



THE 2020 STARLING NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

14th – 19th April 2020

The Organising Authority is Nelson Yacht Club
322 Wakefield Quay, Nelson, New Zealand

NOTICE OF RACE

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NB: The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the Notice of Race means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1 RULES

- 1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2** The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part 1 shall apply.
- 1.3** Racing rule 61.1(a) will be changed to state that "A competitor intending to protest is required to inform the race committee at the finish line of their intention to protest immediately after finishing".
The change will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.4** Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply.
- 1.5** Appendix P shall apply as amended by the Sailing Instructions

2 ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority. [DP]

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1** The regatta is open to all boats of the Starling class that comply with the Starling Class constitution and class rules.
- 3.2** Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form at <http://www.nelsonyachtclub.org.nz/event/2020-nz-starling-national-championships/> In addition the required entry fee shall be paid to Nelson Yacht Club account No 03-1709-0010163-000 with your sail number as reference

The completed entry form and fee are to be received by March 31st April 2020
- 3.3** Late entries will be accepted under the following conditions: The completed entry form with all other documentation and late fees shall be received no later than 12th April 2020
- 3.4** To be eligible to compete in this event each competitor shall be a financial member of a club recognised by the competitor's national authority. Proof of affiliated club membership shall be presented at registration.

- 3.5** To be eligible to race in the Development (Green) fleet a competitor shall not have previously finished in the top 3 places in a previous Starling Development (Green) fleet regatta
- 3.6** Each competitor shall be a financial member of the Starling Class Association (see 4 FEES for details)

4 FEES

Required fees are as follows:

Entry	Regatta Entry	<u>Per family</u> SCA fee	Total Fee	Closing date
Regatta entry fee and SCA subscription	\$200 Includes T-shirt	\$40	\$240	31 st March
Late entry fee and SCA subscription	\$240 No T-shirt	\$40	\$280	12 April

Note: Only one SCA fee per family

5 QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

5.1 Open fleet

The regatta will consist of a qualifying series and a final series. Entries may be split into yellow and blue flights for a qualifying series. Thereafter the Open fleet will split into a Gold and Silver fleet. More details will be set out in the Sailing Instructions.

5.1 Development fleet

The regatta will be run as a single series on a separate course and will be one fleet.

6 SCHEDULE

6.1 Registration: Will be held from 1200 hrs to 1600 hrs on the 14th April 2020 and from 0800 hrs to 1800 hrs on 15th April 2020 at the Nelson Yacht Club.

6.2 Equipment inspection and event measurement: the Nelson Yacht Club on either the 14th April 2020 between 1200 hrs and 1600 hrs or the 15th April 2020 between 0800 hrs and 1800 hrs.

6.3 Event welcome, Sailors briefing and support boat briefing 1800 hrs, 15th April 2020. Attendance is strongly recommended.

6.4 Dates of racing:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Warning signal Open Fleet</i>	<i>No of Races scheduled</i>	<i>Warning signal Development fleet</i>	<i>No of races scheduled</i>
16 th April 2020	1000 hrs	3	1100 hrs	2
17 th April 2020	1000 hrs	3	1100 hrs	2
18 th April 2020	1000 hrs	3	1100 hrs	2
19 th April 2020	1000 hrs	3	1100 hrs	2

6.5 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1600 hrs.

7 MEASUREMENT

Each boat shall be in possession of an A measuring certificate as listed on the SCA website <http://www.starling.org.nz>.

7.1 The class rules do not restrict the number of masts, sails, centreboards or rudders which may be used in the competition. However only items of equipment which have passed measurement at the contest may be used.

7.2 Each competitor shall present their hull for weighing in dry condition with the rudder removed, and their mast and centreboard, to the regatta measurer for measurement and inspection at the Nelson Yacht Club on either the 14th April 2020 between 1200 hrs and 1600 hrs or the 15th April 2020 between 0800 hrs and 1800 hrs. See 6.2 above.

7.3 Safety equipment such as a rudder / tiller lock, a centreboard lanyard, bailer tied on, the sail number written on the side of the hull in figures at least 50mm high, and the ability to lower the sail from the cockpit will all be checked.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions may be available after midnight on 29th February 2020 on line <http://www.nelsonyachtclub.org.nz/event/2020-nz-starling-national-championships/>

8.1 No paper copies will be provided although a copy will be posted on the official notice board throughout the regatta.

8.2 The Development fleet will have a separate briefing each day where the course will be set out and explained. Unless altered at this briefing the Sailing Instructions will apply.

9 VENUE

Attachment A shows the location of the regatta venue.

9.1 Attachment B shows the location of the racing areas.

10 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be either Trapezoid or Windward / Leeward

11 SCORING

Open Fleet

11.1 Five races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

- 11.2**
- a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - b) When five to nine races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - c) When ten or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

Development fleet

- 11.3**
- a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - b) When from 4 to 6 races have been completed a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - c) When 7 or 8 races have been completed a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her 2 worst scores.

12 SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats shall be marked with the sail number or club of the boat(s) being supported [DP]

13 LAUNCHING

All Starlings shall be launched from the Nelson Yacht Club unless instructed otherwise.

13.1 Beach trollies shall be clearly marked with the Sail Number of the boat and shall be stored in the space indicated on the beach.

14 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. [DP]

15 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

Open Fleet Under 19 unless stipulated otherwise

John Peet Trophy shall be awarded to the highest placed competitor in the overall open fleet results and they shall be awarded the title – Starling National Champion

Kohi Cup shall be awarded to the second highest placed competitor in the open fleet

Murrays Bay Cup shall be awarded to the third highest placed competitor in the open fleet.

Alan Sayer Trophy shall be awarded to the highest placed female competitor in the open fleet.

John Binsley Trophy shall be awarded to the second highest placed female competitor in the open fleet.

Chris Timms Trophy shall be awarded to the highest placed under 16 year old in the overall open fleet.

The Harken Trophy shall be awarded to the youngest skipper in the first 10 places overall in the open fleet.

The Cooke Trophy shall be awarded to the leading competitor at the end of the qualifying series.

The Brian Peet Trophy shall be awarded to the highest placed wooden boat in the open fleet.

The Howick Cup shall be awarded to the winner of the Silver division of the open fleet.

The Queen Charlotte Trophy shall be awarded to the most improved skipper in the open fleet throughout the championship.

The Graeme Leonard Hays shield shall be awarded to any skipper, who in the opinion of the host club, showed exceptional courage and effort during the event.

Open fleet Over 19

The Des Townson Trophy shall be awarded to the highest placed competitor over 19 in the open fleet.

Development Fleet

The Development Fleet Trophy shall be awarded to the highest placed competitor under 19 yr old in the Development Fleet

The age date for prizes is 19th April, 2020

16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organising 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.

17 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid marine third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000 per incident or the equivalent. Certificate of insurance is to be presented at registration.

18 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact:

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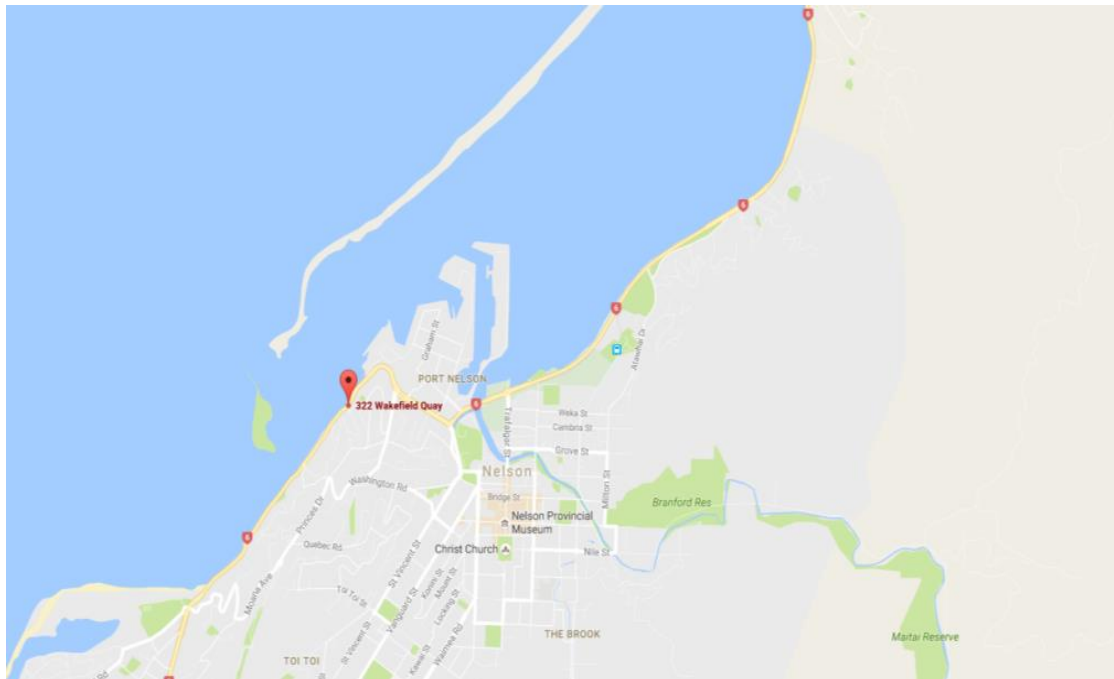
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ATTACHMENT A:

The venue is the Nelson Yacht Club, 322 Wakefield Quay, Nelson:



ATTACHMENT B:

The racing area will be waters of Tasman Bay & Nelson Harbour

