

# 139<sup>th</sup> Sailing Season OFF THE BEACH

09<sup>th</sup> September 2023 Thru to 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2024

## NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

**ROYAL QUEENSLAND YACHT SQUADRON LTD** 578 Royal Esplanade, Manly, QLD 4179

NoR OTB 139th Sailing Season

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

The notation [DP] in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of the rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee be less than disqualification. This changes Rule 64.2

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 RRS Appendix B will apply to all windsurfing classes
- 1.3 The applicable class rules will apply.
- 1.3 (a) [DP][NP]Sailors in the Nacra 15 class shall wear a suitable helmet at all times while racing.
- 1.4 The Australian Sailing prescriptions and special regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) Part 2 will apply (See Attachment C).
- 1.5 For Etchell Class Boats NoR 1.4 is amended to AS Special Regulations Part 1 Category 7 shall apply.
- 1.6 RRS Appendix A5.3 will apply.
- 1.7 The RQYS Constitution, Club Participation Rules, House Rules and Codes of Conduct will apply (<u>https://www.rqys.com.au/policiesanddocuments/</u>).
- 1.8 Competitors must follow all Club Policies (<u>https://www.rqys.com.au/policiesanddocuments/</u>)

#### 2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 The sailing instructions will be available after 1400 hrs on 07/09/2023 at <u>https://www.rqys.com.au/sailingnoticeboard/</u>.

#### 3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at https://www.rqys.com.au/clubracingnoticeboard/ .
- 3.2 [DP] [NP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

#### 4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Seasons entry is open to dinghies, boards, OTB multihulls, Etchells & VX One's.
- 4.2 Seasons entrants will be entered in the Seasons Points series, as well as the Squadron Championships.
- 4.3 Classes with less than 5 entries will be entered into a mixed class division.
- 4.4 Skippers with seasons entries are required to be financial members of the Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron as a Crew or Full Member (or equivalent).
- 4.5 Casual Entries can be lodged in advance online via the regatta page, or, can be lodged on the day of racing before the first warning signal of the day, by seeing the Sailing Office staff adjacent to the Main Rigging Lawn
- 4.6 Casual entrants are required to be a member of Australian Sailing by having a club membership with a yacht or sailing club, or by obtaining an RQYS Sail Pass. See <u>the online policy</u> for further rules regarding day-pass membership.
- 4.7 Boats may enter the event by registering online at <u>https://www.rqys.com.au/139-otb/</u>.
- 4.8 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.9 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority.
- 4.10 All persons on board a boat while racing shall be members of a Club affiliated to Australian Sailing and have an Australian Sailing number, or hold a valid Sail Pass, or if an international competitor, be a member of club affiliated to a World Sailing recognised Member National Authority.

#### 4.11 Class course allocations shall be as follows:

#### 4.11 (a) Northern Course

- 29er
- 49er
- Etchells
- Hobie 16
- Nacra 15
- Skiffs
- VX One
- OK Dinghy

#### 4.11 (b) Courthern Course

- Finns
- Flying 11
- ILCA 4
- ILCA 6
- ILCA 7
- O'pen Skiff
- Optimist
- Raceboard
- RS Feva
- Sabot
- Windfoil
- Windsufer LT
- 4.12 Classes may be modified or combined based on number of entries (as per NoR 4.3) and/or at the discretion of the race committee.
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#### 5. FEES

5.1 RQYS Member Season Entry Fees:			
5.1 (a)	Single Handed Off the Beach Classes	\$300.00	
5.1 (b)	Double Handed Off the Beach Classes	\$350.00	
5.1 (c)	VX One and Etchells	\$350.00	
5.2 Casual Entry Fees:			
5.2 (a)	RQYS Members	\$20.00	
5.2 (b)	Non-Members	\$30.00	

#### 6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1 Opening Day of the 139th Season (2023 2024) shall be on Saturday 02 September 2023.
- 6.2 **Opening Day Race on Saturday 02 September 2023** shall be run as a separate race to Seasons Points with a separate set of Sailing Instructions.
- 6.3 Racing will be conducted on Saturdays for Off the Beach classes as per the <u>Online</u> <u>Sailing Program</u>.
- 6.4 Foiling Boards on Sunday as per the <u>Online Sailing Program</u>.
- 6.5 Seasons Points races will be every race of the Season.
- 6.6 Squadron Championships races will be as per the <u>Online Sailing Program</u>.

#### 7. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

7.1 Boats may be inspected at any time.

#### 8. VENUE

- 8.1 NoR Attachment A shows the plan of the event venue.
- 8.2 NoR Attachment D shows the location of the racing areas.

#### 9. COURSES

9.1 The courses shall be as described in the Sailing Instructions.

#### 10. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1 For the skiffs, 9ers and multihull class(es) RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 10.2 For Etchells and VX One, RRS44.1 is amended in that the penalty for breaking a rule of RRS Part 2 shall be a One-Turn Penalty, except the penalty for breaking a rule of RRS Part 2 occurring within the zone as defined in RRS shall be a Two-Turn Penalty.

#### 11. SCORING

- 11.1 There shall be three scoring methods: Season Points Series Scratch, Season Points Series PHS & Squadron Champion Series Scratch (Per NoR 6.6).
- 11.1 (a) Any mixed divisions Scratch shall be replaced with Yardstick.
- 11.2 1 race is required to constitute a series.
- 11.3 Score discards shall be as per the following:a. For Squadron Championship series, there will be 1 discard per 7 completed races.b. For Seasons Points series, there will be 1 discard per 5 completed races.
- 11.4 PHS Handicaps shall be defined by the "SailSys" system. SailSys is an online race management system. For further information regarding handicaps and scoring see <u>https://www.sailsys.com.au</u>.
- 11.5 Average Points:
- 11.5 (a) Average points may be requested for season entries when racing is missed due to competing at a National or International class regatta or a World Sailing ranked event in the competitor's class, or in any other circumstance approved by the Sailing Committee.
- 11.5 (b) These points shall be awarded for no more than four (4) days in a season.
- 11.5 (c) To receive average points, sailors must request average points in advance by emailing <u>sailing@rqys.com.au</u> with a "<u>Request for Average Points</u>" form and have this approved by the Sailing Office BEFORE the missed day's racing.
- 11.5 (d) Average Points will be awarded as per RRS A9 (b) only if there have been two (2) races in the series before the race the competitor is applying for average points for. If there have not been two (2) races in the series already, the Race Committee will determine the application of average points.

11.6 A boat which Does Not Compete (DNC) in a race shall be scored the number competitors within the fleet at the starting area, plus an additional three (3) points. This changes RRS A5.3.

#### 12. CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

12.1 A chartered or loaned boat may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of her class rules, provided that the race committee has approved her sail identification before the first race.

#### 13. BERTHING [NP][DP]

- 13.1 No vessels shall berth or rig on the RQYS Fuel Dock unless re-fuelling or approval obtained from the RQYS Marina/Sailing Office.
- 13.2 Restrictions may be placed on where vessels may be stored or rigged by the RQYS Sailing or Marina office.
- 13.3 No tie down restraints may penetrate the ground deeper than 300mm due to lawn irrigation systems.

#### 14. RISK STATEMENT

14.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

#### 15. DATA PROTECTION

15.1 By participating in an event, a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority and the sponsors of the event, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition for said event in which the competitor participated and in all material related to the said event without compensation.

#### 16. INSURANCE

16.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000AUD per incident or the equivalent.

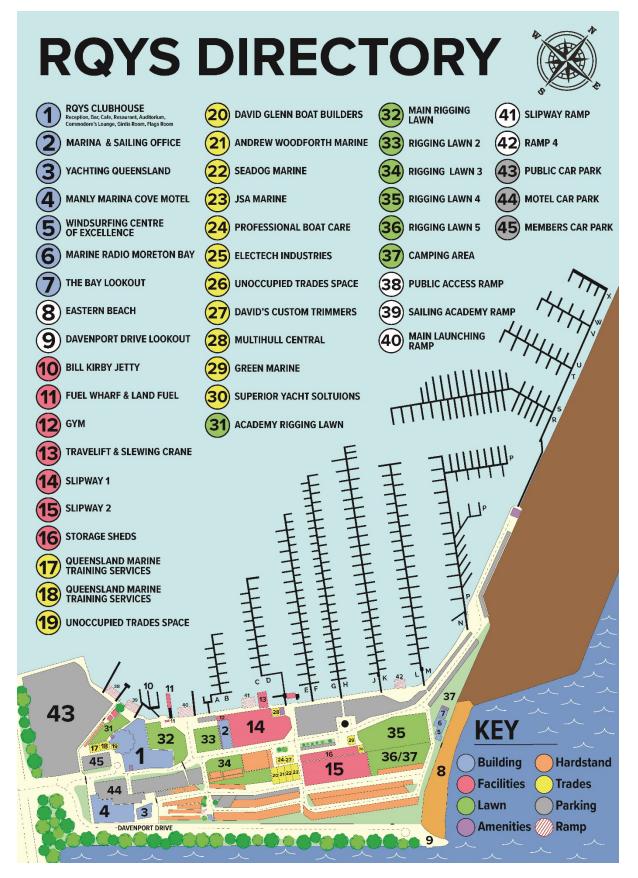
#### 17. PRIZES

- 17.1 The 2023/2024 Presentations of Trophies for Seasons Points and Squadron Championships and other events will take place in a Squadron Function Room, to be advised by invitation in future. A list of major trophies is at NoR Attachment B.
- 17.2 Only Season Entrants are eligible for Seasons Points or Squadron Championship awards at the Junior and/or Senior Presentation of Trophies.
- 17.3 Divisions or Classes with five or more entries will be awarded:
- 17.3 (a) 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Season Points Scratch (Yardstick for Mixed Divisions).
- 17.3 (b) 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Season Points PHS.
- 17.3 (c) 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Squadron Championship Scratch.
- 17.4 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority. FURTHER INFORMATION
- 17.5 For further information please contact: RQYS Sailing: 07 3396 8666 / <u>sailing@rqys.com.au</u> 578 Royal Esplanade MANLY QLD 4179 AUS <u>www.rqys.com.au</u>

#### LOCATION INFORMATION

RQYS Notice Board	View the RQYS Notice Board to access Sailing Instructions, Entry, Amendments and more
Accommodation:	Ample and varied accommodation is available in the local area. Early bookings are recommended.
	The Manly Marina Cove Motel is located on the grounds of RQYS – <a href="https://www.manlymarinacove.com">www.manlymarinacove.com</a>
	Limited <u>camping</u> facilities <u>may</u> be available in the grounds of RQYS.
	Other Local Accommodation Includes:
	<u>The Manly Hotel, Waterloo Bay Hotel, Pelican's Nestle Inn, Wynnum Anchor</u> <u>Motel</u>
Access to RQYS:	RQYS Reception (located on the left as you enter the club) is available to assist with access between the hours of 7am and 7pm.
Manly Amenities:	<u>North Sails</u> (Sailmaker) – Club Sponsor North Sails is located just down the road from the club at 1/264 Tingal Road, an 8 minute drive away.
	Muir Marine QLD (Chandlery) - Muir Marine have been serving the Marine Industry for over 100 years and supply everything in boating equipment. Located at 453 Esplanade a 3 minute drive from the club.
	IGA Manly Village – IGA is the closest grocery store to RQYS located just 3 minute drive away, at the corner of Stratton Tce & Cambridge Parade.
	Manly Village Medical – Is the closest medical centre to RQYS, located at 25 Cambridge Parade a 2 minute drive away.
Local Weather:	The RQYS Weather Station can be found at: <u>https://www.rqys.com.au/weather-station/</u> The Weather Station records from above the club Bay Lookout.
	BOM: Radar: <u>http://www.bom.gov.au/products/IDR663.loop.shtml</u> Marine Forecast: <u>http://www.bom.gov.au/qld/forecasts/moreton-bay.shtml</u>
	Other Popular forecasts:
	Predict Wind: <u>https://forecast.predictwind.com/table/</u> Seabreeze: <u>https://www.seabreeze.com.au/weather/wind-forecast/brisbane</u> WillyWeather: <u>https://wind.willyweather.com.au/qld/brisbane/brisbane.html</u>

## Attachment A



### Attachment B

Most Consistent Skipper in a Junior Class ~ Harold Dean Memorial Trophy ~

> Best Result at a National Regatta ~ Vidgen Perpetual Trophy ~

Most Improved Junior Skipper ~ T E Passey Trophy ~

Junior Sailor of the Year ~ Lady Stonehaven Challenge Cup ~

Youth Sailor of the Year ~ W A O'Hare Memorial Trophy ~

Squadron Champion for an Olympic Class ~ Astra Trophy ~

Longest Serving Member of a Season Points Winner ~ The Governor's Trophy ~

Most Consistent Skipper in a Senior Class ~ Callisto Cup – AM Greenfield Trophy ~

> Most Consistent Contributor ~ Maurice Tilley Perpetual Trophy ~

> Corinthian Yachtsman of the Year ~ Model Elliott ~

Best Performing Female Crew ~ Erica Blumson Trophy ~

Best Performance in an Olympic Class ~ John H Robinson Memorial Trophy ~

> Keelboat Crew of the Year ~ E Sparkes Trophy ~

Sailor of the Year ~ Hardy Brothers Jewellers Trophy ~

## Attachment C

#### SAFETY FIRST

As part of a national incentive by Australian Sailing, RQYS has adopted 'Whole of Fleet' Safety Audits appropriate to your race category.

#### So why extend equipment audits to all of our fleet?

The simple answer is compliance and good safety practice within the club. We have a Duty of Care to those participating in RQYS events and this extends beyond RQYS responsibility to boat owners and skippers.

Nationally, self audits have not, in the majority of cases, been completed to a satisfactory standard and it is our intention to engender into our sailors a culture of safety which benefits us all.

Chris Morgan, a division yacht owner and Queensland's Senior Sailing Australia Equipment Safety Auditor, has agreed to undertake the management of this program alongside the sailing office.

- All yacht owners and off the beach boats will be required to complete the appropriate Sailing Australia category form applicable to the club racing they intend to enter. <u>Off the Beach Audit</u> (most recent version at March 2022) <u>AS SR Safety Equipment Checklists</u>
- Owners will then be required to contact an RQYS/Class approved auditor(s) to arrange an inspection and sign off.

It is not our intention to be heavy handed and disqualify boats that do not have an audited form on race day, but we want all participants to build a culture of safety in the club from the juniors up.

Below is a list of our current RQYS auditors. If you are interested in becoming an auditor please contact Mark Dingley.

#### **RQYS / Class SAFTEY INSPECTORS for Off the Beach Boats**

Greg Kemp Jan Kemp Colin Bilston Mick Patrick Chris Davey Simon Tribe Mark Dingley (Classes may approve other Inspectors)

## Attachment D

