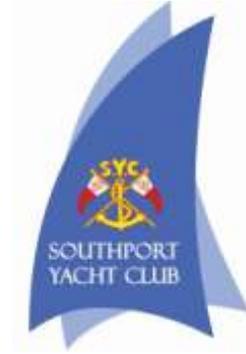


Multihull Division for Sail Paradise 2014



March 14-16

Southport Yacht Club's emerging sailing series, Sail Paradise, will have a special division for multihulls when the regatta is staged from March 14 to 16.

The club is hoping that the promise of exceptional racing on the beautiful waters off the Gold Coast's magnificent ocean beaches, plus plenty of onshore fun, will lure an impressive fleet to the regatta.

The series will also provide an excellent preparation opportunity for yachts being entered in the 50th Anniversary Brisbane to Gladstone Multihull Yacht Race, scheduled for Easter next year.

It is anticipated that more than 40 sailboats, from monohulls and multihulls through to high-performance off-the-beach classes, will be competing for special trophies.

"Southport Yacht Club is working hard to ensure Sail Paradise 2014 is a memorable event for all competitors, both on and off the water," said SYC Commodore, Ian Hall. "As well as promising outstanding racing, our club's hard-won reputation for being the friendliest on the east coast will ensure everyone enjoys an excellent post-race party atmosphere.

"We are certainly hoping we get a strong fleet of multihulls next March as we want to establish a special relationship with this impressive element of the sport. We see long term opportunities there."

Commodore Hall also emphasised that there were added benefits for family and friends who would be supporting the sailors competing at Sail Paradise 2014.

"The people who are there to support the sailors can enjoy the theme parks and other famous attractions on the Gold Coast during the day then join in the celebrations back at the yacht club when the sailors return."

Preliminary details for Sail Paradise 2014 can be found on the regatta website:

www.sailparadise.com.au

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