

New Zealand Team Sailing Association Inc. PO Box 168 Warkworth 0941

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To All of our Community

Good Morning,

Some significant work has been going on behind the scenes at NZTSA and through this note we wish to bring everyone up to speed.

- 1. Interdom Championship 2023. Whilst we are not in receipt of the final NOR at this point we are well aware that the Championship will be held at Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron Monday 25 September to Wednesday 28 September. We are delighted to advise that Westlake Girlsl, Nelson College for Girls and Whangarei Girls make up the womens' squad. The open division will be represented by Saint Kentigern College, Westlake Boys College and a combined Rangitoto/Glendowie team. The sailor list will be circulated later as those representing New Zealand. Our sincere thanks go to Alan Clarkson, Whangarei, who has, and is in the middle of, resurrecting our 4 pacers for teams to practice before the event. These boats will be stationed at Whangarei this year but we will look to station them where the teams are based as much as is possible going forward. Clearly it is best to keep all 4 in one place. In the mean-time some of our teams are off to Sydney early and a fleet of pacers will be available for training. As an important but interesting side we note with thanks the date movement by Yachting New Zealand of The New Zealand Youth Championship (Youth trials) that allowed 2 of our teams to participate.
- 2. We can announce that the National Secondary Schools Championship 2024 will be held at New Plymouth Yacht Club from Sunday 21st April with registration and briefing commencing at 1600 and finishing Friday 26th April with prizegiving and social function finishing at 2100. Details for the regatta are attached to this note.
- 3. Interdom Championship 2024 will be held at Royal Akarana Yacht Club in Auckland. We anticipate that our top 3 open and top 3 women's teams from our Nationals will participate in this event. It is noted that going forward we anticipate holding our National event every 2nd year at Akarana, with the New Zealand leg of the Interdom always at Akarana. The rationale for holding our National event outside Auckland on every other year is that this is seen as an excellent way for regional areas to grow the sport and at the same time build pathways for umpires, officials and race management personnel. If your Club or area wishes to host the event in 2026 now is the time to work on building your case for holding the event.

- 4. We are planning for the **National Secondary Schools Championship 2025** to be held at Royal Akarana Yacht Club in Auckland. Dates will be set within the next 3 months to ensure that clashes are mitigated!
- 5. The NOR for the event in 2024 will advise the racing format and we can advise it is our intention to trial "Swiss league" in 2 of our regional events this coming season. Dates for these regional regattas are currently being finalised. We are well aware that Sail GP, Opti Nationals and Inspire are all creating a busy schedule for sailors and so communication early on dates is critical for us. The regional dates should be finalised in coming weeks.
- 6. With the support of YNZ we will be running an umpire's course prior to the Nationals in New Plymouth commencing on Friday the 19th April. Now is the time to register for the course. Please contact Rob Herries directly at <u>robertherries@gmail.com</u>

This note tis to keep all abreast of the changes and developments in our sport. Please reach out if there are ANY matters you'd like to hear more about.

Signed,

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