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THE WARREN JONES
International Youth Regatta

Monday 29 January to Friday 2 February 2018

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hosted by Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club
in conjunction with Royal Perth Yacht Club

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Welcome to all participants and supporters for the 18th annual Warren Jones International Youth Regatta which returns to Perth City Waters in 2018. Showcasing our sport at the footsteps of the city in front of Elizabeth Quay will again be spectacular, providing for some exciting sailing.

Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club is delighted to once again host this event. This regatta is often thought of as an event which aims to provide competitors with the opportunity to gain the experience and competitiveness necessary to advance to the world stage. There is strong evidence that the Warren Jones International Youth Regatta has achieved that aim, and more.

It is pleasing to see a mixture of Local, National and International teams. We are fortunate to have Sam Gilmour and his Neptune Racing team return to compete. Currently ranked 5th in the world, Neptune Racing have already proved themselves on the World stage. The Warren Jones Foundation Trustees must be very thrilled and rightfully proud of the positive impact this event has had on match racing in Western Australia.

The very high standard of sailing is equally matched by the standard of race management and umpiring. My congratulations go to those volunteers selected to participate in this event. They combine with the entertaining commentators who bring the excitement and tactical manoeuvres in real-time to the watching crowd of supporters.

I invite you to enjoy the hospitality and facilities of Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club and I wish all competitors the very best with their racing.

Dean McAullay
Commodore

With the Warren Jones Regatta now well into its second decade, the fruits of the vision created by the original organizing group back in 2002 are now clearly evident.

History has shown that past winners of this event have gone on to great heights. Four previous competitors are now ranked by World Sailing amongst the top 10 match racing skippers worldwide. Torvar Mirsky, together with Lachy Gilmour, Cameron Seagreen and Damian Garbowski are the reigning world champions on the World Match Racing Tour. Of the 18 helmsmen who qualified for the finals of the World Match Racing Tour 2017 nine were Warren Jones Regatta alumni. Others were key members of America’s Cup crews at the 2017 defence in Bermuda.

In addition to those past competitors who have had the opportunity and privilege of competing in the America’s Cup and other top level international sailing events, it is also pleasing to see some of the early skippers and crews now making their mark as business leaders, building on the teamwork and leadership skills developed through participating in the Warren Jones Regatta.

On behalf of the Warren Jones Foundation, many thanks to the volunteers and committees, donors and sponsors who work tirelessly to make the event the success that it is. You have all done a remarkable job.

Good luck to the competing teams for 2018.

Ron Packer
Chairman
Warren Jones Foundation

Warren Jones of “Australia II” fame died suddenly on 17th May, 2002. His sudden and untimely death was a bitter blow to his many friends throughout Australia and around the World.

Warren made a fabulous contribution to local and international yachting with perhaps his greatest achievement occurring in September 1983, when as Alan Bond’s lieutenant, he led a group of Australian yachtsmen to victory to win the 1983 Americas Cup from the New York Yacht Club for the first time in 132 years of competition. This feat brought Australia to the forefront of international sailing competition.

Warren also became one of Australia’s leading businessmen and community leaders and played a big role in the development of young sailors.

He had a down to earth nature, enormous amounts of energy, a competitive spirit, great courage and determination to reach his goals and was always ready to give the younger generation his words of wisdom and moral support.

The aim of this yachting regatta, named in Warren Jones’ memory and started by his many friends and associates, is to give a new generation of yachtsmen and women the chance to live their dreams – just as Warren did his.

The Warren Jones Regatta trophy was gifted by the “Australia II” Jubilee Committee who was awarded the New York Yacht Club’s trophy for the event, named after Warren Jones, in a similar way that the America syndicate in 1851 was awarded their 100 Guinea’s Cup now called the ‘America’s Cup’ for future generations to race for.

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# 2018 REGATTA PROGRAMME

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<td>Wrap up Party at the Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club</td>
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- **Main Event Information Desk** (Saturday 27 January - Friday 2 February, 2018)
- **Tackers Activation** (Saturday 27 & Sunday 28 January 2018)
- **Event Village & Optimial Spectating Area** (Monday 29 January - Friday 2 February 2018)
- **The Rooftop by the Lucky Shag** (Daily Morning Briefings, Pro Am Race, Opening Function, City of Perth Women on Water)
- **Warren Jones Regatta Course Area** (Monday 29 January - Friday 2 February 2018)
In June of 2017 I raced for Oracle Team USA in the 35th America's Cup held in Bermuda. To race these technologically advanced and physically demanding yachts, sailors had to push themselves to continually improve, whilst remaining committed to achieving team goals.

Seeking out the highest level of competition available is the only way to improve. Shortly after losing the America's cup to Emirates Team New Zealand, Oracle Team USA Founder, Larry Ellison, assembled our whole team to share a few words with us. After reminiscing about the team's past successes, Larry went on to say that when competing against the very best in the world, you will not always win. At the time these words did little to detract from the bitter disappointment felt at our loss, however, on reflection, I have gained a great deal from these words.

In my early twenties, I started my match racing career in Perth. At that time the highest level of competition available to me was the Warren Jones International Youth Regatta. This regatta is the only pathway available for young local sailors to race with six crew in an international competition.

The first Warren Jones Regatta that I sailed in we did not win. We had a team of accomplished sailors, but lacked experience working together. We often crossed into each other's roles, all talking at the same time or nobody talking at all. This was a bunch of champion sailors that had not yet evolved into an effective team.

Three years later I was part of a winning team. This team arguably had less sailing talent than the team of three years ago, but that year we were the bench mark for preparedness and teamwork. Combining our individual efforts transferred into efficient manoeuvres, boat speed and ultimately winning the regatta.

In the 35th America's Cup I raced along-side Kinley Fowler, 10 years earlier we raced together in the afore mentioned Warren Jones winning team. Since racing Foundation 36 yachts around the swan river we have gone on to race a multitude of boats with different professional teams. Despite how varied sailing has become, the importance of working well as part of a team has not changed. The Warren Jones International Youth Regatta challenges young sailors to apply their knowledge, develop skills and create their own high-performing team. For many participants, like myself, developing these skills at a young age has prepared us for future successes.

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12:00 - Pre Lunch Drinks
12:30 - Commencement of Luncheon featuring a Guest Speaker
15:30 - Conclusion of Luncheon

POWER BOAT CRUISE
15:30 - Board spectator vessels and depart to Perth Waters
17:00 - Approximate Time of Finals Racing
18:00 - Optional disembarkment at Elizabeth Quay
19:00 - Disembarkment at Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club

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