



ALCA is rolling out ‘Youth Solidarity’ as a national program. A similar program has been running in Europe since 2018. It is designed to encourage more girls & boys into Laser sailing via the Laser 4.7 (ILCA4) pathway. Details here: [EurILCA Solidarity Programme | Youth Sailing Promotion](#)

Initially the focus for ALCA will be on female sailors. Less than 20% of our national membership is female.

We can help Australian Sailing achieve their 2032 goals outlined in the 10-year strategic plan:

“GROW- 50% female participants.”

“WIN- We are the leading Olympic & World Championship sailing nation.”

Australian Sailing’s strategic plan is at [xlw3xwhzgj1fztxm.pdf \(revolutionise.com.au\)](#)

ALCA Youth Solidarity will be launched for the 2023 Oceania & Australian Youth Championship at Georges River Sailing Club, Jan 1-8, 2023.

Young female sailors from each state & territory in Australia were invited to apply for the following opportunity:

- Free entry into the championship.
- Free ILCA 4.7 in race condition for the regatta.
- Free squad coaching during the regatta.
- Free Solidarity squad sailing gear provided by our sponsors PSA and Vaikobi.

The successful sailors chosen by each of the State Laser districts are:

State	Name	Club
QLD	Amelia (Milly) Doyle	Townsville Sailing Club
NSW	Harriet McLachlan	Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron
VIC	Madelaine (Maddy) English	Mornington Yacht Club
TAS	Frederica (Freddie) O’Donoghue	Royal Yacht Club Tasmania
SA	Kelly Steele	Brighton & Seacliff Yacht Club

WA	Addison Heatley	Mandurah offshore fishing & sailing club
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Pictured below is the Victorian sailor Maddy English who competed at ILCAVIC States at Mordialloc Yacht Club on Dec 3&4th.



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If you would like to support the Solidarity Program with a tax-deductible donation, please visit <https://asf.org.au/projects/vla/laser-solidarity-program>

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