



2017-18 SAILING SEASON

COMBINED CLUBS SHORT COURSE CHAMPIONSHIP

NOTICE OF RACE

To be sailed on the waters of the River Derwent

Saturday	21 October	2017
Saturday	2 December	2017
Saturday	24 March	2018
Saturday	7 April (Reserve Day)	2018

Conducted by the Combined Clubs:

BELLERIVE YACHT CLUB INC

THE ROYAL YACHT CLUB OF TASMANIA

DERWENT SAILING SQUADRON INC

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

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

2. RULES

- 2.1 Races will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-20.
- 2.2 Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS).
- 2.3 RRS 50.2 is changed to allow the use of fixed or retractable spinnaker poles and bowsprits for the purpose of setting asymmetrical spinnakers.
- 2.4 RRS 52 is changed by adding "The use of stored power may be used for the hoisting, reefing or furling of sails."
- 2.5 RRS 63.1 and A5 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.
- 2.6 Protest Arbitration-Appendix T of the RRS applies except that the arbitrator may be a member of a subsequent protest hearing.
- 2.7 Boats shall comply with AS Special Regulations Part 1, Category 7 plus a fully operational VHF radio is mandatory (this can be a hand held unit).
- 2.8 **General Rules as described in Section 1 of the Organising Clubs' fixtures and sailing instructions booklets.**
- 2.9 The minimum number of crew to be on board is two (2).

3. ELIGIBILITY

Entry is open to owners of boats on the register or the supplementary register of the BYC, DSS, RYCT or GBBC. Other entries may be accepted at the discretion of the organising authority from members of other clubs affiliated with Australian Sailing.

The Combined Clubs Race Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any entry.

Boats wishing to enter AMS or IRC for a race or series shall provide a valid AMS and/or IRC Rating Certificate(s) before the race or the first race of each series.

Competitors who join a series after one 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 (AMS, IRC) but have not provided the appropriate rating certificate.

4. ENTRY

- 4.1 Entries should be lodged via one of the organising clubs website. For competitors who do not have access to the internet, a hard copy entry form appears at the end of the Notice of Race – the completed form shall be lodged with the Race Office of one of the Combined Clubs no later than 1700hrs on Thursday 12 October 2017.
- 4.2 No entry will be deemed to have been accepted until approved by the Combined Clubs Race Committee.
- 4.3 Entry fees

Series Entry	\$90
Each additional Handicap Group (AMS and/or IRC)	\$25

- Individual Race Day Entry \$35
- Each additional Handicap Group-Ind race day \$10

5. **INSURANCE**

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**

Date	Race	Host Club	Start Line	First Warning Signal
21 Oct 17	Race Day 1	DSS	Mid-river	1155 hours
2 Dec 17	Race Day 2	BYC	Mid-river	1155 hours
24 Mar 18	Race Day 3	RYCT	Mid-river	1155 hours
7 Apr 18	Reserve Day			

7. **GROUP ALLOCATION**

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. All Groups can include AMS and/or IRC provided there are sufficient entries.

Group	Qualifying Boats
Group 1	PHS TCF greater than 1.000
Group 2 (including Non-spinnaker)	PHS TCF between 0.900 and 1.000
Group 3 (including Non-spinnaker)	PHS TCF between 0.800 and 0.900
Group 4	PHS TCF between 0.700 and 0.800
Group 5	Sports boats

Where entries are insufficient in any one group, boats from one group may be allocated to another group before the first race at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

8. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing Instructions will be available from the organising Clubs by 12 September 2017 and placed on the organising Clubs' websites.

9. **OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD**

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 after a race.

10. **RACING AREA**

The waters of the River Derwent

11. **COURSES**

As described in the Sailing Instructions.

12. **SCORING**

12.1 Races shall be scored based on handicap or rating system.

12.2 Minimum Number of Races:

Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

SERIES SCORE: When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

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.

When nine (9) or more races have been completed a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

13. PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded to the first boat in each group of the Short Course Championship

Additional trophies may be awarded but the organisers reserve the right to vary the number of trophies awarded based on the number of entries:

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

A minimum of 5 entries is required to constitute a class.

Individual race day prizes may be awarded by the Club conducting the events.

14. SHORT COURSE CHAMPIONSHIP PENNANTS

Combined Clubs will award pennants based on the results from all three Short Course Championship race days.

15. SAFETY

15.1 The minimum crew is two (2).

15.2 The attention of all persons taking part in the Combined Clubs Short Course Championship Series is drawn to the requirement to be aware of the application of the *Marine Safety (Misuse of Alcohol) Act, 2006*.

15.3 It is also recommended that entrants have a Man Overboard procedure that all crew members have practiced.

15.4 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).

15.5 Attention is also drawn to the requirement for boats to keep well clear of vessels under pilotage especially vessels proceeding through the Tasman Bridge.

16. LIABILITY DISCLAIMER

16.1 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. The BYC, DSS and RYCT their executives, boards, servants and agents and all other parties involved with the conduct and organisation of the Short Course Championship 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.

16.2 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.

16.3 The Combined Clubs reserve the right to refuse or cancel any entry.

COMBINED CLUBS SHORT COURSE CHAMPIONSHIP 2017/2018 ENTRY FORM



SECTION 1 – BOAT DETAILS

Sail Number: _____ Name of Boat: _____

Name of Person in Charge: _____ AS Number: _____

Design of Boat: _____ Preferred Class Group: _____

Boat Achievements (for publicity purposes): _____

Safety Category of Boat: Category 5 Category 7

SECTION 2 – ENTRY DETAILS

Series Entry: \$90.00 Additional Handicap Group: AMS \$25.00 IRC \$25.00

Single Day Entry: \$35.00 Additional Handicap Group: AMS \$10.00 IRC \$10.00

Single Race Date: _____ Total Race Entry: \$ _____

SECTION 3 – OWNER/S DETAILS

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Post Code: _____

Contact Number: (H) _____ (M) _____

Email: _____

Financial Member of: BYC DSS RYCT GBBC OTHER

SECTION 4 – CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

That it is the sole and exclusive responsibility of each boat to decide whether or not to start in a race, or once having started, whether to continue to race.

The owner/person in charge acknowledges the possibility that risks will be created by or associated with the following and accepts those risks:

- (a) the perils of the sea;
- (b) the seaworthiness or otherwise of any boat participating;
- (c) The participation, including negligent participation, by all persons associated with Club races, including participation as owner, person in charge, crew person, race organiser or otherwise;
- (d) The defaults, acts and omissions of the conducting Clubs, and their officers, and crews of boats.

The owner/person in charge acknowledges that the Organising Clubs do not, and cannot, control, diminish or affect the perils of the sea. The owner/person in charge acknowledges that the Conducting Clubs do not certify or carry out inspections with respect to the seaworthiness or suitability of any boat. Participation by the boat and by the crew is agreed on the basis that participation is entirely at the risk of the owner/person in charge and each member of the crew. The owner/person in charge will advise each crew member or proposed crew member of the details of these conditions of entry.

I agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing, by AS Prescriptions thereto, by the Sailing Instructions, all other rules that govern the events and the provisions of the Club Registration Form which I have lodged and/or revalidated. I also declare that my boat complies with the safety Requirements of the appropriate part of the AS Safety Regulations, as listed in Section 2, the Safety Requirements of the appropriate Statutory Authority and the Safety Requirements of the Class Rules.

Signed by Owner/Person in Charge: _____

This entry is invalid unless the boat complies with section 1 of the Sailing Instructions and a current AS special regulations equipment audit form is signed

OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Received: _____ Invoice Number: _____ Top Yacht Entered: Audit Form Checked: