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To all those interested in improving their Race Management Skills.

There will be a Race Officer and Race Management Training Course held at RNYC on Sunday the 26th November 2017. This Training Course developed by Bruce Keytel and Alan Keen is a medium level course aimed at all who are interested in improving their knowledge and ability in race management, whether it be at club or regional level and for those who wish to apply for elevation to National Race Office status, a written and oral test will be available within a week or so in Durban, based on this course and some revision of the 2017/2020 World Sailing Rules. Study material will be available.

John Samuel a NRO and Chairman of SAS Race and Sanction Committee. and a very experienced race officer who has also been involved with the training of Race Officers for a number of years and has a wealth of experience in competing, race management and is involved in the Sanctioning of National Events, will be the presenter of the course. Rob Bell a NRO and Chairman of SASKZN Race Committee is an experienced Race Officer who is very involved with the safety aspects of the Sports Safety Act and its application regarding sailing events will present event sanction application and how the Sports Safety Act applies to sailing events.

As a point of interest, Bruce Keytel is regarded as one of the best NRO's in the Western Cape, he is Chairman of the National Race Officers Committee and has presented this course on a number of occasions in the Cape, but unfortunately is involved in a major project in Ghana and not been available to present the course himself. Alan Keen is an International Judge, experienced race officer and one of the top yachtsmen in South Africa..

SASKZN encourages all clubs to put forward candidates, the presentation is interesting and your members and club sailing can only gain by attending this training session, which the executive have fought long and hard to establish. The planned program is as follows:

- 1 Introduction, Reason for course and outline 08:00 – 08:15
- 2 Structure of Race organisation 08:15 – 08:35
- 4 Event organisation 09:05 – 09:25
- 5 Notice of Race & SI: 09:25 – 09:50
- 6 Signals including special cases 09:50 – 10:00
- 7 Communication aspects (meetings, radio, etc): 10:15 – 11:50
- 8 Shorten course/ abandon / change course (when): Rule 32: 11:50 – 12:15
- 9 Safety (12:15 – 12 : 45)
- 10 Organization of Race Officer 12:45 – 13.15
- 11 Requests for redress 14.00 - 14:15
- 12 Problems to avoid: 14:15 – 14:45 (Group discussion)
- 13 Feedback, critique. 14:45 – 15.15 (Participants)
- 14 Closing, way forward: 15.15 – 15:30

Pre-Session

Please read:

1. World Sailing 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS): Part 3, rule 60, 61 and 62, Part 6 and 7, and Appendices A, J, K and L.
2. ISAF Race Management Manual: Parts J.2 - &.5 and L.1, L6,
<http://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/RMManual201325Apr-%5B18217%5D.pdf>

If you have more time there is a wealth of knowledge in the Race Management Manual for further reading.

Please bring your copy of the World Sailing 2017-2020 rule book (RRS) with you.

We look forward to seeing you for an enjoyable and fruitful training session.