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# Winter "Chilli Dog" Series!



*First race  
Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> January*

*Two races back-to-back  
First race around 11.00*

- Exactly the same format as last year!
- Format will be Two races Back-to Back;
  - First Race a Personal Handicap Pursuit
  - Second Race a General Handicap Mass start race (scored using Personal Handicaps)
- Prizes for Combined Results; 20 Races, 10 to count.
- "One less than Normal" races to Qualify.
- Handicap Race target duration approximately 30 - 45 minutes.
- Average laps calculation will apply for General Handicap
- **Minimum duty crew needed is 4 people.** Please sign in for your duty **BEFORE** signing in for any racing.
- SCSC winter sailing constraints apply (i.e. full wet suit or dry suit)
- Personal handicaps based on 2014 to 2018 performances.
- Hot soup will be served after racing.

January 6 <sup>th</sup>	Races 1 & 2
January 13 <sup>th</sup>	Races 3 & 4
January 20 <sup>nd</sup>	Races 5 & 6
January 27 <sup>th</sup>	Races 7 & 8
February 3 <sup>th</sup>	Races 9 & 10
February 10 <sup>th</sup>	Races 11 & 12
February 17 <sup>th</sup>	Races 13 & 14
February 24 <sup>th</sup>	Races 15 & 16
March 3 <sup>th</sup>	Races 17 & 18
March 10 <sup>th</sup>	Races 19 & 20 & prize giving.

## SCSC Winter Racing – The “Chilli Dog” series 2018 details.

- Two races on a Sunday morning, back-to-back.
- Format will be Two races Back-to Back;
  - First Race a Personal Handicap Pursuit, ending at 11:45
  - Second Race a General Handicap using the same Personal Handicaps
- Average laps will always apply for the General Handicap race.
- Prizes will be awarded for all qualifying helms / crews, plus other prizes as deemed necessary to celebrate extraordinary performance.
- Race duration (second race) will target a maximum of 30 minutes for the leading boat.
- Participants (helms and crews) must do at least one duty or forfeit qualification. Minimum duty crew needed is 4 people (2 officiating, 2 on safety cover). **No duty crew .... No racing!**
- An extra day of duties made to ensure the racing goes ahead *may* be covered by average points but only at the discretion of the coordinators.
- Race Hut starts. The PH will use the large number display board – no hoots except the final one! Don't be late. (some ROs may give hoots for some fleets – not guaranteed).
- SCSC winter sailing constraints apply (i.e. full wet suit or dry suit).
- Personal handicaps based on 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 & 2018 results will be posted in the clubhouse each week. Go when your number disappears.
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- Should a helm choose to sail more than one class, separate results will apply for each boat.
- Hot soup and rolls will be served after racing.

### Notes on Personal handicapping for the Chilli Dog series:

- Personal handicaps have been calculated based on the Sailwave results from 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018. For the regular sailors, the Persons Handicap (PH) is adjusted by small increments using a moving average process.
- Updates to Personal handicaps will be avoided as much as possible – except where a new sailor has arrived with a daft number due to lack of previous racing at the club.
- The PH values are thought to be accurate for consistently good sailors; in the case of the more erratic sailors the PH used will be based on their “good” performances rather than their average.
- For new and occasional sailors with little history to go on, a certain amount of judgment has been used to make an educated guess at a PH. The second race each week should help to point out any errors, adjustments during the series will be made as required. Check each week for adjustments to your start time/number.
- Sailors with no history will be assumed to be at the level of the best in class until statistics proves otherwise.
- A list will be posted in the clubhouse and on available online facilities giving the start time for every Sailor with slowest expected participants starting around 11:00 and the fastest at around 11:15.
- A mass finish time of 11:45 for everybody – please note your position and agree who is just ahead and just behind.
- If the conditions allow all participants to sail to their best abilities, then all boats should be in a large huddle at the end of the race; it may prove very difficult for the Race Officer to work out the finishing order so please assist in noting down your order against the people around you. On an upwind race try to sail back to a common line to help establish the final order. Then sail promptly back to the race hut for the second race – **do not wait to be counted by the safety boat, instead mutually agree an order (ties are acceptable).**
- Any protests to be addressed to the coordinators for their amusement.

