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# Great year and exciting times ahead

WITH a successful end to his 2014 season, Stuart Plenderleith is looking ahead to an exciting and challenging 2015.

Stuart, 16, of Willoughby, finished third overall in the Laser Radials at the Australian Youth National Championships last month and also won the Australian Youth Sailing Grand Prix for 2014. All the under-19s competed in 10 races at the nationals in Fremantle.

"It was really tough. All the previous year's Australian youth sailing team members were there," he said. "We had five of us from NSW compete. It's weird when you have to use rules against them."

Stuart (pictured) said the grand prix included all the big youth events, with whoever was most consistent named the winner. He said the youth nationals in December this year would be his last chance to compete in the under-19 age group.



In the meantime, Stuart will be preparing to represent Australia at the Laser Radial Youth World Championships in Kingston, Canada, in August.

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