



2020-2021 SAILING SEASON COMBINED CLUBS SUMMER PENNANT SERIES NOTICE OF RACE

To be sailed on the River Derwent

Saturday 10 October 2020 - Afternoon start
Saturday 24 October 2020 - Morning start
Saturday 7 November 2020 - Afternoon start
Saturday 21 November 2020 - Morning start
Saturday 5 December 2020 - Afternoon start
Saturday 9 January 2021 – Morning start
Saturday 30 January 2021 – Morning start
Saturday 27 February 2021 - Afternoon start
Saturday 13 March 2021 - Morning start
Saturday 27 March 2021 - Afternoon start

Conducted by The Combined Clubs:

**DERWENT SAILING SQUADRON, THE ROYAL YACHT CLUB
OF TASMANIA AND BELLERIVE YACHT CLUB**

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

- 1.1. The Combined Clubs consisting of The Derwent Sailing Squadron Inc. (DSS), The Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania (RYCT) and The Bellerive Yacht Club Inc. (BYC).

2. RULES

- 2.1. Races will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-20. Races conducted on or after 1 January 2021 will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021-24.
- 2.2. Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS).
- 2.3. Racing will be subject to Government imposed COVID-19 restrictions in place on any given race day.
- 2.4. RRS 50.2 (RRS 2017-20) and RRS 55.2 (RRS 2021-24) are changed to allow the use of fixed or retractable spinnaker poles and bowsprits for the purpose of setting asymmetrical spinnakers.
- 2.5. RRS 52 is changed by adding "Stored power may be used for the operation of sails and movable ballast systems."
- 2.6. RRS 63.1, A5 (RRS 2017-20) and A5.1 RRS (2021-24) are changed by adding the following to each "The Race Committee may apply penalties without a hearing to boats which infringe the sailing instructions relating to keeping clear of start and finish lines. Penalties shall be as specified in the sailing instructions."
- 2.7. Protest Arbitration-Appendix T of the RRS applies.
- 2.8. Boats shall comply with AS Special Regulations Part 1, Category 5 for Groups 1, 2, 3 & 4 except that a fitted VHF radio is mandatory (This amends Special Regulation 3.25.1(b)). Group 5 boats shall comply with Category 7 together with a VHF radio (this may be a handheld unit).
- 2.9. General Rules as described in Section 1 of the Organising Clubs' fixtures and sailing instructions booklets.
- 2.10. The minimum number of adult crew to be on board shall be three (3) unless special dispensation sought in writing from the Organising Authority is granted by the Race Committee before a race.

3. ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1. Entry is open to owners of boats on the register of the BYC, DSS or RYCT. Other entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority from members of other clubs affiliated with Australian Sailing.
- 3.2. Crew Declaration.
 - 3.2.1. For each race a boat shall submit a COVID-19 Crew Declaration via TOPYACHT before its group race warning signal.
 - 3.2.2. The Crew Declaration shall confirm that the boat intends to race and shall include required details of persons on board as follows:
 - i. Name;
 - ii. Contact phone number; and
 - iii. Australian Sailing Number in accordance with NOR 3.6.
 - 3.2.3. Boats that do not comply with NOR 3.2.1 and NOR 3.2.2 will be scored DSO without a hearing for the relevant race. This changes RRS A5 (RRS 2017-20) and A5.1 RRS (2021-24).
- 3.3. The Combined Club's Race Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any entry.
- 3.4. Boats wishing to enter IRC or AMS for a race or series shall provide a valid IRC and/or AMS Rating Certificate(s) before the race of the series.
- 3.5. Competitors who join a series after one (1) or more races have been run will be awarded a 'Late Entrant' score for each earlier race. The 'Late Entrant' score will be DNC score for the first (non-abandoned) race run after the competitor joins the series. Previously allocated DNC scores for other boats will not be altered.

This score will also apply to boats that have entered a series (IRC, AMS) but have not provided the appropriate rating certificate.

- 3.6. All crew members must comply with the AS Prescription to RRS 46 which states – “any crew member who sails in more than three (3) races in a season shall be a member of a Club affiliated to Australian Sailing and an Australian Sailing card holder (SIN)”.

4. ENTRY

- 4.1. Entries should be lodged via one of the organising club’s website by no later than 17:00 on Thursday 8 October 2020.

- 4.2. No entry will be deemed to have been accepted until approved by the Combined Clubs Race Committee and until a self-assessed Australian Sailing (AS) 2017-2021 Special Regulations Equipment Audit Form for the appropriate safety category has been lodged with the Race Office of one of the Combined Clubs.

- 4.3. Entry fees for each series

Series Entry \$150

Each additional Handicap Group (IRC, AMS) \$75 each

Individual Race Day Entry \$25

Each additional Handicap Group - Individual race day \$15 each

- 4.4. Optional Non-Member RYCT Pennant Entry \$50

RYCT Pennant Additional Handicap Group \$30 each additional class (IRC and/or AMS) for RYCT pennant.

5. INSURANCE

- 5.1. All competing boats are required to have a current Certificate of Insurance for the period of the series including Third Party Liability and Public Liability Insurance of not less than AUS \$10,000,000 (ten million dollars) for any one incident.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

| DAY | DATE | HOST CLUB | START | FIRST WARNING SIGNAL |
|--------|---------------------------|-----------|----------|----------------------|
| Day 1 | Saturday 10 October 2020 | DSS | Midriver | 13:25 |
| Day 2 | Saturday 24 October 2020 | BYC | Midriver | 09:55 |
| Day 3 | Saturday 7 November 2020 | RYCT | Midriver | 13:25 |
| Day 4 | Saturday 21 November 2020 | DSS | Midriver | 09:55 |
| Day 5 | Saturday 5 December 2020 | RYCT | Midriver | 13:25 |
| Day 6 | Saturday 09 January 2021 | BYC | Midriver | 09:55 |
| Day 7 | Saturday 30 January 2021 | RYCT | Midriver | 09:55 |
| Day 8 | Saturday 27 February 2021 | DSS | Midriver | 13:25 |
| Day 9 | Saturday 13 March 2021 | RYCT | Midriver | 09:55 |
| Day 10 | Saturday 27 March 2021 | BYC | Midriver | 13:25 |

7. GROUP ALLOCATION

- 7.1. Boats will be allocated to Groups by the Combined Clubs Race Committee using Time Correction Factors (TCF) based on the Performance Handicapping System (PHS). Boats may be allocated to a Group outside of these parameters at the discretion of the Combined Clubs Race Committee.
- 7.2. Non-Spinnaker entrants will be allocated to a group best suited to their PHS performance.

8. RACES

- 8.1. Races 1, 3, 5, 8 & 10 are afternoon starts.
- 8.2. Races 2, 4, 6, 7 & 9 are morning starts.
- 8.3. All Groups will have one (1) race only on each race day.
- 8.4. Groups may be combined if there are insufficient entries in any Group.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 9.1. Sailing Instructions will be available from the Organising Clubs by no later than Thursday 1 October 2020, and placed on the Organising Clubs' websites.

10. OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD

- 10.1. The Series Official Notice Board for each race will be located on the Notice Board of the Club assigned to conduct the race. Copies of notices will be placed on the other Club Notice Boards as soon as practical before and following a race.

11. RACING AREA

- 11.1. The waters of the River Derwent, D'Entrecasteaux Channel, Frederick Henry Bay and Storm Bay.

12. COURSES

- 12.1. As described in the Sailing Instructions.

13. SCORING

- 13.1. Races shall be scored based on handicap or rating system.
- 13.2. The Summer Pennant Series will consist of 10 races with discards as described in 13.3 below. Scoring for a five (5) race Harbour Series (afternoon starts) and a five (5) race Long Race Series (morning starts) will be extracted from the overall series results. The Harbour and the Long Race Series will not have discards.
- 13.3. Minimum Number of Races:
 - 13.3.1. Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute the Summer Pennant Series.
 - 13.3.2. Two (2) afternoon start races are required to be completed to constitute the Harbour Series.
 - 13.3.3. Two (2) morning start races are required to be completed to constitute the Long Race Series.
- 13.4. Summer Pennant Score:
 - 13.4.1. When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - 13.4.2. When six (6) to eight (8) races have been completed a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - 13.4.3. When nine (9) or ten (10) races are completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

14. PRIZES

- 14.1. Trophies will be awarded to the first boat in each Summer Pennant Series Group, Harbour Series and Long Race Series Group.
- 14.2. Additional trophies may be awarded but the organisers reserve the right to vary the number of trophies awarded based on the number of entries:

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| Five entries | 1st prize |
| Six to nine entries | 1st and 2nd prizes |
| Ten or more entries | 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes |

- 14.3. A minimum of five (5) entries are required to constitute a group.
- 14.4. Individual race day prizes may be awarded by the Club conducting the events.

15. CLUB PENNANTS

- 15.1. Boats will automatically qualify for entry into a club's respective class Summer Pennants if they are a member of that club.
 - 15.1.1. Non-members wishing to be eligible for the RYCT Summer Pennant are required to pay an additional entry fee of \$50 for each Pennant and \$30 for each of IRC and AMS.
- 15.2. Club Pennant Scoring
 - 15.2.1. The Bellerive Yacht Club Pennant will be awarded based on the full series of the Combined Clubs Summer Pennant Series and subject to scoring as described in Combined Clubs Summer Pennant Series NOR 13 except that after six (6) or more races a boats series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. Club handicaps and systems which may differ from those of the Combined Clubs may also be used.
 - 15.2.2. The Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania Summer Pennant will be awarded based on the full series of the Combined Clubs Summer Pennant Series and subject to scoring as described in Combined Clubs Summer Pennant Series NOR 13.
 - 15.2.3. The Derwent Sailing Squadron Summer Pennant will be awarded based on the full series of the Combined Clubs Summer Pennant Series and subject to scoring as described in the Combined Clubs Summer Pennant Series NOR 13.

16. SAFETY

- 16.1. Safety Category requirements for the Summer Pennant Series are:
 - 16.1.1. Category 5 for Groups 1, 2, 3 & 4 except that, fitted VHF is mandatory [this amends AS SR 3.25.1(b)]
 - 16.1.2. Category 7 for Group 5 plus a VHF radio
- 16.2. The attention of all persons taking part in the Combined Clubs Summer Pennant Series races is drawn to the requirement to be aware of the application of the Marine Safety (Misuse of Alcohol) Act, 2006.
- 16.3. For sports boats and boats without full lifelines, AS Special Regulations Part 1, Section 5, 5.01.1 (j) (Lifejackets) shall apply.
- 16.4. It is also recommended that entrants have a Man Overboard procedure that all crew members have practiced.
- 16.5. Boats must report any serious on water incidents to the Race Officer/Race Committee as soon as practical (for example man overboard, collision, grounding or crew injury).
- 16.6. Boats will comply with the Combined Clubs "Return to Sailing in a COVID-safe Environment Plan" which is available on all Clubs' websites.
- 16.7. Attention is also drawn to the requirement for boats to keep well clear of vessels under pilotage especially vessels proceeding through the Tasman Bridge.

17. PRIVACY NOTICE

- 17.1. Personal information about crew members is obtained in the crew lists for use in case of emergency or COVID-19 contact tracing situations. If necessary, the information will be provided to Public Health Authorities, Emergency Organisations or the Water Police and may be passed on by them to other

organisations as required. A condition of entry is that crew members are to be informed of this and advised that they may obtain access to the information held about them by contacting the Organising Authority.

18. LIABILITY DISCLAIMER

- 18.1. All persons taking part in all races, whether as entrants or otherwise, do so at their own risk and responsibility. Particular attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4 Decision to Race.
- 18.2. The BYC, DSS and RYCT their executives, boards, servants and agents and all other parties involved with the conduct and organisation of the Summer Pennant Series disclaim any and every responsibility for loss, damage, injury, death or inconvenience that might occur to persons or property, both ashore and/ or afloat, as a consequence of participation in the races covered by this notice of race and by the sailing instructions.
- 18.3. The Combined Clubs are not individually or collectively responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.
- 18.4. The Combined Clubs reserve the right to refuse or withdraw any entry.