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# The 2014 Interislander Optimist Challenge Incorporating the Port Marlborough Starling Championship.

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February to Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2014

## Picton, Marlborough



### OPTIMISTS

The Interislander is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ranking Regatta of the 2013 – 14 season. North Sails are proudly supporting the Interislander and sailors with some MAJOR prizes this year. Thank you North Sails!

### STARLINGS

This February we have an exciting new event encouraging technical evolution in Starlings.

The Port Marlborough Starling Championship will be held in conjunction with the Optimists so that a wide age group of travelling sailors are catered for in Picton. This year, and in subsequent regattas, the **Port Marlborough Starling Championship** will encourage technical evolution in the Starling Class by allowing the use of carbon masts, and sails of different fabric or from different sail lofts, to win the event and the major prizes.

### COOK STRAIT FERRY

Great news- The Interislander already has a replacement ferry on its way to New Zealand to replace the Aratere which lost its propeller a month ago! New booking for February sailings will be able to be made in the next few days. Remember there are great deals for Interislander regatta participants- see the QCYC website for details: [www.qcyc.org.nz](http://www.qcyc.org.nz)

### ENTERTAINMENT

The famous "Taste of Marlborough" will again be run on the Friday night. Come along and enjoy the best Food and Wine Marlborough has to offer.