

MELGES 24, 2023 NSW Championships

Photos: Beau Outteridge.



M²⁴ 11th & 12th NOVEMBER 2023

LAKE MACQUARIE YACHT CLUB

NOTICE OF RACE

The organizing authority (OA) will be:
Lake Macquarie Yacht Club (LMYC), located at Ada Street Belmont NSW

1 RULES

- 1.1 The series shall be governed by the 2021-2024 World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The current class rules of the International Melges 24 Class Association (IM24CA) shall apply.
- 1.3 RRS 44.1 Penalty System is changed so that the Two Turns Penalty is replaced by the One Turn Penalty. This changes RRS 44.1.
- 1.4 IM24CA Rule C.11 Boat handling Rules will be enforced.
- 1.5 No crew weigh in for this event.
- 1.6 All competing boats shall carry a functional hand held or cockpit mounted VHF radio (Channel 71) for both safety purposes and Race Committee communication.
- 1.7 The Race Committee shall consist of the PRO, a member of LMYC Sailing Committee and a nominee from the class association.
- 1.8 IM24CA Rule H.3 Bow Numbers will apply.
- 1.9 Appendix T: (Arbitration) will apply.

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 The regatta is classified as Category C events in accordance with WS Advertising Code
- 2.2 Each yacht may be required to display event advertising. The event advertising will be provided by the Organizing Authority.

3 ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 All yachts complying with the current class rules of the IM24CA.
- 3.2 Helmspersons shall comply with World Sailing (WS) Eligibility code (WS Regulation 19) which requires that all competing helmspersons shall be members of their Member National Authority (M24 Australian Class Associations & IM24CA).
- 3.3 Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate prior to racing.
- 3.4 All sails used or carried aboard shall bear the class royalty badge.
- 3.5 All boats must have a current Cat 7 safety certificate or above.
- 3.6 All boats must have a minimum of \$10 million in third party insurance.

4 ENTRY

- 4.1 Eligible boats must enter via the online entry system available at: www.lmyc.com.au/site/online-race-entries no later than Friday the 3rd November 2023.
- 4.2 All entries must be accompanied by a copy of the boats current 2022-23 Special Regulations Category 7 Certificate and Insurance Policy Certificate (if not already registered at the club). Certificates can be emailed to racing@lmyc.com.au or
- 4.3 Entry Fee (incl GST), payable at the time of entry for the NSW Championships is - \$270

5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, 10 th November	Registration		From 3pm to 5pm
Saturday, 11 th November	Registration		From 9am to 9.45am
	Briefing		From 10.15am
11 th /12 th November	Up to seven (7) races		First Warning 1155
12th November			First Warning 1155

Note: Additional races may be sailed on any race day at the discretion of the PRO.

6 COURSES AND COURSE AREA

6.1 Courses will be windward /leeward courses as defined in the Sailing Instructions

7.1 Courses will be sailed on Lake Macquarie

7 SCORING

7.1 RRS Appendix A4 Low Point System will apply

7.2 A minimum of 3 races shall be completed to constitute a series. If 5 or more races are completed a yacht shall discard her worst score.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND FURTHER INFORMATION

8.1 Sailing Instructions will be available on the LMYC website
(<https://lmyc.com.au/sailing-instructions/>) by 10am Wednesday 8th November 2023
or at registration.

8.2 Further information can be obtained from

M24 Kevin Nixon
LMYC Ross Ahrens

balanka@bigpond.net.au
racing@lmyc.com.au

9 LAUNCHING

It would be of assistance if all boats could be in the water as early as possible on Saturday the 11th November (prior to 0945). This regatta is a “wet” series and boats shall only be removed from the water in exceptional circumstances to effect repairs once approved by the race committee. Boats may not be removed from the water on Sunday afternoon until given clearance by the Race Committee.

Boat trailers should not be left in the LMYC car park but may be left in the gravel area adjacent to the car park.

10 DISCLAIMER

Each competitor participates in the Melges 24 NSW Championship series entirely at their own risk. LMYC will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to or after the Regatta. Specific attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 3, which states: *“The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone”*

11 BOAT STORAGE

Boats may be left at LMYC for one week either side of the regattas without cost.

12 MEDIA & IMAGE RIGHTS WAIVER

Competitors give absolute right and permission for video footage or photographs of themselves or their boat to be published in any media for press, editorial or advertising purposes.

Issued under the authority of

Steven Ford (Rear Commodore LMYC)

Kevin Nixon (Melges 24 Association)

31st August 2023