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The Schneider Electric Regatta 2010

Incorporating

The Hunter 19 Class National Championship

Will be sailed at

Witbank Yacht and Aquatic Club on Witbank Dam

From

Friday 19th March to Monday 22nd March 2010

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2009-12.
- 1.2 The following prescriptions of South African Sailing will apply:
"The SA Sailing Requirements for National Championships".
- 1.3 Boats participating in this regatta shall conform to the Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS) 2009-12, the Class Rules of the Hunter Class Association, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4 RRS 44.2 will be changed as follows: so that all reference to "720deg turns" is replaced by "360 deg turns. The changes will appear in full, in the sailing instruction.

2 ADVERTISING

Advertising will be restricted to Category C. ISAF Regulation 20 applies. Boats may be required to display event advertising on the forward part of the hull. Yachts shall not display any advertising which is in conflict with that of any official event sponsor.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1** In accordance with the International Sailing Federation (ISAF) Regulation 19 (Eligibility Code), all competitors (Helmspersons and all other crew) shall be members in good standing of a Yacht Club affiliated to and in good standing with SA Sailing or their Member National Authority in the case of non-South Africans. The Yacht Club name and membership details shall be stated on the entry form or crew list. Current valid South African Sailing Membership Cards or similar proof of MNA Membership in cases of non-South Africans shall be presented at Registration. Helmspersons and all other crew shall be paid up members of the Hunter Class Association.
- 3.2** The regatta is open to all Hunter 19, Hunter 2000, Hunter Europa and Fast 19 boats all sailing as the above listed class.
- 3.3** Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and sending it, together with the required fee, to:

***The Regatta Secretary,
PO Box 147
Witbank 1035
Mpumalanga***

Fax: 086 618 1472

e-mail wyac1@mweb.co.za

By Friday 12th March 2010

- 3.4** In cases of electronic or faxed entry, confirmation of payment as outlined in 3.3 above shall clearly bear the ***Class, Entrants name & Sail No.*** and be faxed or e-mailed, together with the Entry, to the Regatta Secretary.
- 3.5** Late entries will be accepted under the following conditions:

in person and in cash at WYAC during registration no later than 09:00 on Saturday 20th March 2010 at the increased fee

4 FEES

- 4.1** Required fees are as follows:
The helmsman and crew shall be members of the Hunter Class Association

Hunter Class Fees R60.00 (Payable to the Class Association Only)
Entry Fee: R250.00. per boat
Late Entry (3.5) R300.00 per boat

- 4.2** Payment of Fees

Entry Fee payment may be made by cash, by cheque, bank deposit or electronically to the credit of the account detailed below.
In the case of deposits made to WYAC bank account the bank stamped deposit note or the printed electronic transaction note and the completed entry form shall be either mailed or transmitted by fax simultaneously to the Regatta secretary. The deposit document shall state the event and entrants name.

4.3 Bank Account details

Account name: Witbank Yacht Club.
Bank and Branch: ABSA Bank - Witbank.
Branch code: 50 37 50
Account No: 4052154940

4.4 Other Fees:

All Entry Fees and Class subscriptions shall be paid prior to the close of Registration. Failure to meet this requirement will result in the affected yacht being recorded as Did Not Compete until such time as the required payment/s are made. This changes rule A11 (DNC)

5 SCHEDULE

5.1 Registration:

Friday 19 th March 2010	From 09:00 to 17:00
Saturday 20 th March 2010	From 08:00 to 09:00

5.2 Measurement and inspection:

Saturday 13 th March 2010	From 10:00 to 17:00
Sunday 14 th March 2010	From 10:00 to 17:00
Friday 19 th March 2010	From 10:00 to 17:00

Or by appointment with class measurers at WYAC Monday 15th to Thursday 18th March 2010

5.3 Dates of racing:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Racing</i>
<i>Saturday 20th March</i>	<i>Warning Signal Not before 11:00</i>
<i>Sunday 21st March</i>	<i>Warning Signal Not before 09:00</i>
<i>Monday 22nd March</i>	<i>Warning Signal Not Before 09:00</i>

5.4 Number of races:

A maximum of 10 races will be sailed

5.5 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race of each day is described above in 5.3

6 MEASUREMENTS

Each boat shall produce a valid measurement / rating certificate. In addition spot measurements may be taken at any stage during the regatta.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available from the Regatta Secretary on completion of registration formalities.

8 VENUE

Racing will take place on Witbank dam adjacent to the clubhouse shore

9 THE COURSES

The diagrams in Addendum A show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

11 SCORING

11.1 Low Point System of Appendix A4.1 will apply.

11.2 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

- 11.3**
- (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When from 5 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - (c) When 10 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her races excluding her two worst scores.

12 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP REQUIREMENTS

In order to qualify as a National Class Championship the following criteria shall be satisfied:

- * A minimum of ten valid entries have been received no later than the closing time for entries one hour before the scheduled starting time of the first race
- * At least five finishers in any two races of the series.
- * At least four races completed.

13 SAFETY

13.1 Yachts shall comply with their class buoyancy and safety requirements.

13.2 All competitors shall wear a personal buoyancy aid capable of supporting a 5 kg steel weight at all times while afloat in a yacht when signaled to do so with code fag 'Y'.

13.3 Wet or dry suits do not constitute adequate buoyancy!

14 SUPPORT BOATS

Coach or individual support boats shall be marked with A Yellow code 'Q' flag and remain no less than 150m from areas where boats are racing, between the Preparatory Signal and the last competitor finishing the race. Failure to comply shall result in action from the Protest Committee.

15 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

16 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

17 RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

18 PRIZES

Prizes will be given at the discretion of the race committee and the Hunter Class Association, but as follows as entries allow:

H19: SAS National Championship 1st, 2nd, 3rd:

H19 Handicap 1st, 2nd, 3rd.

H19 Youth 1st, 2nd, 3rd

H19 Women 1st, 2nd, 3rd.

H19 Development boats

Inter-Club Trophy: Addition of 5 top club scores Reg Beavit Memorial Trophy

19 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See **RRS 4**, Decision to Race. Neither the Organizing Authority nor its officials or other persons associated with the organization of the event will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

20 INSURANCE

Each participating boat is encouraged to carry sufficient valid third-party liability insurance to cover any liability arising during the event.

21 FURTHER INFORMATION

Camping on the grounds at WYAC is free of charge to regatta entrants.

Braai facilities are available.

Catering will be provided at minimum cost for breakfast, lunch & dinner.

The Hunter Class Association dinner will be held on Saturday 20th of March and is sponsored by Schneider.

The Hunter Class Association AGM will be held on Sunday 21st of March.

For further information please contact

The Regatta Secretary NSA: Daphne Kasselmann. 086 536 6729

The Regatta Secretary WYAC: Janet Emery. 072 590 0907

The Sailing Secretary WYAC: Chris Emery. 083 639 0226