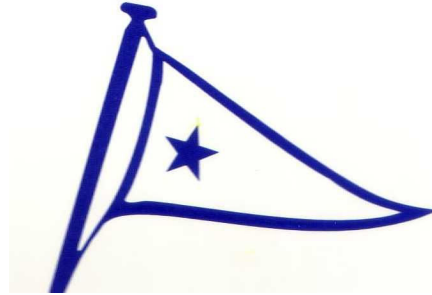


East Fremantle Yacht Club (Inc.)

PETRA STREET, EAST FREMANTLE



**SUBMISSION TO THE
AUSTRALIAN SHARPIE ASSOCIATION
(WA DIVISION)
TO HOST THE
65TH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
2007-2008**



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1. Submission Highlights

Our Club is enthusiastic and totally committed to the prospect of hosting your Association's 2007/2008 National Championships.

On a rotational basis, it would appear our Club is next in line to host a WA National Championship on the Swan River, which would further strengthen the healthy growth and support our Club has demonstrated with the Sharpie class.

We have strong support from our membership base of 1,700, which includes Centreboard fleets, Keelboat fleets and a Power Boat fleet.

The Melville Waters Course has an excellent history for wind conditions during the time of the year the Championship is scheduled, and is a good expanse of water suitable for the number of yachts expected to compete.

Our Clubhouse has excellent function facilities and is large enough to cater for all Regatta requirements. Our Food and Beverage staff is very experienced in catering for large groups.

Our Administration Office is fully staffed, fully computerised and is therefore a very capable support unit for the Regatta.

We have economical unit style accommodation and quality hotel accommodation in close proximity to the Club.

We have a very experienced race management team and are very confident in our ability to run a successful Championship. We have demonstrated on many occasions our ability to work with Associations to achieve successful regattas.

We are prepared to underwrite the entire Regatta on behalf of the Association.

2. **On Water Support**

2.1 **RACING AREA**

We propose the Series is sailed on an Olympic course on Melville Water, which is the area frequently used to sail National and State Championships. The close proximity of the race course makes the Series very accessible to spectator craft.

2.2 **PROXIMITY**

Our rigging area is less than half an hours' sailing time from the race course. We also have boats available to tow competitors to the race course if conditions necessitate this action.

2.3 **OFFICIAL CRAFT**

We can provide the following **official craft**:-

- a. Start/Finish craft.
- b. Minimum of three club rescue crafts and two from other Clubs.
- c. Course laying craft/lead boat.
- d. Boats stationed at rounding marks, which can also provide back up rescue if required.

2.4 **SPECTATOR CRAFT**

Spectator craft will be provided to accommodate Association and Club officials, sponsors and spectators.

2.5 **RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

Common **radio communications** (27mghz) will be provided between official craft and onshore facilities.

2.6 **RACE COMMITTEE**

We have a number of qualified members and officers with both National and State Championship experience that will be available for this championship.

3. **On Shore Support**

3.1 **RIGGING AND LAUNCHING FOR 70 YACHTS**

Rigging and Launching facilities are available at our Clubhouse located at the base of Petra Street in East Fremantle. Our grassed rigging area and bitumen parking area provides ample space for seventy Sharpies. We have three launching ramps on our grassed rigging area and one on our bitumen parking area to allow easy launching of competitors yachts.

3.2 **BOAT STORAGE AND SECURITY**

All competing yachts can be stored on the rigging area and bitumen parking area. Access to these areas is controlled by boom gates and our Club grounds are patrolled by a mobile security firm during the evening.

The rigging and bitumen parking areas have **security lighting** and we will arrange for extra on site security during the Regatta in addition to our normal external security patrol service.

3.3 **YACHT REPAIRS:** The Clubhouse is conveniently located to Chandlery, Sailmaking and boat repair facilities.

Chandlery: Gaudetts Boating Hardware/Pro Sail Marine is located less than five minutes from the rigging areas. We are prepared to offer a chandler the opportunity of setting up a temporary shop in our rigging area for greater convenience.

Sailmaking: Doyle Fraser Sails are located less than 10 minutes from the rigging areas. Doyle Fraser Sails will be approached to provide a pick up/drop off service to the rigging areas for convenience and to expedite repairs.

Boat Repairs: An experienced fibreglass and timber boat repair company is located within fifteen minutes of the rigging areas.

3.4 **SHOWER/TOILET FACILITIES**

Shower/Toilet facilities at our Clubhouse are more than adequate to cater for two hundred and fifty competitors. We have six male and four female showers in our shower/toilet blocks and a total of six male and seven female toilet cubicles together with six male urinals located throughout our clubhouse.

3.5 **RESULTS DISPLAY**

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We have four large **mobile screens**, which can be used to display **daily results and other notices and photographs**.

3.6 **MEASURING**

We have suitable areas available to weigh, **measure hulls and spars, and sails** can be measured on our large function area floor. Our measurement facilities have proved more than adequate when used by other Associations for National and State Selection requirements.

3.7 **CAR PARKING**

We have a total of 120 parking bays available at our Clubhouse. We will also arrange additional parking at Campbell Reserve which is situated above our rigging area and can accommodate a further fifty vehicles. The club is well advanced in negotiations with local council and an adjacent sporting club to develop a joint parking area which will greatly increase our parking capacity.

3.8 **CONTAINER STORAGE**

Bays are available for storage of these containers for the Regatta if necessary.

3.9 **RACE CONTROL CENTRE**

We have a well-appointed Junior Clubhouse, which can be used as a Race Control centre for the Regatta.

3.10 **FIRST AID**

First Aid facilities are available at our Clubhouse and first aid kits are carried on all our rescue boats. We would ensure an adequate procedure is in place to handle any serious injury during the Regatta. Several doctor's surgery's are situated within minutes of the Club and Fremantle Hospital is less than ten minutes away.

3.11 **PHOTOGRAPHER**

We would arrange for an experienced photographer to photograph the series. Consideration will be given to **video recording** the series. Further discussion would be required on this item.

3.12 **MEETING ROOMS**

Our function area can be used for your **Annual General Meeting** whilst our Executive Meeting Room can be used for **Team Manager Meetings and Protest Hearings**.

3.13 **COMPUTERISED RESULTS**

Our club utilises the popular "**Finishing Line**" race results software package, which is used by the majority of local yacht clubs to process their club, state and national championship requirements. This software package is available for this championship.

4. Hospitality and Social

4.1 CLUB BAR FACILITIES

Our Club which has a **full Club liquor license**, trades seven days per week and our members and guests are serviced by experienced paid staff. We have three bars and offer a total of twelve beers on tap, an extensive range of wine, liquors and spirits and a group two coffee machine which provides a full range of coffee and related products. Our hospitality areas were refurbished in 2000 and we are currently extending our balcony and installing cedar concertina doors to link our main bar areas to the extended balcony area which will significantly improve our excellent hospitality facilities. **Our extensive bar and lounge facilities are more than adequate to cater for three hundred sailors, friends and families.** Daily presentations will be held in the Family Lounge and our **in-house video system** which is connected to **two large plasma screens** can be utilised and is a proven method of entertaining competitors, particularly if the races are recorded on video.

Whilst we will arrange a number of major functions, competitors and their guests are more than welcome to use our bar facilities which will be available throughout the Regatta.

4.2 CATERING

Our Head Chef together with his experienced staff handles the high volume of catering requirements resulting from our strong member support of our catering and private function facilities. It is not uncommon to have in excess of three hundred members and guests dining at the Club on a Wednesday evening and in excess of one hundred dining on a Friday evening. In addition to our Friday Evening Dining and Wednesday Evening Weber Meals, the club provides lunch and evening meals during the weekend, lunch on Fridays and breakfast on Sunday mornings.

During the course of the Regatta we will **provide café style lunch and evening meals every day.**

4.3 PRIVATE FUNCTIONS

Our **Functions Co-ordinator** co-ordinates the high volume of private functions being held in our function area such as weddings, birthday parties, seminars and training sessions and other sporting club's presentation evenings. These factors **highlight our ability to adequately handle all catering requirements internally without relying on outside caterers.**

Tentative bookings have already been made in preparation for the Regatta and an **embargo placed on private functions during the Regatta.**

4.4 **SOCIAL PROGRAM**

Our Club is very experienced in organising social evenings and will arrange a number of **functions** with catering **during the Regatta**, including: -

- **Welcome Night**
- **New Years Eve Function**
- **Gambling Night**
- **States Night**
- **Chug a lug Night**
- **Presentation Dinner**

The above functions would provide competitors and their families with an interesting social calendar centred around the Championship venue.

5. **Accommodation**

For economical unit style accommodation and the more expensive motel/hotel style accommodation.

Accommodation is available at the Trade Winds Hotel, which is located only two kilometres from our Club.

We have preferential pricing at this venue.

5.1 **TRADEWINDS HOTEL**

This modern complex is located less than 2 kilometres from our Club and we have reserved twenty-five of their eighty-seven units for competitors requiring this style of accommodation. This hotel has several restaurants, a pool and spa.

We have an excellent working relationship with the Tradewinds Hotel, which will ensure preferential treatment for competitors and their families.

5.2 **ESPLANADE HOTEL**

This luxurious hotel is located in Fremantle approximately five kilometres from our Club. This hotel caters for families requiring up-market accommodation.

5.3 **CHALETS/CARAVAN PARKS**

Fremantle Village Caravan and Chalet Centre are located seven kilometres from our Club and the Coogee Beach Caravan Park is located a further kilometre away.

We will approach both parks and endeavour to arrange preferential pricing.

6. Administration

6.1 ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT

Four-experienced full time employees with computer, telephone, facsimile, e-mail and photocopying facilities staff our Administration Office. These facilities will provide an excellent administrative support centre for the Regatta.

Our administration staff will be available to serve as a focal point for assisting the organising committee, handling queries and assisting visitors to make accommodation bookings in the run up to the Championship. In addition, these facilities will be available to assist with the running of the Regatta.

6.2 TOTAL CLUB SUPPORT

The Club Executive Committee, administration staff, sub committees and members **totally support this submission** to the extent that the Club Manager has been put forward to assist the working group who have been selected to initiate this submission and is a further indication of our Executive Committee support.

Many of our members are in local businesses and provide a good base to draw on sponsorship support for the event.

6.3 MEMBERS SUPPORT

Our Club has in excess of one thousand members involved in Centreboard, Keelboat and Power Yacht activities. This is a tremendous base of members to draw on support in terms of product, labour, spectator craft and rescue craft. Our membership will, as they have in the past, continue to support centreboard sailing.

6.4 PUBLICITY

We will appoint a Regatta Publicity Officer to arrange pre race, racing and post race publicity through our contacts with the local Community Newspapers and major daily newspapers.

A press release and results will be faxed to our media contacts and competitors home clubs after each day racing.

One of our active Club Members, Bruce Wallerson hosts a very successful web page "Westernsail", which regularly features the Sharpie Class. I am confident our association with Bruce and our own web page will provide excellent vehicles to promote the championship.

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6.5 **JETTIES AND PENS**

We have an excess of **150 metres of jetty space** for restricted accommodation and have a large number of our **pens empty over the Christmas/New Year** period which are available for visitor's temporary accommodation.

6.6 **INFORMATION PACKAGE**

The Club will forward a comprehensive information package to all members of the Australian Sharpie Association.

Our **Club Patron, Mr Ken Beurteaux**, supports our submission and is very familiar with the Sharpie class as his son Rod is a past Australian Sharpie champion.

Another long-term **EFYC member, Mr Bob Addison** who recently passed away, was instrumental in the development of the lightweight Sharpie and built the first lightweight "Vision". We will be honoured to have a family representative present the Australian National Sharpie Championship Trophy (**The Addison Brothers Trophy**) which was named after Bob and his brother.

7. Cost Infrastructure

7.1 INCOME

We are prepared to accept the Associations position on collecting \$100 from each entry fee to assist with future National Championships. Full details on the requirements for the regatta will need to be fully researched and costed to enable an accurate budget to be prepared for the regatta. Following consultation with representatives from your Association which will form part of the organizing committee, the entry fee the regatta will be set.

East Fremantle Yacht are prepared to underwrite and run this National Championship, however we will require financial information from the Association and the previous host Club to assist us in this regard.

Our Club has the ability to attract a greater number of sponsors than the Association and our offer to underwrite the Championship is an indication of our confidence in obtaining sponsorship.

7.2 BUDGET

The following items will be considered when forming a budget for this event, which are based on other Championships hosted by our Club:-

Income

Entry fees
Presentation Night ticket sales
Canteen Profit
Sponsorship - Cash and Product
Shirt Sales

Expenses

Excursion and Transport Costs
Shirts - Cost
Presentation Night Expenses
Live Entertainment
Printing and Postage
Trophies
Club Pennants
Results Board
Volunteers Refreshments
Fuel for Support Craft

*** END OF SUBMISSION ***