



67th SKATE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

30 December 2025 – 08 January 2026

Organising Authority:

Ceduna Sailing Club & Skate Sailing Association of Australia Incorporated

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The 2025-2028 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the Prescriptions of Australian Sailing ([Download a Copy](#))
- 1.2 The Australian Sailing Special Regulations - Part 2 for Off the Beach Boats will apply. ([Download a Copy](#))
- 1.3 The Special Rules of the Skate Sailing Association of Australia (updated July 2025) will apply. ([Download a Copy](#))

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available no later than the Competitors' Briefing.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The official series Notice Board will be located in the Ceduna Sailing Club, on the whiteboard near the entrance with notices also posted on the series page on the Skate class website at <https://skatesailingaustralia.org/calendar.html>
- 3.2 From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Skate class registered for the current racing season.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the Entry Form available for download from the Skate Sailing Association website and submitting it with the required Entry Fee by Monday 01 December 2025.
- 4.3 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.4 Late entries will be accepted after 01 December 2025 at the discretion of the Organising Authority and may incur the required Late Entry Fee.

5 FEES

- 5.1 Required Fees are as follows:

Fee	Price
Entry Fee (until 01 December 2025)	\$450
Late Entry Fee (after 01 December 2025)	\$450



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6 ADVERTISING

- 6.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.

7 SCHEDULE

- 7.1 Registration: Monday 30 December 2024 from 10am.
7.2 Dates of Racing:

Day/Date	Event
Tuesday 30 December 2025	Competitors Briefing Heat 1 / Invitation Race
Wednesday 31 December	Heat 2
Thursday 01 January 2026	Lay Day
Friday 02 January	Heat 3
Saturday 03 January	Heat 4
Sunday 04 January	Lay Day
Monday 05 January	SSAA AGM Heat 5
Tuesday 06 January	Heat 6
Wednesday 07 January	Lay Day
Thursday 08 January	Heat 7 Presentation Night

- 7.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for Heat 1 is 13:00.
7.4 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 16:00.

8 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1 Each boat shall be weighed and measured, and have any new sails measured, by approved measurers, in its Home State prior to the regatta.
8.2 Boats may be weighed or measured, and sails measured during the regatta at the discretion of the Race Committee.

9 VENUE

- 9.1 Refer to Attachment A for the location of Ceduna Sailing Club and the racing area.

10 COURSES

- 10.1 A combination of windward-leeward and triangle type courses will be used.



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11 SCORING

- 11.1 RRS Appendix A will be used
- 11.2 Five races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.3 When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 11.4 When six or seven races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

12 RISK STATEMENT

- 12.1 RRS 3 - DECISION TO RACE - states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.
- 12.2 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

13 INSURANCE

- 13.1 Competitors are required to have insurance with third party liability cover of up to \$10M to cover risks arising while the competitor is participating in the regatta, whether ashore or afloat.

14 PRIZES

- 14.1 Perpetual trophies will be awarded as follows:
 - National Champion - Swan Brewery Perpetual Trophy
 - Runner-up - Chris Oliver Perpetual Trophy
 - Invitation Race Winner – E Elliot Perpetual Shield
 - Junior National Champion – Doug Jeffkins Perpetual Trophy
 - Veteran National Champion – Stewart Marine Design Perpetual Trophy
 - Outstanding Crew – Donated by the Shiner Family
 - Handicap National Champion – Lyons, Tate, Olde and Waddell Perpetual Trophy
 - Worst Hard Luck - Barry Scott Perpetual Trophy.



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14.2 Prizes will be awarded as follows:

- Skipper and crew of the first four boats on scratch
- Skipper and crew of the first boat on handicap
- Veteran Champion skipper and crew
- Invitation race winning skipper and crew
- Skipper and crew of the first three placed boats on scratch and first on handicap for each heat
- Encouragement award for Crews under the age of 21 yrs on 1st January during the Series.

15 FURTHER INFORMATION

For additional information please visit the Skate Sailing Association website

<https://skatesailingaustralia.org/index.html>

or contact:

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Attachment A – Regatta Venue

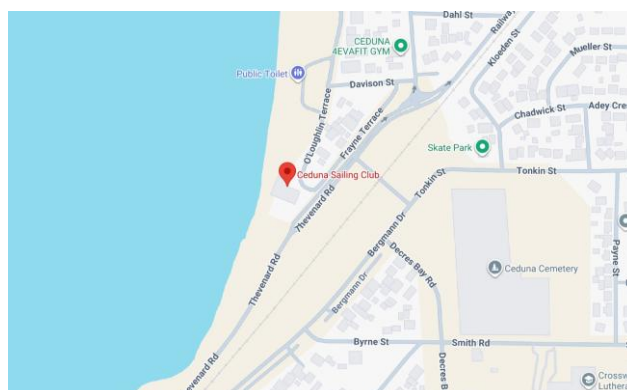
The address and contact details of Ceduna Sailing Club are as follows:

Address: 1 O'Loughlin Terrace, Ceduna. SA.

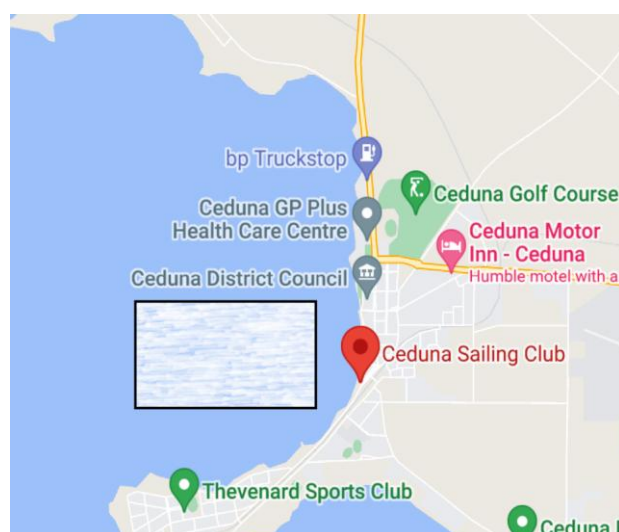
Phone: 08 8625 2788

Visit [Ceduna Sailing Club Facebook page](#) for additional information

Contact: Kylie Blackham 0427 252 385



The racing area will be in the waters of Murat Bay as depicted in this diagram.





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Attachment B – Additional Information

SHIRTS

All competitors will receive a 67th Skate Nationals polo shirt, and the shirts will also be available for purchase. Intending competitors will be contacted early in November to confirm shirt sizes.

BOAT STORAGE AND TRAILER PARKING

Storage for boats, trailers and equipment will be available on lawns opposite the club.

Boats, equipment and trailers are left at the club at the competitor's own risk.

SOCIAL CALENDAR

The proposed social events are as follows:

Day/Date	Event
Tuesday 30 December 2025	Welcome Dinner BBQ
Wednesday 31 December	New Year's Eve Ceduna Foreshore Hotel/Motel
Thursday 01 January 2025	Skippers vs Crews Lawn Bowls Ceduna Bowls Club
Sunday 04 January	Lay Day - TBA
Wednesday 07 January	Lay Day - TBA
Thursday 08 January	Presentation Dinner Ceduna Foreshore Hotel/Motel

RACE DAY LUNCHES

Catering will be available from the Ceduna Sailing Club each day of the titles.