

# The Toyota Starling National Championship 2022

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April to Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Napier, Hawkes Bay

The Organising Authority is Napier Sailing Club

# 1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part 1 shall apply.

1.3 Racing Rule 61.1(a) is changed to state that "A competitor intending to protest is required to inform the race committee at the finish line of their intention to protest immediately after finishing" The change will appear in the Sailing Instructions.

- 1.4 Appendix T, Arbitration will apply.
- 1.5 Appendix P shall apply as amended in the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.6 The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.

# **2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

2.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available no later than Wednesday 30th March 2022 on the Official Notice Board at the Napier Sailing Club, online at www.napiersailingclub.org.nz and on the Event "Teams App"

No paper copies will be provided.

#### **3 COMMUNICATION**

3.1 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

## **4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

4.1 The running and organisation of this event will be subject to the Coronavirus requirements at the time.

4.2 In accordance with the Governments traffic light system there will be a requirement for all sailors, officials, supporters and volunteers over 12 years of age to be double vaccinated when attending this regatta.

4.3 The event is open to all boats of the Starling Class that comply with the Starling Class constitution and class rules.

4.4 Entries will be accepted until the normal closing date of Tuesday 5th April at 2100.

4.5 Entries should be made using the entry form on the website <u>https://www.napiersailingclub.org.nz/starling-registration</u>

4.6 Late entries, will not be Accepted

4.7 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

4.8 To be eligible to compete in this event each competitor shall be a financial member of a club recognised by the competitor's national authority.

4.9 Each competitor shall be a current financial member of the Starling Class Association (SCA).

4.10 The Development Fleet is to encourage less experienced and less confident Starling sailors to sail and participate at major Starling regattas. To be eligible to race in Development Fleet a competitor shall not have previously raced in Open Fleet except where no Development Fleet is offered.

# **5 FEES**

#### Entry fees are as follows:

Starling Open Fleet	\$200
Starling Development Fleet	\$130
Each Additional Sibling from the same family	\$20 Discount for each additional sailor
Late Entry Fee (In addition to normal entry fee)	NA

#### **6 ADVERTISING**

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

6.2 The organizing authority may provide bibs that competitors are required to wear as permitted by the World Sailing Advertising Code.

# **7 QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES**

# 7.1 Open Fleet

The event may consist of a qualifying series and a final series. If entries exceed 70 boats in the Open Fleet, the fleet may be split into 2 as near equal divisions as possible and the regatta will consist of a

qualifying series and a final series. For the final series, the Open Fleet may be split into Gold and Silver fleet. More details will be set out in the Sailing Instructions.

## 7.2 Development Fleet

The regatta will be run as a single series and will be one fleet and there will be no qualifying series or final series.

# 8 SCHEDULE

Event	Day	Time
Safety Inspection Equipment Inspection and Registration	Thursday	1500-1900
	Friday	1000-1400
		1600-1800
		1900-2000
Regatta Welcome and Opening	Friday	1800
Ceremony		

## **Starling Open Fleet**

Event	Day	Time	Note	
Sailor Briefing	Saturday	0930		
Support Boat Briefing	Saturday	Followin	Following Sailors Briefing	
Racing	Saturday	1100	3 races	
	Sunday	1030	3 races	
	Monday	1030	3 races	
	Tuesday	1030	3 races	

# **Starling Development Fleet**

Event	Day	Time	Note
Sailor Briefing	Saturday	1000	
Support Boat Briefing	Saturday	1030	
Racing	Saturday	1130	3 races
	Sunday	1130	Up to 3 races and/or
	_		The Adventure Sail
	Monday	1130	Up to 3 races and/or
			The Adventure Sail
	Tuesday	1130	2 races

On the last day of the regatta, no warning signal will be made after 1500.

# **9 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

9.1 Each boat shall be registered on the Starling Class Association measurement list.

9.2 Each boat shall be presented to the regatta measurer for measurement and inspection.

9.3 Each boat shall comply with Yachting NZ safety regulations Part 1. In particular this includes a rudder/tiller lock, a towing eye or fairlead, a centreboard lanyard, a suitable bailer tied on, the sail number of the hull in figures 50 mm high.

9.4 Wet clothing, measurement and equipment checks may be made throughout the Regatta at the discretion of the Technical Committee.

- 9.5 Boats may be inspected at any time.
- 9.6 [DP] Boats shall also comply with RRS 78.1when presented for inspection.

#### **10 VENUE**

- 10.1 NoR Addendum A shows the plan of the event venue.
- 10.2 NoR Addendum B shows the location of the racing areas.

#### **11 COURSES**

The courses to be sailed will be Trapezoid or Windward/Leeward

#### **12 SCORING**

12.1 Five races are required to constitute a series.

#### 12.2 Open Fleet

(a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When from 5 to 10 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

(c) When 11 or more races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

#### 12.3 Development Fleet

(a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

#### **13 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS**

13.1 [DP] Support boats shall register with the organising authority prior to the first warning signal.

13.2 [DP] All support person vessels shall always have an engine safety cut out switch (kill cord) attached to the driver while the engine is running, unless prior written exemption has been provided by the Organising Authority.

## **14 LAUNCHING**

[DP] All Starlings shall be launched from Napier Sailing Club. All beach trolleys shall be clearly marked with the sail number of the boat.

## **15 RISK STATEMENT**

15.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

#### **16 INSURANCE**

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

## **17 PRIZES**

17.1 Prizes will be given as follows:

## Open Fleet Under 19 unless stipulated otherwise.

**John Peet Trophy** shall be awarded to the highest placed competitor in the overall open fleet results and they shall be awarded the title Starling National Champion.

Kohi Cup shall be awarded to the second highest placed competitor in the Open Fleet.

Murrays Bay Cup shall be awarded to the third highest placed competitor in the Open Fleet.

Alan Sayer Trophy shall be awarded to the highest placed female competitor in the Open Fleet.

**John Binsley Trophy** shall be awarded to the second highest placed female competitor in the Open Fleet.

**Chris Timms Trophy** shall be awarded to the highest placed under 16 year old in the overall Open Fleet.

**The Harken Trophy** shall be awarded to the youngest skipper in the first 10 places overall in the Open Fleet.

**The Cooke Trophy** shall be awarded to the leading competitor at the end of the qualifying series. If there is no qualifying series this trophy shall be awarded to the boat leading the series after the middle race of the series, or if there are two middle races then after the later of these two races.

**The Howick Cup** shall be awarded to the winner of the Silver division of the Open Fleet. If there is no qualifying and finals series, this trophy shall be awarded to the boat finishing nearest to the middle of the fleet. If two boats are the middle boats it shall be awarded to the lower of these boats.

**The Queen Charlotte Trophy** shall be awarded to the most improved skipper in the Open Fleet throughout the championship.

**The Graeme Leonard Hays Shield** shall be awarded to any skipper, who in the opinion of the host club, showed exceptional courage and effort during the event.

#### Open Fleet Over 19

**The Des Townson Trophy** shall be awarded to the highest placed competitor over 19 in the Open Fleet.

# **Development Fleet**

**The Development Fleet Trophy** shall be awarded to the highest placed competitor under 19 in the Development Fleet.

## The age date for prizes is the 19th April, 2022

## 18 PHOTOGRAPHY CONSENT

By entering the Championships competitors accept that they may be photographed and/or videotaped participating in the race and/or using the Championship facilities and they consent to the taking of such images and to the use, reuse, publication and republication of such images in any media, in conjunction with the competitor's name or not, without compensation and without the competitor's approval of such images or any use thereof. Such photography may be from a drone.

## 19 Event Cancellation

In the event of cancellation due to any causes outside of the Organising Authority's control, all efforts will be made to reimburse Entry fees.

#### 20 Sustainability

The **Toyota Starling National Championship 2022** is a Clean Regatta registered with Sailors for the Sea.org and we appreciate your support in helping us achieve Clean Regatta status.

Single-Use Plastic Free - please bring your own reusables: water bottle, coffee cup and lunch box/bag for yourself and your support team members

Choose electronic viewing over printing out NOR or Sailing instructions

Aim to leave the Marine Environment and Shoreline better than you found it.

Try to minimise your environmental impact when travelling to the event. Consider carpooling or a community minibus loan for club members and consider offsetting carbon emissions generated at https://www.toitu.co.nz/calculators

Please see our Sustainability Policy on the club's website for further Detail; https://www.napiersailingclub.org.nz/s/NSC-Policies-2022.pdf

#### FURTHER INFORMATION

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