

QUEENSLAND BENETEAU CUP

(Incorporating the French Yacht Challenge)

24 and 25 October 2020

NOTICE OF RACE

Organising Authority

Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron

In Conjunction with

Queensland Beneteau Owners Group



1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2017 – 2020 Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The prescriptions and special regulations of Australia Sailing (AS) Part 1 Category 5 will apply.

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The Beneteau Cup is open to all Beneteau Yachts. Your entry fee for the Beneteau Cup will include entry in the French Yacht Challenge.
- 3.2 The French Yacht Challenge is open to all French Yachts.
- 3.3 Eligible boats may enter online at <https://www.rqys.com.au/keelboat-racing/>
- 3.4 Entries close at 0000 hours on Tuesday 20 October 2020.
- 3.5 Late entries will be accepted upon payment of the late entry fee.
- 3.6 Yachts withdrawing their entry prior to close of entry with have their fees refunded. After close of entry, refunds will be the discretion of the Beneteau Regatta Committee.
- 3.7 Nominated division may be changed up until 1700 hours on Thursday 22 October 2020. No changes will be accepted after that date.
- 3.8 A contact person and mobile number for each yacht is to be nominated.

4 FEES

- 4.1 The Entry Fee for the Beneteau Cup Regatta is \$100 and the Late Entry Fee is \$120.
- 4.2 The Entry Fee for the French Yacht Challenge is \$50 and the Late Entry Fee is \$60.

5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 The schedule of events for the Regatta is set out in the table below.
- 5.2 The trophy presentation may be held earlier than indicated in the table below. If so registered contacts for competing yachts will be notified by SMS.
- 5.3 A yacht entered in the Rally Division may start at any time in the Starting Window. The Race Committee vessel will record each boats start time. The Starting Window shall be a 10 minute period commencing at the warning signal.

Date	Event	Warning Signal
Saturday 24 October	Registration (by calling the start boat on VHF Channel 72): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rally Division • Cruising Spinnaker Division • Performance Division 	0930 to 0945 1000 to 1015 1000 to 1015
	Beneteau Cup Race 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rally Division • Cruising Spinnaker Division • Performance Division 	0945-1000 (Starting Window) 1020 1035
Sunday 25 October	Registration (by calling the start boat on VHF Channel 72) and on water judging of the Best French Themed Yacht: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rally Division • Cruising Spinnaker Division • Performance Division 	0930 to 0945 1000 to 1015 1015 to 1030
	Beneteau Cup Race 2 and French Yacht Challenge: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rally Division • Cruising Spinnaker Division • Performance Division 	0945-1000 (Starting Window) 1020 1035
	Trophy Presentation and Cash bar in Flags (upstairs at RQYS)	1600

6 DIVISIONS & MEASUREMENT

- 6.1** There will be no measurement for this regatta.
- 6.2** The regatta will be run on Performance Based Handicap System and an initial handicap will be calculated by the Regatta Committee using historical data for each boat.
- 6.3** Yachts can nominate to sail in either of three divisions:
- 6.3.1 Rally Division**
- 6.3.1.1 Rally Division yachts will have a separate start time to the other divisions and may sail a different course
- 6.3.2 Cruising Spinnaker:**
- 6.3.2.1 Cruising Spinnaker yachts will have a separate start time to the other divisions and may sail a different course
- 6.3.3 Performance**
- 6.4** No changes to Divisions will be accepted after 1700 hours on Thursday 22 October 2020.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1** The Sailing Instructions will be available after 1600 hours on Wednesday 14 October 2020 online at <https://www.rgys.com.au/keelboat-racing/>. As there is no briefing competitors will not be provided with a hard copy of the Sailing Instructions.

8 VENUE

- 8.1** Attachment A shows the location of the regatta harbour.
- 8.2** Attachment B shows the location of the racing areas.

9 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be passage races as listed in the Sailing Instructions.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

11 HANDICAPS AND SCORING

- 11.1** Handicaps will primarily be set on the basis of previous performances in Beneteau Regattas and wherever possible the final adjusted handicaps from the previous year will be used. Where this is not possible, performances in similar events will be reviewed. The aim will be to make the handicapping as fair as possible, with account given to the varying levels of sailing experience across the fleet.
- 11.2** Handicaps for the Beneteau Cup will be adjusted after Race 1 and in accordance with the methodology incorporated into the TopYacht system.
- 11.3** In order to be able to have a single set of handicaps for the Beneteau Cup and The French Yacht Challenge, a single set of results for the fleet will be used, with FYC boats on Day 1 being scored as DNS.
- 11.4** Where Series Scores are equal, winners and finishing order will be determined as follows:
- The boat with the best Series Score is ranked highest; and
 - Where they have equal best Series Score the boat with the best score in the last race is ranked highest.
- 11.5** For the Beneteau Cup two races are required to be completed to constitute a Series.

12 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction applies also to mobile telephones.

13 BERTHING

For RQYS Marina Berths, please contact the RQYS Marina Office on 0733933554 during business hours.

14 PRIZES

Prizes will be given on the Sunday as follows

Cruising Spinnaker, Rally and Performance Divisions for the Best French Themed Yacht

Cruising Spinnaker, Rally and Performance Divisions for the Beneteau Cup

Cruising Spinnaker, Rally and Performance Divisions for the French Yacht Challenge

15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

16 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD \$5,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

17 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information contact:

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18 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

18.1 ACCOMMODATION

A listing of onsite and offsite accommodation is online at

<http://www.rqys.com.au/about/our-locations/manly/>

18.2 RESULTS

During the regatta results will be posted on the RQYS Marine Sports section of the website.

RQYS Results - <http://www.rqys.com.au/result/>

RQYS Website - <http://www.rqys.com.au/>

RQYS Sailing - <http://www.rqys.com.au/racing/>

SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

Please note that due to the implications of COVID regulations there will be a limited social program in 2020.

Sunday 25 October 2020

- 0930 - 0945 Best French Themed Yacht in the Rally Division will be judged in the vicinity of the start boat
- 1000 - 1015 Best French Themed Yacht in the Cruising Spinnaker Division will be judged in the vicinity of the start boat
- 1015 - 1030 Best French Themed Yacht in the Performance Division will be judged in the vicinity of the start boat
- 1600 Drinks at competitors (please note that no food will be supplied by the regatta organising committee) own expense in Flags (upstairs at RQYS)
- 1630 Trophy Presentation in Flags for:
- Cruising Spinnaker, Rally and Performance Divisions for the Best French Themed Yacht
 - Cruising Spinnaker, Rally and Performance Divisions for the French Yacht Challenge
 - Cruising Spinnaker, Rally and Performance Divisions Beneteau Cup

The Trophy Presentations may commence earlier than shown above, in which case the registered contacts for competing yachts will be notified by SMS.

ATTACHMENT A

REGATTA HARBOUR



ATTACHMENT B

APPROXIMATE RACING AREA

