

**Hobie Class Association
Hobie GP1 2017,
The Catamaran Club, Bronkhorstspuit
16 September 2017 to 17 September 2017
(as rescheduled due to wind conditions)**

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NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the **Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020**.
- 1.2** The SA Sailing requirement for Regional Championships and the SAS Northern Region Regional Bylaws for Regional Championships will apply.
- 1.3** Boats participating in this regatta shall conform to the **Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS) 2013 - 16**, the **Applicable Class Rules**, this **Notice of Race**, and the **Sailing Instructions**.
- 1.4** **Both Skipper and crew shall be paid up members in good standing of their class association where applicable as well as SAS. All fees (membership and entry) shall be paid before the schedule starting time of the first race. Failure to do so will result in that entry being disregarded.**
- 1.5** RRS 44.1 will be changed so that the two- penalty is replaced by the one turn penalty. Other changes will appear in full in the sailing instruction.

1.6 ADVERTISING

ISAF Regulation 20 – Advertising Code – applies. Boats may be required to display event advertising on the forward part of the hull. Yachts shall not display any advertising which is in conflict with that of any official event sponsor

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

In accordance with the International Sailing Federation (ISAF) Regulation 19 (Eligibility Code), all competitors (Helmspersons and all other crew) shall be members in good standing of a Yacht Club affiliated to and in good standing with SA Sailing or their Member National Authority in the case of non-South Africans. The Yacht Club name and membership details shall be stated on the entry form or crew list. Current valid South African Sailing Membership Cards or similar proof of MNA Membership in cases of non-South Africans shall be presented at Registration.

- 2.1** The regatta forms part of the Hobie Northern region GP series
The northern region GP Series consists of the following 5 events with one discard allowed
Hobie GP 1 TCC
Hobie 16 Nationals (GP 2)
Hobie GP3 Open Cat Round the Island Race LDYC
Hobie 16 Northern region Provincials (GP 4)
Hobie GP 5 LDYC
Please see the website for the full calendar www.hobiesa.co.za/calendars



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2.2 Eligible boats may enter at www.hobiesa.co.za/enter and paying the entry fee

2.3 Late entries will be accepted up to one hour before the start of the first race, but please enter on line if possible to assist with easy flow of the registration process.

3 FEES

3.1 Entry fees are as follows:

Hobie Tiger, Hobie 18, Hobie 16 and double handed open class R250.00 per boat
Hobie 14 and youth (under 18 yrs) and single handed open class R180.00 per boat

Please pay by EFT to

**Northern Region Hobie Class Association
Account No 005233984
Standard Bank Branch Code 00051001**

Cash will be accepted on the day, but EFT is preferable to assist with easy flow of the registration process.

4 SCHEDULE

4.1 Registration will take place at the race office from 9.00 am to 11.00am on the first day of the regatta.

4.2 A skippers briefing will be held at 11.00am on the first day of the regatta.

4.3 The warning signal for the first race will be 12.00 am on the first day of the regatta

4.4 The scheduled time of the warning signal for each of the following days, will be not before 9.00 am

4.5 The start time for the last race on the last day of the regatta will be no later than 3.00pm.

5 MEASUREMENTS

Spot measurements may be taken at any stage during the regatta in order to ensure all boats comply with the class rules.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be advised at the skippers briefing



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7 THE COURSES

Hobie courses will be used, Long Hauls may also be used and will be notified at the skippers briefing.

8 SCORING

8.1 Low Point System of Appendix A4.1 will apply.

8.2 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a regatta.

- 8.3**
- (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 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - (c) When 10 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her races excluding her two worst scores.

11 SAFETY

11.1 Yachts shall comply with their class buoyancy and safety requirements.

11.2 All competitors shall wear a personal buoyancy aid, at all times, capable of supporting a 5 kg steel weight at all times while afloat in a yacht.

11.3 Wet or dry suits do not constitute adequate buoyancy!

12 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction applies especially to, but not exclusively to mobile telephones.

13 PRIZES

- Prize-giving for the NRHCA Grand Prix series will take place an hour after the results have been posted on the regatta notice board on the last day of the last regatta of the annual series.
- Prizes, medals and trophies may be awarded at the sole discretion of the club and NRHCA.
- Series prizes will be awarded to skippers in the form vouchers redeemable at Hobie Cat SA
- 1ST Prize for the series a voucher to the value of R10 000.00
- 2nd Prize for the series a voucher to the value of R5 000.00
- 3rd Prize for the series a voucher to the value of R2 500.00



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- The Hobie Class association committee and Hobie SA employees are excluded from winning the prizes.

14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. Neither the Organizing Authority nor its officials or other persons associated with the organization of the event will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

15 INSURANCE

Each participating boat is encouraged to carry sufficient valid third-party liability insurance to cover any liability arising during the event.

16 CATERING

Catering is available at the club, however pre booking with the club is required to facilitate catering arrangements.

17 ACCOMODATION

Camping at the club is free.

Caravan's requiring electricity may incur a nominal connection charge. Please enquire at the club about this.

18 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact

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