

Volunteering at the Australian Youth Championships: 10 – 14 January 2020

With approximately 180 boats, plus crews, coaches and families, we're in for a bumper festival at the Club next January.

We settled on a whole of Club model to run this world class event. We could have looked at bringing volunteers in from around the bay, but decided ramping up our own teams was better. Over the last 10 years, we've hosted the 49er and 29er Worlds, the Australian Youth Championships and the Moth World Championships and had so much fun doing it!



Pictured here are some of our volunteers from the Moth Worlds in 2015. Those smiles say it all!

There are a variety of roles across the Regatta and we'd like as many Members included as possible.

The skills required vary according to the role; many are simply transferring existing skill-sets to a new process.

For the race course side of things, we've already started training new teams this season. We will be running 4 race courses for this Regatta.

So to expand our Club-wide volunteer base, we will continue to train up volunteers in the lead up to this peak event and we're hoping that most of those people will continue on volunteering, whether semi-regularly or just occasionally – It's supposed to be fun, not a burden.

During the Regatta we're also looking at split shifts and shared roles to suit families, groups of families and friends, so they can participate without turning their lives upside down. Yes, there will be some hard work and some busy times but we should all have fun doing it. The roles required are:

Regatta Office	Start Boat
Registration	Pin Boat
Car park	Finish Boat
Boat Park	Course Boat

Beach Marshals Jetty Marshals Volunteer support Lunches and hospitality Notice board co-ordinator Results On shore first aid Spectator co-ordinator	Support Boat /Rescue Boat Mothership (Couta Boats) Crew Media Boat PRO / Measurer Boat
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A new training approach.

Getting across all the details of all the roles can seem pretty intimidating if you're just starting on the pathway to become an official, so we've broken the training up into a simple general induction and a series of role specific training modules. This has been highly successful and we have been commended by Australian Sailing's Race Officials Committee for this.

We're very fortunate that our Club can deliver all of the training in-house for all of the Regatta roles, in line with Australian and International best practice.

Keep an eye out for upcoming training opportunities and share in the fun of volunteering at your Club.

To register your interest, please contact our Sailing Manager: Ben Fels sail@sscabc.com.au.