

Skippers Briefing

- Introduction / Welcome -
- eTxt System is operational now and some skippers have been added to get eTxt alerts and reminders. We are only intending to eTxt skippers of the boats that are entered in the particular series, so we aren't sending unnecessary txts as it will get expensive really fast.
- Season championship format is mostly the same and the friday night pursuit championship format remains the same as well, as this worked really well in the previous seasons.
- Interclub - reminder to enter on the pn website and following the meeting we will have laptops available to coach the less tech savvy skippers through the process.
- Youth Race - Bob Rowell has been working with naenae boxing academy and Billy Graham, they ran a successful fathers day cruising event, part fishing part sailing part launch driving. Closer to the time well will be asking for expressions of interest for this event to match youth and boats if you haven't organised something already.
 - This event has a wind upper limit of 15 kts and no spinnakers.
- Antarctic Challenge is a permanent fixture thanks to sailability and the use of the 303's. We won this event last season and we're keen to defend it. Keep an eye out for that and get involved and represent your club.
- 24Hr Race planning is underway, the format is still the same and the dates are confirmed for the 14th & 15th of March.
- Night Race - This is a great opportunity and training to prepare for the 24hr race and test the race tracker. There are 3 of these scheduled, one in december, one late Jan, and one middle of Feb.
- Island Bay / one of our long harbours is still on our radar considering the support it received last season although the weather didn't play ball that day. We are intending to run that again.
- Rum regatta - first weekend of December and the first race makes race 4 of the interclub series.
- Sail wellington regatta - 20th of Jan which is wellington anniversary day.
- We would really appreciate your season entry forms are filled in and handed in tonight if that possible.
 - And a reminder that on competing that form you are declaring that your boat meets the requirements of either Cat5 or PartC, whichever is applicable to your boat.
- Race fees have been increased this year alittle due to increasing costs.

- Meaning the entire season will cost you \$170
- Friday night pursuit series is now \$60
 - Other series if you prefer to pay as you go are outlined in the NOR which is on the website and in the Almanac.
- We won't be naming and shaming the boats this season who have not paid their race fees but reminder if you have not paid your entry is not accepted and you will not get a race result.
- Safety - Boat checks, we are intending to get neighbouring boats to check each other with our forms supplied or you may see someone from the sailing committee to quickly fire through the list with you.
 - BOB
- Starting procedure day, would skippers be interested in this? We would run a start procedure every 15 mins. We may incorporate this into one of the many cruising days on the calendar. Keep an eye out for that.
- Rules evening - If there's enough interest we may run another tech evening on the racing rules of sailing.
 - Reminder you can download the rules book from our website on the racing documents page.
 - Reminder that you can download the safety regulations from the LBYC website free of charge to self check your boat.
- Test Bore drilling - Brent
- Trackers for 24hr race and night races. - PredictWind
- Race officers - mentoring programme if your interested in getting involved but without the responsibility, working alongside the RO on the day.
 - Let us know if your interested in that.
- Kathy biosecurity talk

