

New South Wales 16ft Skiff Association Inc.

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Attention: Club Race Secretary

The next meeting of the Association will be held at the **Georges River Club** on **Wednesday 28th May 2008** at **7.30pm**.

Interclub Regattas – 2008/09

The following is the programme of interclub events for next season.

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Venue</i>
Saturday 18/10/2008	Manly Regatta	Manly
Saturday 8/11/2008	Heat 1 State Championship	Port Hunter
Sunday 9/11/2008	Heat 2 State Championship	Port Hunter
Saturday 22/11/2008	Heat 3 State Championship	Georges River
Sunday 23/11/2008	Heat 4 State Championship	Georges River
Saturday 6/12/2008	Drummoyne Regatta	Drummoyne
* Saturday 7/2/2009	Australian 16ft Skiff Sprint Series	Belmont
Sunday 8/2/2009	Belmont Bay Championship	Belmont
Sunday 15/2/2009	Botany Bay Championship	St George

* Special Event (not counted for the purpose of any Association Point Scores under the present rules)

In compiling their programmes, club's should note that, under the current rules, **no** club is permitted to conduct a race when a State Championship event is being conducted.

Both the Middle Harbour and Illawarra Clubs have indicated that they will not be hosting a Regatta event next season.

Annual Commodores Meeting

A reminder to Club Commodores that the annual Commodores Meeting will take place at the Manly Club on Saturday 17th May 2008 commencing at 12 midday.

2008/09 Australian 13ft and 16ft Skiff Championships

The following will now be the format and dates for next season's Australian Championships to be hosted by the Illawarra Club.

- 7 day series (Sunday 4/1/09 to Saturday 10/1/09);

- 9 race series with 1 reserve day (aim for 2 races 4/1/09, 2 races 5/1/09, reserve day on 6/1/09, 1 race 7/1/09, 2 races 8/1/09, 1 race 9/1/09 and 1 race and Presentation 10/1/09);
- Target time for races on multiple race days to be 60-70 minutes, otherwise 90-100 minutes;
- 5 races constitute a series with no drop for 5 race series, 1 drop for 6 race series and 2 drops for 7-9 race series;
- No race to be scheduled to have a warning signal before 12 noon.

The Illawarra Club has asked for an early indication from sailors as to who is **proposing to camp in the grounds near the Club** so that the necessary arrangements can be made and the required amount of area set aside. It would be helpful to know the space required and whether a tent or caravan site is proposed to be used. Proposed charge is \$15 per night for a site and this will include a breakfast at the Club. Please email or contact the IYC Commodore, Todd Lindsay, direct as soon as possible to advise your requirements or for any additional information (ttrconst@optusnet.com.au).

Sail Measurers seminar

A club Sail Measurers seminar will be held on **Saturday 2nd August 2008** at 11 Sydenham Road, Brookvale commencing at **11.00am**. The purpose of the session will be to ensure consistency with sail measuring and will be co-ordinated by Clint Bowen. It has become apparent over recent seasons that there are some different interpretations amongst club measurers on how to measure sails and this has lead to different areas being determined. Practical examples of how sails should be measured will be given.

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Hon. Secretary