

June 2015 e-NEWS

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Dear Sailors and Parents,

Final Travelling Teams

The final NZIODA travelling teams are as follows:

Worlds: Sebastian Lardies, Sam Bacon, Craig Keenan, William Shapland and Sam Morgan. Euros: Oliver Cowley, Ben Paterson, Alice Haslett, Francesco Kayrouz and Campbell Stanton. NAMS: Robbie McCutcheon, Zachary Scheiwe, Albert Stanley, Josh Berry, Will Wright and Harry Corston.

Asian/Oceania's: James Barnett, Nina Mannering, Sophia Fyfe, Alex Lee, Gavin Ninnes, Luke Cashmore, Seb Menzies, Will Hadfield, Elliot Bacon and Rebecca Morgan.

The regattas are being held as follows:

Worlds: 25 August- 5 September in Dziwnów. Poland. Euros: 17 July - 24 July in Pwllheli, Wales. NAMS: 5 July-12 July in English Harbour, Antigua. Asian/Oceania's: 23 October-31 October in Doha, Qatar. Sail fast to all the teams!

Winter training and sailing

The NZIODA training squad has been training hard in Auckland over autumn. The squad contains a large number of sailors from outside of Auckland and they are all very grateful to the Auckland based parents for billeting and ferrying them about. A large vote of thanks goes to Mark Shapland, Frankie Lardies, Angela Berry and their respective teams for organising a fabulous Camp Bentzon. It was a highly successful camp where much was learnt and lasting friendships forged.

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The 2015 Auckland Junior Winter Sprint Series continues through June, July and August. The upcoming dates and location are as follows: 20 June at Murrays Bay (note change of venue), 27 June at Wakatere (remember to stay on for the fundraiser), 18 July at Kohimarama and 1 Aug at





Murrays Bay



(Camp Bentzon 2015)

<u>Fundraising</u>

There is a travelling teams quiz night on 27 June 2015 at Wakatere beginning at 7.30pm (see the flyer at the end of the newsletter). This will be a fantastic night so get a team together and show off your intellectual prowess. There will also be a silent auction on the night – sponsored/donated items gratefully appreciated. The tickets are \$35. Susanne Ritzenhoff is coordinating the event, please contact her on susiritze@gmail.com.

<u>Sailing in Australia</u>

There is a fantastic opportunity for all Opti sailors to train and sail in two Brisbane regattas in



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the July school holidays. The regattas are during Queensland Youth Week <u>http://www.qldyouthweek.com/</u>and Sail Brisbane <u>http://www.sailbrisbane.com.au/</u>. The plan is for New Zealand sailors to travel as a squad (parents optional) and sail against Australia's best sailors. The squad will leave on Thursday 2nd July and return Monday 13th July with an estimated cost of between \$2k to \$3k per sailor. This will be a great opportunity for any sailor wanting overseas racing experience both those going overseas with a travelling team and those who are not in a travelling team this year. If you would like to go you need to contact Mark Shapland -MarkS@bigchill.co.nz as soon as possible. There is a good looking squad coming together. Don't miss out these opportunities really do make a difference to the sailors skills.

<u>Sailing in China</u>

NZ Opti Sailors have once again been invited to the

Qingdao International Optimist Sailing Camp & Regatta 2015

This sailing camp and regatta is on from 6th -13th August 2015 and is very cost effective as the organising authority is providing free entry, boat charter, accommodation, meals, and local transportation. Six places are available – first in, first served. If you would like to know more contact Adam Hadfield <adam@momentumsports.co.nz.

What about next season?

The 2015/2016 seasons ranking regattas are as follows:

- North Island Champs: 13-15 November 2015 at Napier SC.
- Auckland Champs: 30 January -1 February 2016 at Maraetai SC.
- Interislander Champs: 19 February 21 February 2016 at QCYC.
- NZIODA Nationals: 25 March 29 March 2016 at KYC.

Also:

- Pre-nats: 6 February 8 February 2016 at KYC
- Teams racing: 7 February 2016 at KYC.

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Please join us for a wonderful fundraising event with great company, Saturday 27 June 2015 at 7:30 PM - Wakatere Boating Club Tickets please contact Susanne Ritzenhoff - susiritze@gmail.com or 027 307 5070











