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## NOTICE OF RACE WEDNESDAY CLUB WINTER RACING SERIES 2026

**Start Date:** Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2026      **Finish Date:** Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2026

The series will be run each Wednesday subject to suitable weather conditions. Decision on suitability will be at the sole discretion of the Race Committee.

Racing may be suspended on days that clash with major BAI or other Club events at the discretion of the Race Committee.

### Championship Entry Conditions:

- No Entry fee applies
  - Entry to the Championship competition must be made online using the registration form on the club's web page.
  - Entries close Monday 6th April.
  - No late entries will be accepted.
- Note: Club members who don't register for the championship can still sail in races as a 'casual' entry on any given day.
- **Lights Division**, that is, under 85kg at the first day of the series, comprised of two groups.
    - Both groups will sail together.
    - Championship Competitors. Entries for this group must be made on line through the registration form on the club's web page before the first race day of the series. No late entries will be accepted'.
    - Non-Championship Sailors. These sailors are also asked to enter via the registration form on the club's web page before the first race day of the series to assist with set up. New sailors can join this group at any time during the series. ( [Note: race results will show on speedhive however, there will be no championship points for this group](#))
  - **Heavies Division**, that is, 85kg and over at the first day of the series, comprised of two groups.
    - Both groups will sail together.
    - Championship Competitors. Entries for this group must be made on line through the registration form on the club's web page before the first race day of the series. No late entries will be accepted'.
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Format:

- 2 Minute Dial Up (May be changed on the day)
- 5 Minute Race (May be changed on the day)
- Course and Start sequence will be outlined at the briefing.
- Blokart's need to be on the track and stationary, asap after the orange flag is raised, ready to race prior to the count down timer starting to assist with a quick turn over of races.
- Drop 1 race after each 3rd race.
- Qualifying races will normally be run between 2.00pm and last race starting no later than 4.30pm. This may be changed on the day by the Race Officer.
- A maximum of 5 qualifying races on any one day.
- RO's will be allocated to each division at the briefing and needs to be present for the duration of the races allocated.
- Lights and Heavies will generally sail in separate races. However, at the discretion of the Race Committee divisions may be combined subject to suitable RO arrangements being made.
- Each Championship Division must have a minimum of 2 competitors competing on any day for a race to be a valid championship race and qualify for competition points.
- No race will be started until the wind has been blowing 10kph+ (on starting box club anemometer) for 3 anemometer refreshes prior to starting the race.
- First lap is expected to be completed in 3 ½ minute unless stated otherwise in a briefing. Race will be abandoned if this time is not met.
- If only one competitor competes the first lap in 3 ½ minutes the Race officials need to review conditions and track layout.
- Race scoring will be electronic and transponders will be required.

Rules:

- IBRA rules will apply (Any Rules may be over ridden by the Race committee to suit track and weather conditions)
- A maximum time of 5 minutes will apply for completion of the race after the chequered flag unless otherwise advised at the briefing.
- Scoring in terms of IBRA rules Edition 10, Section (H) to apply.

Protests:

- Protests will be lodged verbally with one of the appointed Protest Officers, Arron Schroder or Scott McIntosh or their appointed deputies.
- Protest must be lodged within 30 minutes of the end of the race.
- In accordance with the IBRA Rule G.5 a mediation meeting will run prior to the formal protest hearing to give an opportunity for the competitors to discuss and agree an outcome.
- The protest process will be in line with IBRA Rules Edition 10 Section G with the exception that:
  - Protest will be lodged verbally
  - There will be no fee.

Race Officers:

- Race Officers will be set each day for each division.
  - These people will be required to be at the start/finish line for each race of the division they are covering.
  - Races will not start until a race official is in place.
  - These duties will be rotated through all competitors in the competition.

Trophies:

- Only club members who have registered for the Championships (including Associates) are eligible to win the Series trophy.
- Trophy will be awarded based on the total points earned for the series
- Each Division to have up to three placings medals in addition to the trophy for the winner.
- A Club Champion will be awarded for both the Heavy & Light Divisions
- Cruiser Division participants will not be eligible for the Club Champion award.