

Harcourts Hobart



NOTICE OF RACE

SUNDAY 10 DECEMBER 2023

Organising Authority:



1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The race is organised and conducted by the Derwent Sailing Squadron (DSS) or the Organising Authority (OA).

2. RULES

- 2.1. The race will be governed by the rules, as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RSS) of World Sailing, including: Except as amended by this NoR and/or the Sailing Instructions (SI).
- 2.2. The race will be governed by the current versions of the Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS). Where Australian Standards are specified in the AS Special Regulations, equipment marked as satisfying a recognised equivalent international standard may be accepted;
- 2.3. Boats shall comply with AS Special Regulations Part 1. Category 7 with the exception of the SB20 fleet that shall comply with either Category 7 or a valid SB20 Australia - SB20 Equipment Audit Form. A fully operational VHF radio is mandatory.
- 2.4. Changes to RSS:
 - 2.4.1. RRS 55.2 is changed to allow the use of fixed or retractable spinnaker poles and bowsprits for the purpose of setting asymmetrical spinnakers.
 - 2.4.2. RRS 52 is modified:
 - a. to allow adjustment of movable ballast or canting keels on any boat and the use of stored power to do so;
 - b. to allow the use of stored power for sail handling and sail trimming on any boat; and
 - c. to allow self-steering equipment to be used by boats. the 2021-2024 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) of World Sailing (WS);
- 2.5. Protest Arbitration-Appendix T of the RRS applies.
- 2.6. The minimum number of adult crew to be on board shall be three (3) unless dispensation sought in writing from the OA is granted by the Race Committee before a race

3. ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1. Entry is open to owners of boats affiliated with Australian Sailing.
- 3.2. Crew Declaration.
 - 3.2.1. For this race a boat shall, prior to their Warning Signal, submit a Crew Declaration via TOPYACHT.

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 3.3.

3.2.3. Boats that do not comply with NoR 3.2.1 and NoR 3.2.2 will be scored DSQ without a hearing. This changes A5.1 RRS (2021-24).

3.3. All crew members must comply with the AS Prescription to RRS 46 as amended by AS. All participating crew members shall be a member of a club affiliated to Australian Sailing or a Sail Pass holder.

3.4. The OA's Race Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any entry.

4. ENTRY

4.1. Entries should be lodged via the OA's website by no later than 17:00 on Friday 08 December 2023.

4.2. No entry will be deemed to have been accepted until approved by the OA's Race Committee and until a self-assessed Australian Sailing (AS) 2021-24 Special Regulations Equipment Audit Form for the appropriate safety category or a valid SB20 Australia - SB20 Equipment Audit Form, for an SB20 entry, has been lodged with the Race Office.

4.3. Boats may enter as Spinnaker or Non-Spinnaker.

4.4. Entry fees - \$20

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 RACE

DAY	DATE	START	FIRST WARNING SIGNAL
Sunday	10 December 23	Castray Esplanade	13:00

7. GROUP ALLOCATION

The Bridge to Bridge Race will be conducted in allocated handicap classes. The Race Committee will allocate boats according to size, known performance and TCF handicaps (where known). The composition of each group will be displayed on the noticeboard and be available from 16:00 on the Friday 8 December 2023.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available from the OA website.

9. OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD

The official Notice Board will be located in the window of the office adjacent the DSS main entrance.

10. RACING AREA

The waters of the River Derwent.

11. COURSES

As described in the SI.

12. SCORING

Races shall be scored based on PHS handicaps.

13. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded at the Derwent Sailing Squadron at the conclusion of racing. Competitors are invited to the post-race marina party at the Squadron where prizes will be presented after racing.

14. SAFETY

- 14.1. The attention of all persons taking part in the Bridge to Bridge is drawn to the requirement to be aware of the application of the Marine Safety (Misuse of Alcohol) Act, 2006.
- 14.2. It is also recommended that entrants have a Man Overboard procedure that crew members have practiced.
- 14.3. Boats must report any serious on water incidents to the Race Officer/Race Committee/OA as soon as practical (for example man overboard, collision, grounding or crew injury).
- 14.4. Attention is also drawn to the requirement for boats to keep well clear of vessels under pilotage especially vessels proceeding through the Tasman Bridge.

15. MEDIA RIGHTS

The owner or charterer of a competing boat and all crew members shall grant the DSS unconditional, perpetual right and authority to publish and broadcast anywhere in the world, for any purpose and in any medium, names, images, data of the crew and still and moving images of the boat and its crew prior to, during and after any DSS.

16. PRIVACY NOTICE

Personal information about crew members is obtained in the crew lists for use in case of emergency. If necessary, the information will be provided to 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 OA.

17. LIABILITY DISCLAIMER

- 17.1. All persons taking part in this series, whether as entrants or otherwise, do so at their own risk and responsibility. Particular attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 3 Decision to Race.
- 17.2. The OA, its executives, boards, servants and agents and all other parties involved with the conduct and organisation of the Bridge to Bridge 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 this race covered by this NoR and by the SI.
- 17.3. The OA is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.
- 17.4. The OA reserves the right to refuse or withdraw any entry.