



2021-22 MULTIHULL CENTRAL

Taipan Catamaran

Australian Championships

28th December 2021 – 3rd January 2022

Notice of Race

Organizing Authorities:

Taipan Catamaran Association of Australia Inc. (TCAA)

In conjunction with the host club:

Kurnell Catamaran Club Inc. (KCC)

1. RULES

The regatta is governed by:

- World Sailing – Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024, as amended by this Notice of Race (NOR) and Sailing Instructions.
- Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 – off-the-beach classes.
- The Championship Rules of the TCAA.
- The Class Rules of the TCAA.
- This Notice of Race.
- The Sailing Instructions.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Advertising shall only be displayed in accordance with the World Sailing Advertising Code (Refer World Sailing Regulation 20).
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authorities.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all Taipan Catamaran classes whose:
 - 3.1.1. Skipper and crew (if applicable) are financial members of a sailing club affiliated with Australian Sailing.
 - 3.1.2. Skipper is a financial member of the TCAA (memberships due 1 September 2021).
- 3.2 ***Taipan 5.7 Sail Configuration:***
 - 3.2.1 Taipan 5.7 entrants must nominate a sail configuration to use for the regatta on the Entry Form, being either "With Spinnaker" or "Without Spinnaker".
 - 3.2.2 Results are based on corrected time.
 - 3.2.3 Entrants that nominate "With Spinnaker" have their corrected race times calculated using the current Australian Sailing Yardstick for a Taipan 5.7 Spin.
 - 3.2.4 Subject to 3.2.5, entrants that nominate "Without Spinnaker" have their corrected race times calculated using the current Australian Sailing Yardstick for a Taipan 5.7.
 - 3.2.5 Entrants that nominate "Without Spinnaker" on the Entry Form, but are rigged with a spinnaker at any time whilst racing (invitation race excluded), are rated as "With Spinnaker" for all Race Sessions. Race results are calculated in accordance with 3.2.3, regardless of whether or not the spinnaker is actually used or able to be used.
 - 3.2.6 Entrants that nominate "With Spinnaker" on the Entry Form, but who wish to change to "Without Spinnaker", may do so up until the close of Registration. However, written evidence must be provided to the Race Committee that at least 75% of registered Taipan 5.7 entrants consent to the change, whereupon their race results are then calculated in accordance with 3.2.4.
 - 3.2.7 Once Taipan 5.7 sail configuration is confirmed under 3.2.1, 3.2.5 or 3.2.6, it is fixed for the regatta for the purpose of calculating results.
- 3.3 The Organising Authorities reserve the right to combine classes with less than 5 entries in the same Division.
- 3.4 It is compulsory for boats competing in the regatta to be covered by an approved comprehensive insurance policy, including cover whilst racing. Policies must include third party cover of not less than AU\$5 million (recommended AU\$10 million) for any one incident.

Insurance certificates should be available for inspection at registration.

Entering this regatta is taken as confirmation by the Organising Authorities that the skipper and/or boat owner has the required insurance cover in place for the regatta.

Boats without the required insurance cover are ineligible to compete.

- 3.5 Eligible boats may enter by either:
 - Completing the online entry form and making payment via the TCAA website prior to 17:00hrs on 27 December 2021 (**preferred method**); or
 - Other TCAA approved financial arrangements.
- 3.6 Entries close at 12:00hrs on 28 December 2021.

4. ENTRY FEES *

- 4.9 Cat – \$350
- 4.9 Sloop & 5.7/5.7 Spin - \$400
- Junior skippers and/or crews – a discount of \$50 will be applied per sailor under the age of 18 as at 1 January 2022.

** Excludes TCAA membership of \$45 for skipper (due 1 September 2021)*

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Day	Date	Sailing *		Social	
		Event	Time	Event	Time
Tuesday	28-Dec-21	Registration & Measurement	13:00		
Wednesday	29-Dec-21	Registration & Measurement	10:00 – 12:00	Welcome Dinner	18:00
		Regatta Briefing	13:00		
		Invitation Race	14:00		
Thursday	30-Dec-21	Daily Briefing	TBA		1600
		* Race Session(s)	Not Before 13:00		
Friday	31-Dec-21	Daily Briefing	TBA		
		* Race Session(s)	Not before 11:00		
Saturday	1-Jan-22	No Racing		Lay Day New Years Day	
Sunday	2-Jan-22	Daily Briefing	TBA	TCAA AGM	1630 / after racing
		* Race Session(s)	Not Before 10:00		
Monday	3-Jan-22	Daily Briefing	TBA		
		* Race Session(s)	Not Before 10:00		

*** IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING RACE SCHEDULE**

The racing schedule has been kept open to allow for unfavourable weather patterns. After considering issued weather forecasts and any other factors, the Organising Authorities shall advise competitors (via Facebook and the Official Notice Board) of the proposed schedule for the following day's racing by 18:00hrs on the preceding day. Up to 10 races are scheduled for the series, with a maximum of 3 races to be conducted back-to-back during any one race session (unless more races are required on the last race session to achieve a series).

NB: There may be more than one Race Session per Race Day.

6. MEASUREMENT

- 6.1 Each boat shall comply with the measurement requirements of its respective Class Rules and hold a valid measurement certificate (if required).
- 6.2 At registration, all Taipan catamarans shall be weighed and their sails checked for compliance with the Class Rules.
- 6.3 A boat may be inspected for compliance with its respective Class Rules and the Sailing Instructions at any time during the regatta, at the sole discretion of the Race Committee.
- 6.4 Subject to the availability of a class measurer, there may be an opportunity for boats to be weighed and sails checked prior to the regatta. Details shall be posted on the TCAA website if and when dates and venues become available.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions (hard copies) are available from the commencement of registration on Tuesday, 28 December 2021. They may be available in “draft” digital format on the KCC and/or TCAA websites prior to this date.

<http://www.kcc.asn.au>

<https://www.taipan.asn.au>

8. SCORING

- 8.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply, as amended below.
- 8.2 When 9 or more races are completed, a boat’s series score is the total of her race scores, excluding her two worst scores.
- 8.3 When 5 to 8 races have been completed, a boat’s series score is the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score.
- 8.4 When 4 races are completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 8.5 Up to 10 races are scheduled, of which at least 4 races must be completed to constitute a series.

9. COURSE

The course is Windward/Leeward, as prescribed in the TCAA Championship Rules and defined in the Sailing Instructions.

10. PRIZES

Prizes are awarded for each Division as follows:

Number of entries (by Division)	Prizes awarded *
3 or fewer boats	1 st place
4 to 6 boats	1 st and 2 nd place
7 or more boats	1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd place

* Further prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the TCAA Committee.

Note: To facilitate determination of and timely purchase of trophies, the TCAA Committee may base its decision to award prizes on the number of completed online registrations as at midnight on 1 December 2021, or as otherwise determined by the TCAA Committee.

11. VENUE

The host club is **Kurnell Catamaran Club**, Cnr Prince Charles Pde & Ward St Kurnell, New South Wales 2231.



12. RACING AREA

The racing area is on the enclosed waters of Botany Bay, Sydney. Access is via the beachside grassed rigging area of Kurnell Catamaran Club. Further details at the Regatta Briefing prior to the Invitation Race.

13. ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make nor receive electronic transmissions while racing nor receive electronic communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Neither KCC or TCAA, or their respective members, officers and sponsors, and all others involved in the management and conduct of this regatta, are liable for any loss of life or injury, or any loss of property or damage thereto, whatsoever or howsoever occurring, from participation in this event. The race documents and instructions in no way limit or reduce the complete and unlimited responsibility of a competitor for the management and care of a boat entered by or on behalf of a competitor.

ATTENTION IS DRAWN TO RRS 3 (DECISION TO RACE).**17. COVID-19**

The regatta is undertaken and managed in accordance with NSW Government health orders and the NSW Government approved KCC Covid-19 plan.

KCC and the TCAA take no responsibility for any financial loss owing to the cancelation of the regatta as a result of Government mandated "lock downs" or other regulations.

15. AUTHORISATION

By participating in the event, the participant automatically authorizes the Organising Authorities and sponsors of the event the right to make use of and show from time-to-time names, images, sound recordings and any other reproductions taken during the event, and any other material related to the event, without compensation.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please refer to the Events forum on the TCAA website <https://www.taipan.asn.au>.

KCC info at: <http://www.kcc.asn.au>