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Dear Sailors and Parents

Winger Subaru Auckland Champs - enter now - late fee extension

Kohimarama Yacht Club is hosting the second of the NZIODA Optimist ranking regattas 25-27th January. Enter now - no late fee until Tuesday 21st January. Visit www.kyc.org.nz to enter. Entry in this event will automatically qualify you for the Auckland Anniversary Day regatta.

1 2014 Interislander Optimist Challenge - Ranking regatta

Entries are open for the 2014 Interislander Optimist Challenge from Feb 21st to 23^{rd} at Queen Charlotte Yacht Club.

The Interislander is the 3rd Optimist Ranking Regatta of the 2013-14 season. North Sails are proudly supporting the Interislander and sailors with some MAJOR prizes this year. The regatta will also incorporate the Port Marlborough Starling Champs on the 22nd & 23rd of Feb. Visit www.optimist.org.nz for the NOR and latest details on the ferry service

2014 Toyota NZIODA National Optimist Championship



Entries for the 2014 Toyota NZIODA National Optimist Championships to be held at Manly SC, 18-22nd April are open. Visit www.optimist.org.nz or www.sportsground.co.nz/2014optimistnationals/ for the NOR and entry forms. The regatta web site also has plenty of information on accommodation and other useful tips.















Don't forget the Pre-Nationals (12-13 April) as well as the OWNZ team's racing (16-17 April).

Australian Nationals

Congratulations to all 14 sailors who competed, the fleet size alone was a challenge and the sailing tested all levels of skills. The kiwis managed four places inside the top 10 with Lewis Anderson 2^{nd} , Craig Keenan 3^{rd} , Scott McKenzie 5^{th} and Pat Morgan 9th the open fleet

Eastern Beach Optimist Clinic

The 2014 Optimist Clinic was held Jan 13-17th at Eastern Beach with a good range of sailing conditions. Plenty of new skills learnt, a great time in the J24's and a good regatta to end with Congratulations to Josh Armit 1^{st} , Lewis Anderson 2^{nd} and Jonathon Weston 3rd. All sailors and NZIODA are indebted to Terry Nicholas and Sam McKenzie the main organisers behind the event as well as the team of parent helpers.

NZIODA Team's Racing.

Seven teams entered the competition this year and they were greeted with great team's racing winds on Saturday 18th. Wakatere Boating Club retained the trophy with the top team of Jono Nicholas, Jono Weston, Xanthe Copeland and Robbie McCutcheon coming through unbeaten. Murray's Bay was 2nd and Kohi Red 3rd. Thanks to Kohi Yacht Club for hosting the 2014 event. We need to encourage more teams (clubs) into entering, so put your thinking caps on as to how best we are to do this.

Important 2014 diary dates

January

 Winger Subaru Auckland Champs. NZIODA Ranking Regatta. 25-27 January -Kohimarama YC.

February

- Junior Sail Auckland 8-9th February Kohi YC
- Oki 24hour race. Lake Pupuke. Hosted by Murrays Bay SC
- Interislander Optimist Challenge. NZIODA Ranking Regatta. 21-23 February -Queen Charlotte YC.
- Tauranga Regatta 22-23 February















March

- South Island Optimist Champs 22-23 March Naval Point YC
- Maraetai Centreboard Regatta 29th March

April

- NZIODA Pre-Nationals 12-13 April Manly SC
- OWNZ Trust Team's Racing 16-17 April Manly SC
- Toyota NZIODA National Championships 18-22nd April Manly SC.

NZIODA Rig Racks

NZIODA intend to Tender their rig racks and all clubs (or individuals) interested in the racks are invited to request a tender document by e-mailing angus.h@xtra.co.nz

NZIODA Fund Raiser

A reminder to all ticket sellers to please return ticket butts and funds to Russell Weston; 10 Aramoana Ave, Devonport, Auckland by 31st January 2014.

NZIODA Registration

Remember all Green and Open Fleet sailors attending an NZIODA regatta (the next one is the Auckland Champs) you must join NZIODA. To register go to the NZIODA web www.optimist.org.nz and click on Club Hub

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