

Inclusive Classes Regatta



Update March 2024

The Inclusive Classes Regatta being held at Middle Harbour Yacht Club is rapidly approaching. Online entry has been extended to Thursday 28 March for the regatta being conducted from March 29 to April 1 over the Easter weekend.

Thirty entries have been received so far and NSW sailors will have plenty of competition in all classes with Victorian sailors currently dominating entries in the 2.4mR and Liberty classes. Tasmania's Chris Symonds and Manuela Klinger – Chris the current Australian Para Sailor of the Year and together the 2022 National Champions - will be racing in the Hansa 303 two-person competition. Three Kiwis will race in the Hansa 303 one-person division.

Entry Deadline Extended

The deadline for entering the event has been extended to Thursday 28 March.

Free SailPass for Sailability Participants and Volunteers

For any participants and volunteers at any Australian Sailability program who do not have an Australian Sailing Number, MHYC is offering a free SailPass for all regatta dates. To register for a free SailPass, go to <https://www.revolutionise.com.au/mhyachtclub/rego/start/> and select an Inclusive Regatta SailPass \$0 for all race days.

Limited Charter Boats Available

A limited number of Hansa charter boats are still available for competitors in the Inclusive Classes Regatta who are travelling from outside the Sydney Metro area. Information is available on the [regatta webpage](#). Applications for charter boats close at 5pm on Tuesday 26 March.

Boat Transfers

Two C-Cranes will be available to transfer sailors in and out of boats. If you will be using the C-Cranes, please bring your own transfer slings.

Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be published early next week including a more detailed schedule. A Competitor Briefing will be held at the club on Friday at 1600hrs. The fleets will sail in two groups enabling competitors in the Hansa 303 to sail in the one-person and two-person divisions.

Friday, 29 March 2024	1000-1600	Registration
	1000-1600	Para Classification (Commodore's Room)
	1100-1600	Training
	1600	Competitor Briefing (Harbourview)
Saturday, 30 March 2024	1100-1330	Fleet A Racing - 2.4mR & Hansa 303-2P
	1330-1600	Fleet B Racing - Liberty & Hansa 303-1P
Sunday, 31 March 2024	1100-1330	Fleet B Racing - Liberty & Hansa 303-1P
	1330-1600	Fleet A Racing - 2.4mR & Hansa 303-2P
	1800	Inclusive Sailing Forum (Harbourview)
Monday, 1 April 2024	1100-1300	Fleet A Racing - 2.4mR & Hansa 303-2P
	1300-1500	Fleet B Racing - Liberty & Hansa 303-1P
	1630 approx.	Prizegiving (Harbourview)

Para Classification Bookings for Friday 29 March

Unless athletes are already included on the [World Sailing Para Classification Master List](#), Para Classification for athletes with physical impairments will be available at the venue from 10am on Friday 29 March. This is free of charge but please register for classification ASAP by emailing a request and providing your contact details to parasailing@sailing.org.au.

New Classification Opportunity for Athletes with Intellectual Impairment

As announced in the November update, Australian Sailing have approved a simplified method of para classifications for this athlete group. Australian Sailing Provisional AWII Classification will be first used at the Inclusive Classes Regatta at Easter. Sailors with intellectual impairment who would like a classification should check the information in the previous updates on the [event webpage](#).

Inclusive Sailing Forum on Sunday 31 March

An Inclusive Sailing Forum will be held in the MHYC Harbourview (members bar) after racing on Sunday 31 March. Please join us to hear about the work of the Australian Sailing Inclusion, Diversity and Equity Advisory Group, the Para World Sailing Committee and join in the discussion about how we can make sailing more inclusive. Everyone is welcome, so please save the date and come along.

Race Management Volunteers Welcome

We are looking for a few extra race management volunteers to help out on the race management and safety boats. If you can help out on one or all the race days, please email sailing.manager@mhyc.com.au.

Accessible Car Parking

MHYC will be making a limited number of accessible car spaces available for competitors with disabled parking permits. To reserve a space, please email sailing.manager@mhyc.com.au with your vehicle registration.

About the Inclusive Classes Regatta

Invited classes are Hansa 303 (one person & two person), Hansa Liberty & International 2.4mR.

The regatta program includes arrival, training and classification on the Friday followed by a Competitors Briefing. There will be three races for every fleet scheduled each day on the Saturday, Sunday and Monday. It is likely the fleets will be broken into two groups with the first pair of classes getting underway at 11am. Racing will be on Middle Harbour in the vicinity of Hunters Bay, Balmoral.

An Inclusive Sailing Forum will be held on the Sunday evening.

The regatta will comprise the 2.4mR NSW Championship and Hansa Class NSW Championships for 2024. In addition, the regatta will be the inaugural NSW Para Sailing Championships. For this event, the results of eligible para sailors will be extracted from the open fleet results.

More Information

All regatta information will be published on the Regatta Webpage at <https://mhyc.com.au/sailing/regattas-championships/inclusive-classes-regatta>

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