

WWGC 2019 UPDATE

Preparations for the 2019 WWGC at Lake Keepit are progressing well.

2019 World Championships Schedule

- **31 December-02 January 2020: Official Practice Days**
- **03 Jan January 2020: 19:00 hrs Official opening**
- **04-17 January 2020: Competition Days - 13 in total**
- **18 January 2020: 10:00 hrs Official closing ceremony.**

Entries

Our survey of national teams showed expressions of interest from 12 NACs for up to 51 pilots across 3 classes: 19 Club, 17 Standard and 16 in 18m. There are an additional 2 countries who are trying to fund some pilots.

Provisional entries will be requested in April/May but we will delay final entries until later in the year so that northern hemisphere countries can finalise their selection.

Training

The Australian National championships in Club class and Sports class (handicapped 18m, 15m, Std) were held in January 2019. We flew 11 competition days with tasks from 400-600km and speeds up to 164kph. The international pilots who competed had an excellent introduction to the conditions, terrain and the wildlife (no dangerous ones).

Practice opportunities prior to the WWGC include Australian National championships at Kingaroy and Tocumwal, with regional events at Lake Keepit. Available to the pilots or the crew who want to go flying first.

Web site

Details for accommodation, glider hire, shipping are available on the web page [<http://wwgc.com.au/>] with updates on a regular basis.

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