



NOTICE OF RACE

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN STATE MINNOW CHAMPIONSHIPS

To be held Saturday 3rd – Monday 5th of March 2012.
at Shelley Sailing Club (Inc)
by The Minnow Association of WA
and the Shelley Sailing Club (Inc).

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing RRS 2009 – 2012, the prescriptions and special regulations of the AYF, the rules of the Minnow class (except as any of these are altered by the sailing instructions) and by the sailing instructions.

2. ALTERATIONS OF CLASS RULES (RESTRICTIONS)

The rules of the Minnow Association of Australia will be altered as follows:

2.1 Sail Quick Release

The restriction relating to mainsail fixture at the top of the mast will be altered to allow the incorporation and use of a Quick Release fitting.

2.2 Wind Indicators

The restriction relating to the non-use of Wind Indicators is altered to allow their use.

2.3 Boom Vang

Boom vang's are allowed to be utilised and the use of Deck Cleats is allowable.

2.4 Rudders & Centre Plates

The restrictions relating to the rudder and centreplate construction (made from plywood) are varied to allow timber, laminated timber and fibreglass products. A Fixed Rudder Box may also be utilised with drop in rudder blade. The blade must however be restrained from being able to fall out of rudder box in time of capsize.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Minnow class, registered with the Minnow Association of WA.

3.2 Eligible boats may enter on the attached Entry Form which shall be lodged with The Minnow Association of WA, accompanied by the required fee. Entries received prior to 17.00 hours on 24 February 2012 will qualify for a discounted entry fee of \$50.00. The preferred method of lodgement of entries is by email to paulsgonesailing@y7mail.com

3.3 Late entries may be lodged prior to 9.00 hours on Saturday 3rd March 2012, at Shelley Sailing Club (Inc), accompanied by the full entry fee of \$60. Entries received after 24 February, 2012 will not qualify for the discounted entry and will only receive regatta shirt depending on availability.

3.4 Eligibility for each division shall be as follows:

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- I. Novice: Any Minnow sailor competing in their first Minnow State Championship will be considered for inclusion in the Novice Division. Inclusion in this division will be at the discretion of the committee of the Minnow Association of WA and will be subject to review during the event.
- II. Open: All Minnow sailors who are not competing in the Novice Division will compete in the Open Division.
- III. Junior: Any Sailor under 12 years of age on the day of the first scheduled race of the regatta and who is not competing in the Novice Division.

4. FEES

Entry Fee is \$60 per boat. Entries received prior to 17.00 hours on Friday 24 February 2012 will qualify for discounted entry fee of \$50.

5. SCHEDULE AND SCORING

Saturday 3rd	9:00 am	Briefing
	10:00 am	Invitation Race
	1:00 pm	Heat 1 & 2 Back to back
Sunday 4th	9:00 am	Heat 3 & 4 Back to back
	1:00 pm	Heat 5 & 6 Back to back
Monday 5th	9:00 am	Heat 7 & 8 Re Sail if required
	1:00 pm	Presentations (approx. time)

- 5.1 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 5.2 When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boats score shall be the total of her race scores.
- 5.3 When from 6 to 7 races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 5.4 When 8 or more races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

6. MEASUREMENTS

- 6.1 Each boat shall hold a valid measurement certificate and shall be kept in compliance with the Minnow Class Rules throughout the regatta.
- 6.2 Measurements may be taken of hulls, equipment and sails at the discretion of the Organising Authority to confirm compliance with Minnow Class Rules.
- 6.3 Only one set of equipment shall be used. Changes to equipment shall only be made with approval of the Race Committee in compliance with the Sailing Instructions.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND COURSES

The Sailing Instructions and Courses will be available via email from March 1st 2012.
They will also be available at the Shelley Sailing Club (Inc) on Saturday 3rd March 2012.

8. VENUE

The Regatta site shall be the Shelley Sailing Club (Inc)

9. MEDIATION

Protests will be subject to mediation as detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

10. ENQUIRIES and requests for further information:

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