



LAKE MACQUARIE
YACHT CLUB



NOTICE OF RACE

2027 Ted Albert Memorial Regatta /
2027 Prince Philip Cup Regatta /
2026 NSW State Championships

10th – 19th February 2027



The Organising Authority (OA) is the Lake Macquarie Yacht Club (LMYC)

in conjunction with the

International Dragon Association New South Wales (IDANSW)

Under the authority of Australian Sailing

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Hosted by

LMYC 9 Ada Street Belmont NSW 2280



The notation [DP] in a rule in the NOR and SI's means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. This changes RRS 60.5(c).

The notation [NP] denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for protest by boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a)

The notation [SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty will be applied by the race committee without a hearing as allowed by RRS 60.5b (3).

1. RULES

- 1.1 Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2025-2028 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) Part 1 for Category 7 shall apply [DP]
- 1.3 The current International Dragon Class Rules (IDCR) [DP]
- 1.4 In the event of conflict between any of the rules or regulations, other than RRS, the sailing instructions will prevail. This changes RRS 63.5(c).
- 1.5 RRS Appendix T Arbitration will apply.
- 1.6 A National Jury will be appointed in accordance with the Australian Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 70.5(b). Its decisions will be final as provided in RRS 70.

2. ADVERTISING [DP]

- 2.1 Advertising shall only be displayed in accordance with World Sailing Advertising Code.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The event is open to all International Dragon Class boats holding a valid measurement certificate.
- 3.2 All boats shall have a valid AS Special Regulations Category 7 Equipment Audit Form and current 3rd Party Insurance cover to a minimum of \$10 million and Racing coverage.
- 3.3 All competitors shall be financial members of their State or National Dragon Association and shall conform to RRS 46 and RRS 75.
- 3.4 Entries, payment of the applicable fees and lodging entry documentation shall be made online at <https://www.lmyc.com.au/regattas-2027ida/>
- 3.5 Entries close at 1500 hours on Friday 29 January 2027.
- 3.6 Entries submitted after 1500 hours on Friday 29 January 2027 will be late entries and may be accepted at the discretion of the OA and may incur a 30% late penalty fee.

4. FEES

- 4.1 The entry fee is \$895 per boat for three-person crew and \$995 for four-person crew. Entry fees for inter-state competitors will be subject to a discount of \$600 per boat.
- 4.2 The entry fee includes all sailing and scheduled social activities in accordance with clause 6. Schedule.
- 4.3 Additional tickets for social activities only may be purchased as a part of the boat registration process at an additional cost.
- 4.4 The entry fee includes berthing and trailer storage for 3 days either side of the regatta, championship racing, awards and prizes. Extended storage outside the above period can be negotiated with the Marina Manager at LMYC.

5. REGISTRATION, MEASUREMENT AND WEIGH-IN [DP]

- 5.1 All boats shall register for the entire regatta inclusive of the 2026 NSW State Championships, the 2027 Ted Albert Memorial and the 2027 Prince Philip Cup at LMYC on Wednesday 10 February 2027 between 0900hrs and 1600hrs or on Thursday 11 February 2027 between 0900hrs and 1030hrs.
Those boats wishing to only enter the 2027 Prince Philip Cup will be permitted to register on Saturday 13 February 2027 between 0930hrs and 1100hrs.
- 5.2 At registration entrants shall present their boat's insurance policy and Sail and Mast Registration, Declaration of Compliance form and an Australian Sailing Category 7 Equipment Audit form that has been verified by an AS Equipment Auditor.
- 5.3 A measurement time for sails, weighing of crews and measurement of boats will be allocated at registration.
- 5.4 The weights and total combined weight of each crew member of each boat will be determined at Registration to ensure compliance with International Dragon Class Rules.
- 5.5 Boats shall not present any unmeasured sails for registration and measurement.
- 5.6 No more than eight sails per boat may be submitted.

6. SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME (hrs)	EVENT
Wed 10/02/27	0900hrs – 1700hrs	Registration & Measurement Day Welcome Drinks & Canapes
Thu 11/02/27	0900hrs – 1030hrs 1100hrs Warning Signal not before 1255hrs	Final Registration & Measurement Competitor Briefing 2026 NSW State Championships Races 1 - 3
Fri 12/02/27	Warning Signal not before 1255hrs	2026 NSW State Championships Races 4 – 6 2027 Ted Albert Memorial Races 1 – 3 Presentation of Trophies
Sat & Sun 13 & 14/02/27		Lay-days
Mon 15/02/27	1100hrs Warning Signal not before 1255hrs	Competitor Briefing Prince Philip Cup Races 1 & 2
Tue 16/02/27	Warning Signal not before 1255hrs	Prince Philip Cup Races 3 & 4
Wed 17/02/27		Lay-day
Thu 18/02/27	1100hrs Warning Signal not before 1255hrs	Competitor Briefing Prince Philip Cup Races 5 & 6
Fri 19/02/27	Warning Signal not before 1255hrs	Prince Philip Cup Races 7 & 8 Prince Philip Cup Dinner & Presentation of Trophies

- 6.1 The Race Committee may make changes to the schedule in case of vagaries in the weather or as required.
- 6.2 On the last scheduled day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 1600hrs.

7. EQUIPMENT including REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR SAILS

- 7.1 Except in an emergency, helmsperson substitution will not be permitted, and helmsperson and crew substitutions shall first be approved by the Race Committee provided that the total crew weight when substituted does not exceed the weight limit stipulated in the International Dragon Class Rules.
- 7.2 Replacement or repair of sails or required equipment will require the prior consent of the Race Committee.
- 7.3 Each skipper shall complete a Regatta Sail and Mast Registration and Declaration of Compliance form for their vessel and crew with respect to IDCR Measurement Standards and Regulations in the full knowledge that any incorrect statement or material error may result in disqualification from the Regatta.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 8.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available online on the regatta page of the LMYC club's website <https://www.lmyc.com.au/regattas-2027ida/> by Monday 1st February 2027 and at registration.

9. VENUE AND RACE AREAS

- 9.1 Racing shall be conducted on Lake Macquarie in the vicinity of Belmont Bay.

10. THE COURSES

- 10.1 The courses shall be windward/leeward type courses as described in the Sailing Instructions.

11. SCORING

- 11.1 The Low Point System, RRS Appendix A, applied including the provisions of RRS Appendix A5.2.
- 11.2 For the 2026 NSW State Championships:
 - a. Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
 - b. When four or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 11.3 For the Ted Albert Memorial:
 - a. one race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
 - b. A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with no exclusions.
- 11.4 For the Prince Philip Cup:
 - a. Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
 - b. When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - c. When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

12. SUPPORT BOATS [DP]

- 12.1 Visiting coach or support boats may be berthed at LMYC for the duration of the regatta by prior application with the Marina Manager and subject to availability. Additional fees may apply.
- 12.2 Coaches and support boats must remain well away from the start area, the course area and racing areas (at a minimum of 100m) from the time of the first warning signal each day until racing has concluded for the day.
- 12.3 Competitors shall have no communication with boats and boats shall not be tied to coach or support boats from the first warning signal each race day until racing has been concluded for the day.

- 12.4 Support boats shall make themselves available at all times while afloat to assist the Race Committee in the case of an emergency or rescue, as directed in person by the relevant race officer, or via VHF Radio or as signalled by the flying of code flag V on the start boat. Refer to RRS37.

13. HAULING OUT

- 13.1 Competing boats shall not be hauled out and shall not remove their rudders from the time they are launched following their inspection until the end of the event except with, and according to, the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee.
- 13.2 Underwater breathing apparatus, closed plastic pools or their equivalent, the use of dehumidifiers or electric fans of any type shall not be used around boats while they are afloat.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 14.1 All boats shall carry a marine band VHF radio capable of receiving and transmitting Marine VHF channels. The radio shall be switched on at all times and tuned to the correct race committee frequency. The race committee intends to monitor VHF channel 71 and communicate race information to competitors. [DP]
- 14.2 Boats are required to use the VHF radio to report retirement from racing to the race committee and may use the radio to request assistance in an emergency. No other transmissions are permitted by competing boats during each racing day from their warning signal until the completion of their race.
- 14.3 [SP] A boat that fails to report her retirement will be scored DNC without a hearing.

15. TROPHIES & PRIZES

- 15.1 **2026 NSW STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS / TED ALBERT MEMORIAL:**
- (a) Presentations of the following trophies will be announced at the post event function at LMYC on Friday 12 February 2027:
- i. New South Wales State Championship Trophy
 - ii. Ted Albert Memorial Trophy.
 - iii. The Charles E Davies trophy will be awarded to the winner of the last race in the Ted Albert Memorial.
- 15.2 **AUSTRALASIAN CHAMPIONSHIP:**
- (a) Formal presentations of the following trophies will be announced at the post event function at LMYC on Friday 19 February 2027:
- i. The Prince Philip Cup will be awarded to the winning helmsperson of the Australasian Championship.
 - ii. The Corinthian Trophy will be awarded to the winning helmsperson in the Corinthian division of the Australasian Championship. The scoring will be the low point system as used in the Australasian Championship except that in each race the first Corinthian boat will score a win, the second Corinthian boat will score a second and so on.
 - iii. The Jack Ayres/Ediss Boyes Trophy will be awarded to the first wooden boat overall in the Australasian Championship.
 - iv. The Jack Linacre Memorial trophy will be awarded to the winner of race 1.
- (b) Individual race prizes may be presented at the discretion of the OA following each day's racing.
- 15.3 **CORINTHIAN DIVISION:**
- (a) To qualify for the Corinthian Division all helmspersons and crew shall hold a group 1 classification under the World Sailing Sailor Classification Code, Regulation 22. Unclassified sailors will be deemed to be Group 3.
- (b) A boat entered in the Corinthian Division for the Corinthian Trophy shall also be entered automatically in the Open Division and shall be eligible for prizes and trophies in both divisions.

- (c) Details of the World Sailing Sailor Classification Code and information on how to apply can be found on the World Sailing website: www.sailing.org/classification
- (e) The closing date for the receipt of valid Corinthian entries shall be 1500hrs on Friday 5 February 2027. Proof of Corinthian classification, expiry date and World Sailing ID number for each crew shall be presented at registration.
- (f) All Corinthian crew shall hold valid classifications until the completion of the regatta. Should a boat whose Corinthian entry has been checked and accepted need to change a crew member between the closing date of the entry and the start of the regatta, the name of the new crew member with their valid World Sailing ID number must be submitted to the Organizing Authority for their approval.

16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 16.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race, which states "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." 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.
- 16.2 The OA, sponsors, class associations, the race committee and other race officials are not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.
- 16.3 All those taking part in these races are reminded of their obligations as set out in the AS Special Regulations clause 1.02 Responsibility of the Person in Charge.

17. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

- 17.1 In participating in this event, a competitor automatically grants to the OA the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and which the competitor participates and in all material related to the event without compensation.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

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