____

Signed: _____ Date _____

Please submit entries by email to:

Greg Halliday

M: 0419 252 652 E: g.halliday@bigpond.com

Entries must be accompanied by a **copy of the funds transfer receipt for the \$100 entry fee** (refer below), and a **copy of your Insurance Policy confirming \$10M third party liability cover** and must reach the organizing authority by **28 December 2020**.

Entry fee banking details:

Funds Transfer: BSB: 082-864 Acct:62 237 2933- Skate Sailing Association of NSW.