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## Shoalhaven City to host 2014 Hobie 16 World Championships

Shoalhaven City Council has been awarded host venue rights for the Hobie 16 World Championships in early 2014.

The championships, which will be held on Sailors Beach, Jervis Bay, are expected to be attended by an estimated 550 international visitors and competitors.

The Hobie 16 is the largest and most popular catamaran class in the world, making the world championships a highly competitive and thrilling spectacle.

Shoalhaven City Council Mayor, Joanna Gash said she was extremely pleased to see the Shoalhaven chosen as event hosts saying she was looking forward to witnessing all the action on the water.

“Shoalhaven City is absolutely delighted to be hosting the Hobie 16 World Championships in 2014,” said Cllr Gash.

“Jervis Bay is one of the most picturesque and remarkable waterways in the world making it the perfect venue to host such a prestigious event.

“With over 300 competitors travelling from 20 separate countries to take part, the world championships represent a unique opportunity for the entire Shoalhaven to show off our natural assets and put on a fantastic event.”

“I certainly can’t wait to see some of the world’s best sailors competing on the pristine waters of Jervis Bay in early 2014.”

All competitors will compete in brand new Hobie Cat 16 catamarans (including reserve boats), up to 60 of which will be specifically built for the event by Hobie Cat Australasia at their Huskisson factory.

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