



# 2021 New Zealand O'pen Skiff National Championships

25<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> February 2021

The Organising Authority is the  
*Evans Bay Yacht and Motor Boat Club (EBYMB)*  
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## NOTICE OF RACE

NB: The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the Sailing Instructions means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*. This includes the [Class Rules of the OBCA](#).
- 1.2 Yachting New Zealand Prescriptions 2021-2024 shall apply.
- 1.3 The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part 1 shall apply. In addition all competitors shall wear safety helmets whilst on the water.
- 1.4 The "O'pen Skiff Class on the Water Umpiring Rules" (as approved by World Sailing), allowing umpiring on the water for races may apply. The Sailing Instructions will state if they apply.
- 1.5 If the Race Committee believe that the average wind speed is clearly over 8 knots across the course, they may signal in accordance with RRS Appendix P5 that pumping, rocking and ooching are permitted except on a windward leg. This changes rules RRS 42.2(a), RRS 42.2(b), RRS 42.2(c).
- 1.6 The 4.5 sqm sail will be used in the Gold and Silver Fleets.
- 1.7 Competitors in both fleets that are obviously struggling may receive coaching assistance from the official coach boat(s) and any such communication shall not be considered outside help. This changes rule 41.
- 1.8 Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply.

## **2 ADVERTISING**

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- 2.1** Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.  
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## **3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

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- 3.1** The regatta is open to all boats of the O'pen Skiff class.
- 3.2** Each competitor shall be:
- (a) a financial member of a club recognised by the competitor's National authority;
  - (b) a member of the New Zealand O'pen Skiff Association.
- 3.3** The divisions are as follows:
- Gold Fleet
  - Silver Fleet
  - Development Fleet
- 3.4** Eligible competitors may enter online [HERE](#). Credit/Debit Card payment is required.
- 3.4** The closing date for entries is 1700hrs on Friday 19 February 2021. Late entries may be accepted by the Organising Authority up to 12noon on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2021.
- 3.5** Charter boats may be available via the NZOBA. To register your interest in a Charter boat please email the via NZOBA [here](#).
- 3.6** Non-charter boats must use their designated O'pen Skiff Sail Number at the time of online registration.

## **4 FEES**

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- 4.1** The entry fees are as follows, and must be paid online at the time of Entry:
- a) Gold and Silver Fleet: \$140.00 per boat
  - b) Subsequent siblings: \$110.00 per boat
  - c) Development Fleet: \$100.00 per boat
- The late entry fee is an additional \$50.00 per boat.
- 4.2** The Charter fee shall be \$150.00 per boat.
- 4.3** Competitors are also liable for any online transaction fees imposed by the Class Association.

## **5 SCHEDULE**

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- 5.1** On-Site Registration & Charter Boat Allocation and Collection Thursday 25 and Friday 26 February 2021.

## 5.2 Schedule & Dates of racing:

| Date                 | Time              | Event  |
|----------------------|-------------------|--|
| Thurs 25 February    | 0900 – 1200       | Charter Boat Allocation  |
|                      | 1200 - 1500       | Registration & Equipment Inspection                            |
|                      | 1530 – 1830       | Optional Coaching Clinic                                       |
| Friday 26 February   | 0800 - 1000       | Charter Boat Allocation<br>Registration & Equipment Inspection |
|                      | 1000              | Welcome & Briefing   |
|                      | 1125              | First Warning Signal – 4 races scheduled                       |
| Saturday 27 February | 0930              | Daily Briefing   |
|                      | 1055              | First Warning Signal – 3 races scheduled                       |
|                      | TBC               | Joint Fleet Fun Racing Event                                   |
| Sunday 28 February   | 0900              | Daily Briefing   |
|                      | 1025              | First Warning Signal – 3 races scheduled                       |
|                      | ASAP after racing | Prize Giving   |

**5.3** The programme of events for the Development Division will be advised each day at the morning briefing. Please refer to Attachment 3.

**5.4** On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1500hours

## 6 MEASUREMENT

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A boat shall comply with RRS 78.1 at all times while racing.

## 7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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The sailing instructions will be available on the EBYMBC website after 1200hrs on Monday 22 February. Printed copies will NOT be available

## 8 VENUE

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**8.1** Attachment 1 shows the location of the regatta venue.

**8.2** Attachment 2 shows the location of the racing areas.

## 9 THE COURSES

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The courses to be sailed will be as follows:

**9.1** For the Gold and Silver Fleets a variety of courses will be used including Windward/Leeward, Triangular, Reaching, or special courses.

**9.2** For the Development Fleet, the daily briefing will detail the types of events scheduled.

**9.3** Special Courses will be used for Joint Fleet Events.



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## **10 PENALTY SYSTEM**

**10.1** RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

**10.2** Umpires may impose one or more penalties for an incident as described in Addendum Q.

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## **11 SCORING**

**11.1** Five (5) races are required to be completed to constitute a series for the Gold and Silver Fleets.

**11.2**

- a) When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- b) When six (6) to eight (8) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- c) When nine (9) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

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## **12 SUPPORT BOATS**

Support boats shall be deemed to be "Event Support Boats" and shall have an operative VHF radio and follow all instructions of the Race Officer. In addition, all support boats will comply with local safety regulations and bylaws.

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## **13 PRIZES**

**13.1** Prizes will be given as follows:

**Sportsmanship Award:**

Awarded in recognition of qualities such as Sportsmanship, Perseverance, Assistance to Others, Positive Attitude.

**Gold Fleet:**                      1<sup>st</sup> Place:        NZ O'pen Skiff National Champion  
    1<sup>st</sup> Female:     NZ O'pen Skiff Female National Champion

Medals and Trophies will also be awarded to the following divisions;

|                            |  |
|----------------------------|--|
| <b>Gold Fleet</b>          | 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup><br>1 <sup>st</sup> U17 Overall and 1 <sup>st</sup> U13 Overall |
| <b>Silver Fleet:</b>       | 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup>                            |
| <b>Development Fleet:</b>  | 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup>          |
| <b>Female competitors:</b> | 1 <sup>st</sup> U17 Overall and 1 <sup>st</sup> U13 Overall  |

**13.2** Participation Medals will be awarded to all sailors

**13.3** Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

## 14 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of NZ\$1,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

## 15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, 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.

## 16 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact:

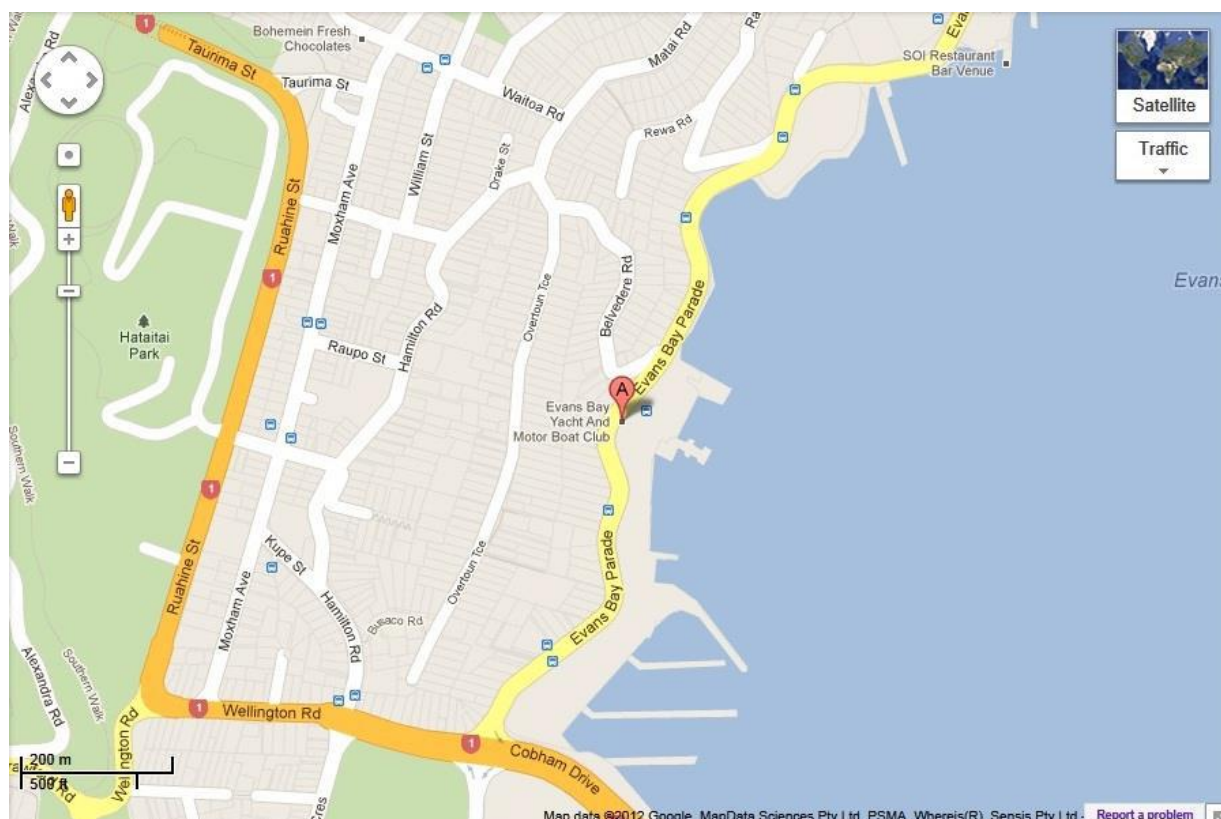
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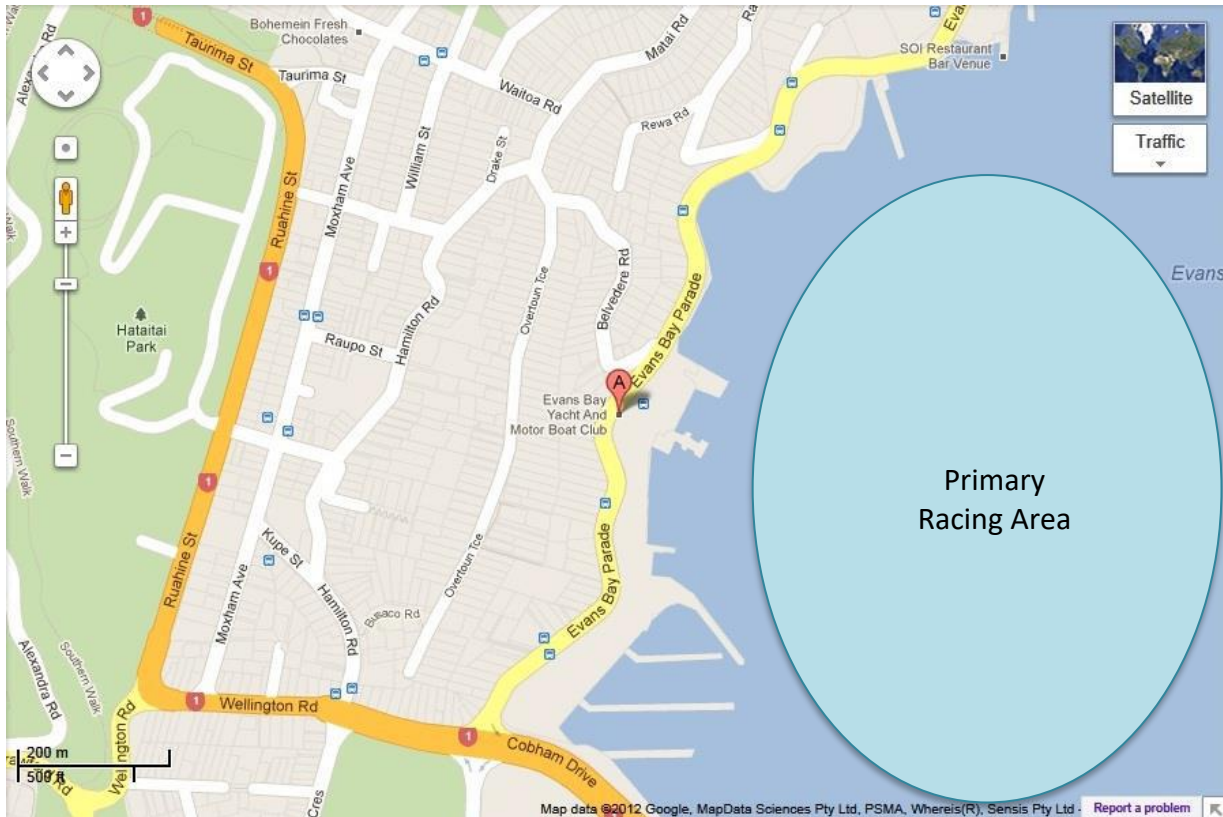
### Attachment 1 Regatta Venue:





## Attachment 2

## Racing Area



## Attachment 3

## Development Fleet:

### DEVELOPMENT FLEET GUIDELINES

For the Development Division, the emphasis is on fun and to offer younger and less experienced sailors the opportunity to sail and participate at O'pen Skiff events without feeling the need or burden to sail in the more competitive Fleets.

- Sailing will be a mixture of adventure sailing, racing, freestyle and any other form of sailing that the organisers deem fit.
- Sailors will benefit from a high level of coaching throughout the event.
- Sailors entering the Development Division should be of a beginning level of sailing
- Development Division racing is intended to be run dependent on weather forecasts and prevailing winds. Should the conditions be such that racing is an option, this will be conducted on a separate course.
- The Development Division will consist of a variety of activities, led by appropriately qualified activity leader/coach. These activities may include shore and on-water based skills, coaching and on-water games.