

New South Wales 16ft Skiff Association Inc.

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Attention: Club Race Secretary and Association Delegates

The next meeting of the Association will be held at the **Middle Harbour Club** on **Wednesday 30th May 2012** at 7.30pm.

Clubs are asked to consider whether they wish to host an **interclub Regatta event next season (2012/13)** and submit their dates to the Association by the next meeting on 30th May to give other Clubs the option of framing their own club racing programmes around those dates. In accordance with the Conduct of 16ft Skiff Sailing in NSW Rules, any interclub Regatta event not submitted to the Association by 1 July will not be recognised by the Association and it will not count in any Association point scores.

For information, the 2012/13 State Championships are scheduled to be hosted by St George, Manly and Drummoyne clubs on the following weekends - 27th and 28th October, 10th/11th and 24th/25th November 2012, although the allocation of which weekend will be hosted by which club has yet to be decided.

The following are the final points for the various 2011/12 season **NSW Association point scores**.

Association Championship Point Score

Belmont	8,923 points
Manly	7,175 “
Middle Harbour	1,023 “
Illawarra	921 “
Georges River	713 “
Drummoyne	321 “
Port Hunter	167 “
St George	39 “

Charles Wood Handicap Point Score

Belmont	5,075 points
Manly	3,261 “
Illawarra	2,715 “
Georges River	1,682 “
Middle Harbour	1,671 “
Drummoyne	565 “
Port Hunter	467 “
St George	248 “

Regatta Fastest Time Point Score

1	Fluid Building Services	10 pts
2	Brydens Compensation Lawyers	20
3	Spatial Info	40
4	Fire Stopping	42
5	AB Window Fashions	50
6	V.K. Thomas	56
7	Sutech Building Consultants	66
8	Gill	78
9	Shead Property	82
10	Energy Australia	85
11	Newcastle Herald	88 (countback)
12	Straight Azz Tiling	88 (countback)
13	McKajj Services	94
14	Hotondo Homes	105
15	Typhoon	110

Regatta Handicap Point Score

1	John Romanous Consulting Engineers	36 pts
2	Brydens Compensation Lawyers	52
3	V.K. Thomas	61
4	Gill	63 (countback)
5	Fluid Building Services	63 (countback)
6	Energy Australia	71
7	Infinite Property Solutions	80
8	AB Window Fashions	93 (countback)
9	Compo	93 (countback)
10	Sutech Building Consultants	96
11	Shead Property	98
12	Spatial Info	99
13	Fire Stopping	104 (countback)
14	Hotondo Homes	104 (countback)
15	Newcastle Herald	105

Part 5 of “The Conduct of 16ft Skiff Sailing in NSW” rules gives the full details on how each of these point scores is based (copy of these Rules is on the Skiff website www.skiffs.org.au).

For information, however, the individual point scores allow for dropping a skiff’s two worst races over the whole season (regardless of whether the skiff started in the race or not). The above points have been calculated including the two worst races for each skiff.

NSW Club Commodores Meeting

The Annual NSW Club Commodores Meeting will be held this year on **Saturday 16th June 2012** at the Manly Club. The meeting is scheduled to commence at Noon. All club Commodores and vice-Commodores are encouraged to attend for this annual meeting which has proved to be a very useful forum for sharing information and ideas amongst clubs.

“Recruiting the next generation” initiative

Following on from the Survey conducted last year, clubs have now been circulated with the data and results. The data has been sent to clubs through their Club Association Delegates with a request that each club provide the following feedback to the Association:

1. Three key messages that they got from the data;
2. What initiatives they will take going forward to encourage participation in the Class and increase numbers involved; and
3. What key things and initiatives the Association might take from the data.

It is hoped that all clubs will discuss this amongst their members and provide the requested feedback by mid-May so that it can be considered at the next Association meeting on **30th May** and also the Commodore’s Meeting on **16th June 2012**.

At the Association level we are conscious that our principal role is essentially to help co-ordinate 16ft sailing in NSW through organising interclub events and to help share and disseminate information amongst member clubs that might help the other member clubs to foster and promote 16ft skiff sailing. It is not the Association’s role to tell its member clubs how to conduct their own business. At the end of the day, it is up to each club to initiate, fund and promote sailing in their area based on their own local circumstances and conditions and in a way that will enable the club to survive and grow and promote 16ft skiff sailing.

13ft Skiff State Championships

The 2011/12 13ft Skiff State Championships was run over two weekends in mid to late March. The Championship was taken out by “*Bell Potter Securities*” sailed by Declan Reilly and Alex McFadyen from the Manly Club who finished on 4 points (1-2-3-1) after one drop. Second place went to “*Bridgestone-B-Select Annandale/Stanmore*” sailed by Natalie Greentree and Matt Stenta from the Manly Club, on a countback, on 7 points (2-1-4-6) from “*Sheads.com.au*” sailed by Harry West and Tom Potter from the Middle Harbour Club also on 7 points (3-3-1-4). Overall handicap honours went to “*Northside Air-conditioning*” sailed by Chris Stenta and Rob Stenta from the Manly Club.

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Hon. Secretary