

## **Ronstan 2020 International Finn Australian Championships**

The Nationals were held at the Adelaide Sailing Club from 5th – 10th January 2020. The facilities and hospitality was fantastic with large rigging lawns, protected launching ramp and excellent club facilities. The on water management was first class.

The regatta was run in conjunction with the OK Dinghys who started after the Finns on the same course the and Mosquito cats on a seperate course. The arrangement worked well and it was nice to be able to catch up with some of the OK sailors.

There were 10 races scheduled over 5 days. The first three days were just perfect, with medium breezes, warm sunny weather and crystal clear water. Two races per day, however the weather changed dramatically on Thursday with temps in the 40's and zero wind...no racing. Friday was the opposite with very strong wind and big waves. The race committee decided to proceed with racing but quickly decided to send everyone back with wind exceeding 25 knots and huge seas. The PRO kept everyone on shore with the expectation the conditions would improve to allow at least one more race. That was not to be and racing was abandoned.

Six races constituted a series so John Condie, who sailed very consistently, was crowned 2020 National Champion. Congratulations John and once again the Adelaide Sailing Club has proved your favourite venue having won the title there in 2016.