



14ft Skate



63rd National Championship

29 December 2019 – 6 January 2020

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**Hosted by
Ceduna Sailing Club**

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Ceduna Sailing Club Welcome

On behalf of the members of Ceduna Sailing Club, I am pleased to welcome competitors, families and friends to the 63rd Skate National Championship.

The Ceduna Sailing Club is very proud to be given the opportunity to host the Skates for another national titles, this is the sixth time hosting since the initial series hosted in 1982/1983.

We wish to thank the Ceduna Foreshore Hotel/Motel who have generously agreed to be the major sponsor for this event and we look forward to supporting the Hotel.

Murat Bay provides excellent sailing conditions that are fair to all and will be extremely enjoyable.

We hope that you will enjoy your stay and our Club's hospitality. We are very excited to showcase our renovated clubhouse which has undergone a significant transformation over the past sixth months.

I wish all competitors good luck, good sailing and most importantly, an enjoyable regatta.

Brad Bowman

Ceduna Sailing Club

REGATTA OFFICIALS

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Organising Authority

Ceduna Sailing Club in conjunction with the Skate Sailing Association of Australia (SSAA) is the Organising Authority.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by:
- the 2017 – 2020 Racing Rules of Sailing and the Prescriptions of Australian Sailing;
 - Part 2 of the Australian Sailing Special Regulations;
 - the Class Rules of the Skate Sailing Association of Australia; and
 - these Sailing Instructions.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official Regatta notice board located upstairs in the clubhouse.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted no later than 1100 hours on the racing day it will affect, except that any change to the schedule of races shall be posted by 1800 hours on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore shall be made on the flag mast located on the south-western side of the Clubhouse.
- 4.2 When Flag AP (red with white bands) is displayed ashore "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in the Race Signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 The regatta schedule is shown in Attachment 1.
- 5.2 No Warning Signal shall be made after 1530 hours on 6 January 2020.

6 CLASS FLAG

- 6.1 The Skate Class flag will be a green Skate emblem on a contrasting background.

7 RACING AREA

- 7.1 The racing area will be the waters off Ceduna Sailing Club as depicted in Attachment 2.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 Attachment 3 shows the approximate course layouts, the order in which the marks are to be passed and the side on which the marks are to be left.
- 8.2 The Course hand to be sailed shall be signified by the display of a red or green flag on the Committee Vessel (CV). This shall all be displayed at or before the Warning Signal

9 MARKS

- 9.1 Marks 1, 2 and 3 will be yellow inflatable cylinders.
- 9.2 The Start and Finish Marks will be a danbuoy with a blue flag.
- 9.3 A new mark, as provided in Instruction 12.1, will be a plain red cylinder.
- 9.4 A Race Committee boat signalling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in Instruction 12.2.

10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

- 10.1 While racing, the area between any registered moorings and the adjacent shoreline shall be considered PROHIBITED WATER, and therefore an obstruction.

11 THE START

- 11.1 The start line will be between the flagstaff displaying a blue flag on the Committee Vessel at the starboard end of the line and the Start Mark at the port end.
- 11.2 A boat starting later than ten minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 12.2 Boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port (or starboard for Starboard hand courses) and the race committee boat to starboard (or port for Starboard hand courses). This changes RRS 33.

13 THE FINISH

- 13.1 The finish line will be between the flagstaff displaying an orange flag on the Committee Vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the Finish Mark at the port end.

14 TIME LIMITS & TARGET TIMES

- 14.1 The time limit for the first boat to finish will be 100 minutes.
- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes, will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing, and will be scored two points more than the number of finishers in that race. This points allocation will be made irrespective of the boat crossing the finish line, but will not apply to boats which have retired. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

15 ARBITRATION

- 15.1 An arbitration hearing may be conducted for all protests lodged in accordance with RRS 61 and Instruction 16, which allege breach of a rule of Part 2 or Part 5 or RRS 31. Such hearings will be held subsequent to the protest being lodged and prior to the protest hearing.

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- 15.2 The arbitrator will decide the time and place of the arbitration hearing and such advice may be given verbally. One representative of each boat shall attend the arbitration hearing. The arbitrator shall decide the manner in which testimony is given.
- 15.3 After taking testimony at the arbitration hearing the arbitrator shall make one of the following conclusions:
- The protest does not comply with Rule 61 and the protestor may withdraw the protest.
 - The matter shall proceed to a protest hearing. This may be because rules other than Part 2 or Rule 31 are involved or may be involved, or because the evidence is too complex or divergent to reach a reasonable and timely conclusion, or due to the apparent severity of the alleged infringement, or for any other reason as decided by the arbitrator.
 - No rule was broken and the protestor may withdraw the protest.
 - A rule was broken by one or more of the boats involved, the infringing boat(s) may accept scoring points equal to a finishing place mid-way between the boat's actual finish and a disqualification, and if so accepted the protestor shall withdraw the protest. Half points shall be disregarded and the points of other boats shall not be adjusted. If not accepted the protest shall proceed to a hearing of the Jury. This changes RRS 63.1.
- 15.4 An arbitration hearing shall not be re-opened. No conclusion of an arbitrator shall be subject to appeal or be grounds for redress.
- 15.5 Should the protest proceed to a protest hearing then the arbitrator may be a member of the Protest Committee. Any evidence given by an arbitrator during a protest hearing shall be given only in the presence of the parties to the hearing.

16 PROTESTS

- 16.1 RRS 60.2 is amended in that the Race Officer or their nominated representative shall represent the Race Committee.
- 16.2 Protest forms will be available at the race office. Protests are to be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 16.3 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee and protest committee about incidents they observe in the racing area, and to requests for redress. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.
- 16.4 Notices shall be posted within 15 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses, the order of hearings and the time of the first hearing.
- 16.5 Notices of protest by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1 (b).
- 16.6 Breaches of Instructions 12.2, 19, 23 and 25 shall not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1.
- 16.7 The Protest Committee may make any determination in respect of penalties for a breach of a rule other than in Part 2.

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- 16.8 On the last day of the Championship a request for reopening of a hearing shall be delivered: within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day; or no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting the reopening was informed of the decision on that day. This changes Rule 66.

17 SCORING

- 17.1 Seven races are scheduled for the Championship and five races shall be completed to constitute the Championship.
- 17.2 When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores.
- 17.3 When six or seven races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 17.4 A Handicap Series will be conducted concurrently with the Championship (scratch) series. The Skate handicap committee reserves the right to change a boat's handicap at any time and without notice.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 Before leaving the beach each skipper shall sign-on. The sign on/off desk will be located outside the CSC sailing office. Boats failing to sign on before leaving shore will be scored DNS without a hearing for the first race for which they should have signed on.
- 18.2 Each skipper shall sign off within the protest time limit and all are encouraged to sign off promptly. Boats failing to sign off before the end of protest time will be scored DNF for the last race for which they should have signed off.
- 18.3 A boat that retires shall notify the Race Committee as soon as practicable and sign off.

19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 19.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.
- 19.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made, in writing, to the Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 19.3 When equipment is substituted during a series of races on the same day, the substitution request shall be made before the protest time limit expires on that day.

20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 20.1 Each boat and all equipment shall have been measured by an approved Skate class Measurer prior to being used in a heat of this Championship. The Race Committee reserves the right to inspect any boat or equipment at any time for compliance with the class rules.

21 SUPPORT BOATS

- 21.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay a minimum of 50m outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the Preparatory Signal for the first start until all boats have finished or retired or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. This will apply at all times except when a Support Boat is asked to assist by the Race Committee.

22 RUBBISH

- 22.1 No rubbish is to be dumped into the water. All rubbish is to be handed to official boats or taken ashore.

23 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 23.1 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.

24 PRIZES

- 24.1 Prizes will be awarded as per the list in of the Notice of Race.

25 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 25.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.
- 25.2 CSC and the SSAA are not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.
- 25.3 CSC and the SSAA reserve the right to refuse an entry.

26 INSURANCE

- 26.1 All competing boats shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with minimum cover of AUS\$10,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

Attachments:

1. Regatta Event Schedule
2. Racing Area
3. Courses
4. Past Skate National Champions

Attachment 1 – Regatta Event Schedule

Date	Time	Event
Sunday 29 December 2019	1000 to 1200 hours	Entry registration
	1200 hours	Measure/Weigh
	1400 hours	Heat 1 warning signal
	Later	Social/Welcome night
Monday 30 December 2019	*1200 hours	Heat 2 warning signal
	Later	Social
Tuesday 31 December 2019	*1200 hours	Heat 3 warning signal
	Later	Social
Wednesday 01 January 2020		Lay Day
	To be advised	Barefoot bowls
Thursday 02 January 2020	*1200 hours	Heat 4 warning signal
	Later	Social
Friday 03 January 2020	To be advised	SSAA AGM
	*1200 hours	Heat 5 warning signal
	Later	Social
Saturday 04 January 2020	To be advised	Lay Day
Sunday 05 January 2020	*1200 hours	Heat 6 warning signal
	Later	Social
Monday 06 January 2020	*1200 hours	Heat 7 warning signal
	Later	Presentation Night

NOTE: * Subject to conditions on the day

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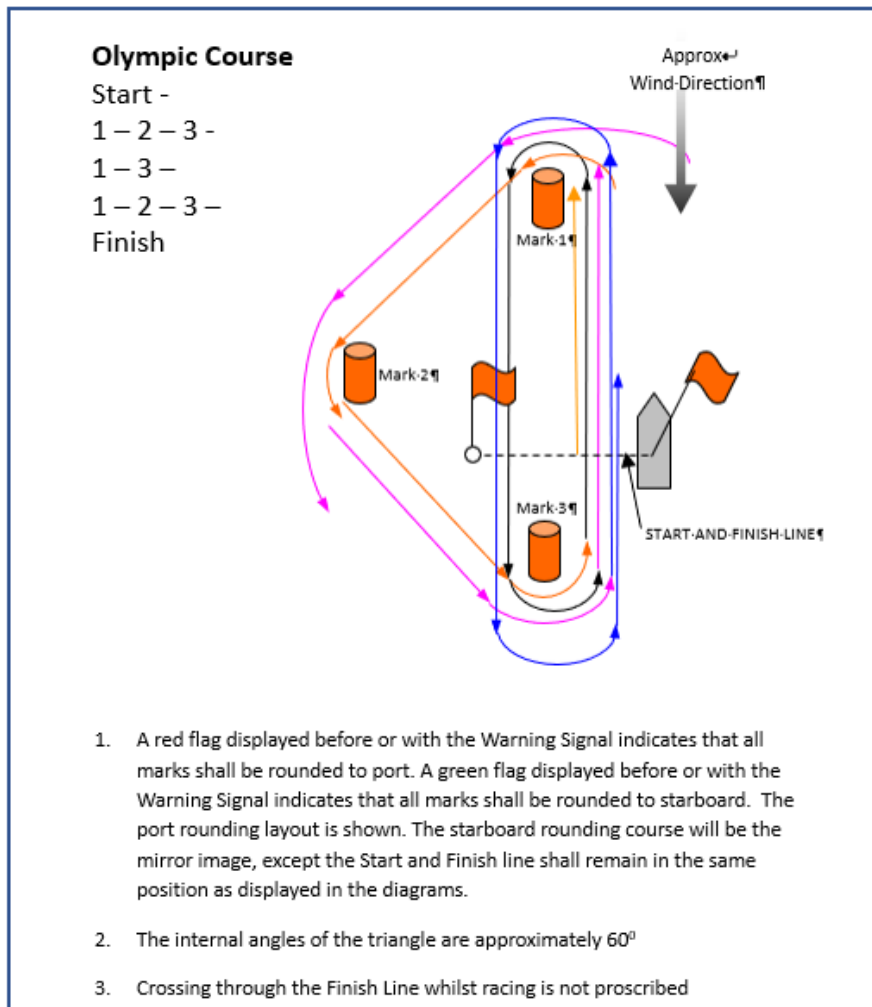
Attachment 2 - Racing Area

Races will be held on Murat Bay adjacent to Ceduna Sailing Club as depicted below.



Attachment 3 - Courses

Courses will either be Olympic Triangle or Windward/Leeward as illustrated below.



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Windward/Leeward Course

Course 1:
Start -
1 – 2S/2P –
1 – 2S/2P –
Finish

Course 2:
Start –
1 – 2S/2P –
1 – 2S/2P –
1 – 2S/2P –
Finish

1. Mark 1 to Port

2. Where practicable the approximate course length (D1) will be:

Wind Range	Course Length (D1)
2 to 5 knots	1400 metres
6-10 knots	1600 metres
> 10 knots	1750 metres

3. Length D2 will be not more than 50% of D1

4. Crossing through the Finish Line whilst racing is not proscribed.

Attachment 4 - Past Skate National Champions

Series	Boat Name	State	Skipper	Crew	Venue
1	Classic	NSW	R.Young	J.Barter	St George
2	Classic	NSW	R.Young	J.Barter	St George
3	Venom	WA	L.Chivers	K.Court	Nedlands
4	Venom	WA	L.Chivers	K.Court	St George
5	O Lay	NSW	J.Gettens	K.Cole	Nedlands
6	O Lay	NSW	J.Gettens	K.Cole	Yarra Bay
7	Venom	WA	L.Chivers	K.Court	Nedlands
8	Valour	NSW	N.Head	K.Court	St George
9	Valour	NSW	N.Head	T.Bailey	Nedlands
10	Echo	NSW	W.Wood	B.Graves	Chelsea
11	Fury	NSW	D.Jeffkins	D.McEnearney	Speers Point
12	Bitsa	NSW	B.Piefke	F.McBeath	Nedlands
13	Peta	NSW	R.Lowndes	L.Donovan	Chelsea
14	Jo Blo	NSW	D.Jeffkins	P.Jeffkins	Yarra Bay
15	Jo Blo	NSW	D.Jeffkins	P.Jeffkins	Nedlands
16	Henny Penny	NSW	P.Reilly	D.McEnearney	Gosford
17	Vengeance	VIC	J.Manfield	P.Bainbridge	Chelsea
18	Traction	NSW	R.Simpson	W.Gosper	Bunbury
19	La Tache	VIC	J.Manfield	P.Bainbridge	Speers Point
20	Ratcatcher	VIC	K.Clarke	B.Clarke	Chelsea
21	Traction	NSW	R.Simpson	T.Green	South of Perth YC
22	Get It Up	WA	G.Caporn	W.Whettters	Yarra Bay
23	Vickell	NSW	N.Ryan	J.Brooks	St Leonards
24	Lido	NSW	R.Longbottom	C.Menzies	Fremantle
25	Lido	NSW	R.Longbottom	C.Menzies	Teralba
26	Attraction	NSW	P.Winney	B.Hollis	Ceduna
27	Rawhideous	NSW	S.Leonard	B.Hollis	Albany
28	Hawkwind	NSW	R.Nattrass	D.Reid	Belmont
29	Guess Wot	NSW	G.Hughes	M.Patterson	Ceduna
30	Aussie One	NSW	A.Searl	N.Simpson	South of Perth YC
31	Motivation	NSW	P.Winney	D.Reid	St George
32	Wot Next	NSW	G.Hughes	M.Patterson	Brighton
33	The Red Boat	NSW	D.Jacobson	S.Shaw	East Fremantle
34	Wot Next	NSW	G.Patterson	J.Gilham	Teralba
35	Fornacape	WA	G.Caporn	M.Forbes	Brighton
36	Fornacape	WA	G.Caporn	M.Forbes	Geraldton
37	The Red Boat	NSW	D.Jacobson	G.Sheldon	St George
38	Fornacape	WA	G.Caporn	M.Forbes	Ceduna
39	Dipsomania	WA	M.Dunbar	P.Dunbar	South of Perth YC
40	Any Which Way	NSW	D.Luck	A.Sinton	Teralba
41	Boneyard	NSW	J.Howard	P.Howard	Ceduna

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Series	Boat Name	State	Skipper	Crew	Venue
42	Atomic Rat	WA	D.O'Byrne	G.Swan	Bunbury
43	Any Which Way	NSW	D. Luck	G. Crichton	St George
44	Cho Kon It	WA	G.Caporn	M Forbes	Brighton
45	Tasty Fish	WA	B. Fannon	T. Fico	East Fremantle
46	Take It Easy	NSW	M. Winney	C. Dunn	Belmont
47	Any Which Way	NSW	D Luck	G Crichton	Kangaroo Island
48	Pilbara Constructions	WA	G.Caporn	M Forbes	Busselton
49	Any Which Way	NSW	D Luck	G Crichton	Hervey Bay
50	Any Which Way	NSW	D Luck	G Crichton	Kangaroo Island
51	Pilbara Meta Maya	WA	G.Caporn	M Forbes	South of Perth YC
52	Any Which Way	NSW	D Luck	G Crichton	Toronto
53	Any Which Way	NSW	D Luck	G Crichton	Port Dalrymple
54	Drive It In Dry	WA	Gavin Caporn	J Elliot	East Fremantle
55	Any Which Way	NSW	D Luck	G Crichton	St George
56	Custom Constructions	WA	Gavin Caporn	J Elliot	South of Perth YC
57	Any Which Way	NSW	D Luck	A Sinton	Port Dalrymple
58	Tasty Fish	WA	B Fannon	C Fannon	Rockingham
59	Any Which Way	NSW	D Luck	D Vlotman	Toronto
60	Tasty Fish	WA	B Fannon	C Fannon	Ceduna
61	Gobstopper	WA	S Fico	M Minutello	Busselton
62	On The Road Again	WA	S Hudson	B De Freitas	Toronto