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2023-2024 RYCT | DSS | BYC - SAILING PROGRAM

Combined Clubs - Long Race Pennant		
Sat	14 Oct 23	RYCT
Sat	04 Nov 23	DSS
Sat	02 Dec 23	BYC
Sat	03 Feb 24	RYCT
Sat	16 Mar 24	DSS

Combined Clubs - Harbour Pennant		
Sat	21 Oct 23	BYC
Sat	18 Nov 23	RYCT
Sat	20 Jan 24	BYC
Sat	17 Feb 24	DSS
Sat	23 Mar 24	RYCT

Wednesday CC Midweek Series 1		
DSS	BYC	RYCT
	11 Oct 23	18 Oct 23
25 Oct 23	01 Nov 23	08 Nov 23
15 Nov 23	22 Nov 23	29 Nov 23
06 Dec 23	13 Dec 23	
Midweek Luncheon 20 Dec 23 Hosted by DSS		

Wednesday CC Midweek Series 2		
DSS	BYC	RYCT
		10 Jan 24
17 Jan 24	24 Jan 24	31 Jan 24
07 Feb 24	14 Feb 24	21 Feb 24
28 Feb 24	06 Mar 24	13 Mar 24
Midweek Luncheon 20 Mar 24 Hosted by BYC		

Wednesday CC Midweek Series 3		
DSS	BYC	RYCT
27 Mar 24		03 Apr 24
10 Apr 24	17 Apr 24	24 Apr 24
1 May 24	08 May 24	15 May 24
22 May 24	29 May 24	
Midweek Luncheon 5 Jun 24 Hosted by RYCT		

Offshore Races	
25 Oct 23	BYC - Offshore Overnight Race
10 Nov 23	RYCT - Maria Island Race
25 Nov 23	DSS - Two Capes Race
10 Feb 24	RYCT - Bruny Island Race

Christmas Offshore Events	
26 Dec 23	CYCA / RYCT - Sydney to Hobart
27 Dec 23	DSS / TYC - Launceston to Hobart
27 Dec 23	ORCV / DSS - Melbourne to Hobart

Prize Nights	
4 May 24	Combined Clubs Prize Night - RYCT
10 May 24	DSS Prize Night
18 May 24	BYC Prize Night
24 May 24	RYCT Prize Night

DSS/RYCT - Twilight incl SB20 Pennant	
Pre-Christmas - RYCT Pennant	
DSS	RYCT
05 Oct 23	12 Oct 23
19 Oct 23	02 Nov 23
09 Nov 23	16 Nov 23
23 Nov 23	30 Nov 23
07 Dec 23	14 Dec 23

DSS/RYCT - Twilight incl SB20 Pennant	
Post-Christmas - DSS Pennant	
DSS	RYCT
	11 Jan 24
18 Jan 24	01 Feb 24
08 Feb 24	15 Feb 24
22 Feb 24	29 Feb 24
07 Mar 24	14 Mar 24
21 Mar 24	



BYC Twilight Series	
Pre-Xmas	Post-Xmas
4 Oct 23	10 Jan 24
11 Oct 23	24 Jan 24
18 Oct 23	31 Jan 24
* 25 Oct 23	7 Feb 24
1 Nov 23	14 Feb 24
8 Nov 23	21 Feb 24
15 Nov 23	28 Feb 24
22 Nov 23	6 Mar 24
29 Nov 23	20 Mar 24
13 Dec 23	
* Twilight Pursuit Race - Trophy Race	

BYC Womens Twilight Series	
6 Dec 23	
17 Jan 24	
13 Mar 24	

BYC Winter Series - TBC	
DSS Winter Series - TBC	
RYCT Winter Series - TBC	

DSS	
Autumn Double Handed Series	
05 May 24	
12 May 24	
19 May 24	
26 May 24	
02 Jun 24 - TBC	

Regattas		
From	To	Event
15 Sep 23	17 Sept 23	DSS/KYC - Pipe Opener
25 Nov 23	26 Nov 23	SBSC - PJ Super Series
9 Dec 23	10 Dec 23	RYCT - Showdown OTB
13 Jan 24	14 Jan 24	DSS - Ratings Regatta
19 Jan 24	21 Jan 24	KYC - Channel Challenge/Tim Malone
26 Jan 24	28 Jan 24	BYC - Taranna Tasman Regatta
23 Feb 24	25 Feb 24	BYC - Crown Series
02 Mar 24	03 Mar 24	DSS Women's Regatta
08 Mar 24	10 Mar 24	RYCT/PCSC - Port Cygnet Regatta
29 Mar 24	31 Mar 24	RYCT/Port Esperance - Dover Regatta
3 May 24	5 May 24	RYCT Navigation Cruise

Other Events	
07 Oct 23	DSS\RYCT\BYC Opening Day
08 Oct 23	RYCT - Bligh Point Channel Race
11 Nov 23	BYC - Terry Bragg Memorial Race
19 Nov 23	BYC - Sail Day
10 Dec 23	DSS - Bridge to Bridge Race
02 Jan 24	DSS - King of the Derwent
21 Jan 24	BYC - Pursuit Race
24 Mar 24	BYC - Sail Day
6 Apr 24	KBC - Barnes Bay Regatta
13 Apr 24	BYC - Almost One-Design Regatta

SECTION 1

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS & SAFETY REQUIREMENT

1. RULES

1.1. THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND PROGRAM FOR THE 2023-24 SAILING SEASON, CONDUCTED BY THE ROYAL YACHT OF TASMANIA (RYCT), BELLERIVE YACHT CLUB (BYC) AND DERWENT SAILING SQUADRON (DSS) (THE COMBINED CLUBS).

1.1.1. Races will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RSS) 2021-2024.

1.1.2. All races will also be governed by 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.

1.2. ALTERATIONS TO CLASS RULES AND RACING RULES

1.2.1. RRS 52 is changed:

- i. to allow adjustment of movable ballast or canting keels on any boat and the use of stored power to do so;
- ii. to allow the use of stored power for sail handling and sail trimming on any boat; and
- iii. to allow self-steering equipment to be used by boats who have been granted a dispensation to race two handed in the Combined Clubs Long Race Pennant Series.

1.2.2. RRS 55.2 is changed to allow the use of fixed or retractable spinnaker poles and bowsprits for the purpose of setting asymmetrical spinnakers.

1.2.3. RRS 63.1 and A5.1 are changed by adding the following "The Race Committee may apply penalties without a hearing to boats which infringe the Sailing Instructions relating to keeping clear of starting and finishing lines." Penalties shall be as specified in the Sailing Instructions (SI) of each Combined Clubs (CC) event.

1.3. CODE OF CONDUCT & MISCONDUCT

1.3.1. Competitors are expected to comply with the Basic Principles outlined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.

1.3.2. Competitors, boat owners or support persons have an obligation not to commit an act of misconduct. Misconduct is described in the Racing Rules of Sailing as:

- Conduct that is a breach of good manners, a breach of good sportsmanship, or unethical behaviour, or

- Conduct that has brought or may bring the sport into disrepute.
- 1.3.3. Any hearing arising from clause 1.3.2 will be conducted by a Protest Committee in accordance with RRS 69.2.
- 1.3.4. The principles of the Australian Sailing Member Protection Policy Codes of Behaviour should be followed and in particular:
- i. General Code of Conduct;
 - ii. Volunteer Administrator Code of Conduct;
 - iii. Sailing Participant Code of Conduct; and
 - iv. Officials Code of Conduct.

1.4. CRISIS SAFETY PLAN

- 1.4.1. The CC have a joint planned procedure that will apply should an emergency occur during a race.
- 1.4.2. If the Race Officer (RO) decides that a situation warrants assistance, the RO will direct a previously designated boat, or boats, to the rescue work. A boat acting under RO instructions may display code flag D and must be given complete clearance by all other vessels.
- 1.4.3. River Derwent Safety Facilities & Procedures Instructions are detailed at the end of this Section.

2. RESPONSIBILITY AND SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 2.1. All persons taking part in CC events, 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.
- 2.2. The RYC, BYC and DSS, their executives, boards, servants and agents and all other parties involved with the conduct and organisation of CC events 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 (NoR) and by the SI.
- 2.3. The CC are not individually or collectively responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.
- 2.4. The attention of all persons is drawn to the requirement to be aware of the application of the Marine Safety (Misuse of Alcohol) Act) 2006.
- 2.5. It is recommended that entrants have a Man Overboard procedure that all crew members have practiced.

- 2.6. 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) and may be required to provide a detailed written report on the incident.
- 2.7. Attention is also drawn to the requirement for boats to keep well clear of vessels under pilotage which will display Code Flag H, especially vessels proceeding through the Tasman Bridge.
- 2.8. All boats taking part in races or other events, shall comply with the AS Special Regulations Race Categories as listed in each Series Sailing Instructions. A boat may be inspected at any time and shall demonstrate compliance with the required regulations.
- 2.9. **ANCHORS** - No boat is to have an anchor protruding over the bow of the boat while competing in any Club sailing event.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND REGISTRATION

- 3.1. **REFUSAL OF ENTRIES** - The Race Committee reserves the right to refuse, reject or cancel any entry. An entry or registration is not valid until accepted by the relevant Race Committee.
- 3.2. **ELIGIBILITY OF BOATS** - Entries for races are valid only from boats which lodge the required Australian Sailing Special Regulations Equipment Audit Form at one of the CC and for which entry and membership fees have been paid.
- 3.3. **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 (1) incident.
- 3.4. **CHANGE OF PERSON IN CHARGE** - There shall be one Person in Charge nominated for each race on the Online Entry. Changes of Person in Charge shall be notified before the start of the race affected. Any boat sailing under the Clubs PHS rule which notified a change of Person in Charge may be liable to change of TCF.
- 3.5. **NOTIFICATION OF CHANGES AFFECTING PERFORMANCE** - The Race Committee must be notified in writing of any changes affecting or likely to affect a boat's performance and the change(s) must be approved before the first race affected by the change. A boat affected in this way may be liable to a change in TCF.

4. ENTRIES

- 4.1. All entries are to be made online on one of the CC websites.
- 4.2. Entries for the CC Harbour Pennant Series, Combined Clubs Long Race Pennant Series and Combined Clubs Midweek Series close at 17:00 on the Friday one week before the first race of the series.

4.3. Entries for each club's Twilight Series close at 17:00 on the Tuesday (BYC) or on the Wednesday (DSS/RYCT) before the first race of the series.

4.4. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee.

4.5. QUALIFICATION FOR CLUB PENNANT SERIES

4.5.1. Boats will automatically qualify for entry into their home club's respective Pennants Series.

4.5.2. Non-members wishing to be eligible for the RYCT Pennant Series are required to pay an additional entry fee of \$50 for each of the RYCT PHS Pennants, \$30 for each of the RYCT IRC Pennants and \$50 for each of the RYCT ORC Pennants.

5. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

5.1. Any changes to Sailing Instructions will be notified by posting on the official notice board of the host club, at least two (2) hours before the start of the race to which the changes are to apply. Code flag L will be displayed notifying of this change from the host club's flagstaff on that day. Another club may also display Sailing Instruction amendments.

5.2. Combined Clubs Official Race Notice Boards positions:

5.2.1. Bellerive Yacht Club: Lower ground floor, opposite the Sailing Office.

5.2.2. Derwent Sailing Squadron: in the window of the Office adjacent to the Squadron entrance.

5.2.3. Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania: in the window at the south-eastern corner of the Clubhouse.

6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

6.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the clubs involved in the race on the club's main flagpole. The identifying flags of the Groups, Division or Classes to which a signal applies may be displayed as part of the signal.

6.2. FLAG AP, ANSWERING PENNANT with two (2) sound signals means 'the race is postponed' – competitors should not leave the shore or marina until it is removed. The Warning Signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after AP with one (1) sound signal is removed. Flag AP alone applies to all Groups or Classes. When displayed over Group or Class flags, it shall apply to the designated Groups or Classes only.

7. STARTING AND FINISHING LINES

7.1. After a warning signal has been made, boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and of all boats whose warning signal has been made. Boats who have finished shall keep clear of the finishing line and boats which are yet to finish.

7.2. Boats shall not sail through any starting or finishing line except when starting or finishing correctly or as required by the Sailing Instructions.

- 7.3. Boats shall not sail through the starting or finishing line of other sailing events.
- 7.4. The starting or finishing lines referred to in 7.2 and 7.3 shall be designated obstructions in accordance with the definitions of the RRS.
- 7.5. A boat committing a breach of 7.2 or 7.3 while boats are in a starting sequence or finishing on that starting or finishing line, as reported by the race committee conducting the start or finish, will be scored DSQ without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1.
- 7.6. A boat committing a breach of 7.2 or 7.3 when boats are not in a starting sequence or finishing shall be penalised by having two (2) minutes added to their elapsed time without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1.

8. PROTESTS PENALTIES AND ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES

- 8.1. Protests shall be lodged at the RYCT, BYC or DSS within two (2) hours of the last boat finishing in the last race of the day or the Race Committee signalling 'No More Racing Today'. The protest will be heard at a time determined by the Protest Committee.
- 8.2. CC races protest may be lodged at BYC, DSS or RYCT. For other series protests should be lodged at the organising club's office. Protest lodgement times are detailed in the Sailing Instructions for each series.
- 8.3. Official notification to all parties to a protest will be by posting the protests, as received, on the official notice board in accordance with RRS 63.2 and will include the date, time and place of the hearing. Parties to the protests may be advised verbally or by phone, mail or email to numbers/addresses listed on the entry form, however non-receipt of such notification shall not be grounds for further protest or redress.
- 8.4. Protests lodged by the race committee or protest committee under RRS 60.2 and 60.3 may be lodged not later than 18:00, up to the third working day after the event or hearing is completed.
- 8.5. PENALTIES LESS THAN DSQ - refer to the NoR for each series.
- 8.6. PROTEST ARBITRATION - Appendix T Arbitration of the RSS applies.

9. COMMUNICATIONS

- 9.1. See Clause 12 for details of the communications facilities available.
- 9.2. OUTSIDE HELP – USE OF RADIO - Except in an emergency or as required by Sailing Instructions, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

10. RETIREMENTS

Any boats retiring for any reason shall report to the Race Committee the circumstances as soon as possible after her retirement.

11. PENNANT CHAMPIONSHIPS AND OTHER SERIES

11.1. PENNANT POINTS SCORING

11.1.1. Races in a series and races to be scored for a boat's series score are detailed in the Sailing Instructions for each series.

11.2. PENNANTS OR SERIES PRIZES

11.2.1. Shall be awarded on the following basis:

- In PHS Handicap Groups to the boat gaining the least number of points for placings using TCFs.
- In One Design Groups to the boat gaining the least number of points for placings across the line.
- In IRC or ORC Groups to the boat gaining the least number of points for placings using IRC or ORC allowances.

11.2.2. The Bellerive Yacht Club Pennant will be awarded to Bellerive Yacht Club Members based on races conducted on the following days and subject to on scoring defined in the NoR for the Combined Clubs Harbour Pennant Series and Combined Clubs Long Race Pennant Series races for which BYC is the host club together with races on the BYC Sail Day's.

- Combined Clubs Harbour Pennant Series – Race day 1- 21 October 2023 - BYC
- Bellerive Yacht Club Sail Day – 19 November 2023 - BYC
- Combined Clubs Long Race Pennant Series- Race day 3 - 02 December 2023 - BYC
- Combined Clubs Harbour Pennant Series – Race day 3 -20 January 2024 - BYC
- Bellerive Yacht Club Sail Day – 24 March 2024 2023 - BYC

11.2.3. The Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania will award separate Harbour Pennant Series and Long Race Pennant Series based on the full series results of the CC Harbour Pennant Series and Long Race Pennant Series subject to scoring as described in Combined Clubs Harbour Pennant Series & Long Race Pennant Series NoR. RYCT perpetual trophies will be awarded on the Pennant results of the Harbour Series.

11.2.4. The Derwent Sailing Squadron Pennant (DSS) will be awarded to Derwent Sailing Squadron Members based on the full series results of the Combined Clubs Harbour Pennant Series and Long Race Pennant Series subject to scoring as described in Combined Clubs Harbour

Pennant Series & Long Race Pennant Series NoR. The DSS Sailing Committee reserves the right in awarding the DSS Pennant.

11.3. OFFSHORE SERIES

11.3.1. The Combined Clubs Offshore Series Notice of Series outlines the Points System, Scoring and Trophies to be awarded.

11.3.2. The Combined Clubs perpetual trophy for this season will be awarded to the boats with the lowest aggregate scores in each of the PHS, IRC and ORC Groups of:

- | | |
|------------------------|----------------------------|
| ✧ Overnight Race (BYC) | ✧ Maria Island Race (RYCT) |
| ✧ Two Capes Race (DSS) | ✧ Bruny Island Race (RYCT) |

12. RIVER DERWENT SAFETY FACILITIES AND PROCEDURES APPLICABLE TO EVENTS CONDUCTED BY BYC, DSS AND RYCT

The Combined Clubs Committee identified that there are a number of issues and risk around incidents that occur on-water, and the need for communication with emergency services.

The most important point of contact that is to be made is one where the Emergency Services have the highest likelihood of communicating with someone in a position to provide First Aid or in the immediate vicinity of any person injured on the water.

The ability to directly communicate with Emergency Services should be, where possible, the first contact, with a subsequent follow up with the host Club to ensure ease of passage for Emergency Vehicles.

12.1. PROCEDURE

The following should be used by those conducting or involved in activities on-water.

- i. Where possible, communications with Emergency Services should occur directly from those attending a person who is injured or in need to medical support. This means that, if possible, a person with the injured person should dial 000 and remain on the call until advised otherwise. If there is any doubt that Emergency Services have been contacted there should be a contact made.
- a. **EMERGENCY PICK UP POINT:** Should a boat require emergency medical assistance the Race Officer (RO) may direct boats to a nominated meeting point for Emergency Services at:
 - ✧ The Kangaroo Bay Ferry Terminal adjacent to the Waterfront Hotel
 - ✧ MAST floating dock at King's Pier Marina – Elizabeth Pier, Hobart
 - ✧ Unless specific alternative arrangements are notified by the Emergency Services.

- b. If there is a need for an alternative pickup location this should be communicated subsequently with the Race Officer via the Race Frequency.
- ii. Once direct communications with Emergency Services are underway there must be contact made with the RO via the Race Frequency at the earliest possible opportunity.
- iii. It is important to provide the following to the Emergency Services.
 - ✧ The injured person's name, nature of the injury, and any developing information; and
 - ✧ what is the response plan from those attending i.e. bringing the person to shore at speed, slowly bringing them ashore to prevent further injury etc.
- iv. Following any incident, a report/declaration shall be completed and a debrief may be conducted with the persons attending and with any relevant parties by the host Club representative.
 - ✧ **DECLARATION FORM** – this should be completed where a rule is NOT observed during racing.
 - ✧ **INCIDENT FORM** - as outlined in Section 1 – 2.6 or as required by the Marine and Safety (Maritime Incidents) Regulations 2017 – see below
- v. It is a requirement under the Marine and Safety (Maritime Incidents) Regulations 2017 that incidents involving Recreational Vessels are report to MAST. The MAST Incident Report Form outlines reportable incidents: <https://mast.tas.gov.au/safe-boating/emergencies-incidents/>

12.2. **RADIO MONITORING:** Individual Clubs will monitor radio communications on a Club's Race Day.

12.3. **SEEKING ASSISTANCE:** a boat seeking assistance may do so by:

- ✧ Use of radio - CALL on VHF Race Channel or VHF Channel 16.
- ✧ Use mobile phone Emergency Services on 000
- ✧ Displaying a standard distress sheet.
- ✧ By a crew member hand signalling by continually raising both arms above the head and lowering to the sides at five second intervals, or a flag or other object on a spar waved from side to side through an arc of 30 degrees either side of the vertical at five second intervals.
- ✧ Use of flares.
- ✧ Crew in water shall signal by one arm raised above the head for three seconds at five second intervals.

- ✧ When a boat is in difficulty with its sails lowered, some highly visible article such as an orange or yellow garment should be hoisted on a halyard as an aid to visibility to rescue crew.

12.4. **PERSONAL BUOYANCY:** when Committee Boats or start boxes display Code Flag Y alone with one (1) sound signal before or with the Warning Signal approved life jackets shall be worn while racing by all competitors. Code Flag Y displayed ashore on the Club's main flag mast shall mean that approved life jackets shall be worn by all competitors at all times while afloat. See RRS40 and Race Signals.

12.5. **OFFICIAL PATROL BOAT DISCRETION:** Official Patrol Boats shall use their own discretion as to necessary action in rescue operations except when the RO issues a specific overriding instruction.



SECTION 2

COMBINED CLUBS HARBOUR PENNANT SERIES

The following Sailing Instructions, in addition to those detailed in Section 1, are applicable to all Groups in the Combined Clubs Harbour Pennant Series.

1. SCHEDULE OF RACES

1.1. Groups 1 will have up to two (2) races on each race day.

1.2. Groups 2 and 3 will have one (1) race on each day.

RACE	DAY	DATE	HOST CLUB	START/FINISH
Day 1	Saturday	21 Oct 2023	BYC	Midriver
Day 2	Saturday	18 Nov 2023	RYCT	Midriver
Day 3	Saturday	20 Jan 2024	BYC	Midriver
Day 4	Saturday	17 Feb 2024	DSS	Midriver
Day 5	Saturday	23 Mar 2024	RYCT	Midriver

2. CREW DECLARATION

2.1. Crew Declaration

2.1.1. For each race a boat shall submit a Crew Declaration via TOPYACHT before its warning signal.

2.1.2. The Crew Declaration shall confirm that the boat intends to race and shall include required details of persons on board as follows:

- Name;
- Contact phone number;
- Australian Sailing Number in accordance with SI 2.2; and
- Emergency Contact name and contact number

2.1.3. Boats that do not comply with SI 2.1.1 and SI 2.1.2 (i, ii & iii) will be scored DSQ without a hearing for the relevant race. This changes A5.1 RRS (2021-24).

- 2.2. All crew members must comply with the AS Prescription to RRS 46. All participating crew members shall be a member of a club affiliated to Australian Sailing or hold a valid SailPass.

3. GROUPS

- 3.1. The Harbour Pennant Series will be conducted in allocated groups. 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 each club's notice board and be available from 16:00 on the Friday before the first race of the series.

4. FIRST WARNING SIGNAL TIMES & GROUP IDENTIFIERS

- 4.1. The starting signal will be five (5) minutes after the warning signal.

GROUP	WARNING SIGNAL	STARTING TIME	GROUP NUMERAL
Group 1	13:25	13:30	1
Group 2	13:30	13:35	2
Group 3	13:35	13:40	3
Group 4	13:40	13:45	4

5. STARTING AREA, STARTING AND FINISHING LINES

- 5.1. STARTING LINE – Midriver Start

The midriver starting line will be between an orange staff or orange flag on the Committee Boat and a yellow inflatable buoy.

The Committee Boat will be moored in an area bounded by a line between Castray Esplanade and Kangaroo Bluff to the north and Crayfish Point and Trywork Point to the south. The name of the Committee Boat for the day will be posted on the start list. It will be standing by on VHF Channel 14 if competitors require directions to the starting line.

- 5.2. MIDRIVER FINISHING LINE – Courses 01 to 04

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a Race Committee boat and a black and white chequered buoy.

- 5.3. CASTRAY ESPLANADE FINISHING LINE 1 – Courses 05 to 19 (Host Clubs DSS and RYCT).

Finishing Line 1 will be between the flagpole on the Castray Box and a yellow with red band inflatable buoy laid approximately east of Castray Box.

- 5.4. VICTORIA ESPLANADE FINISHING LINE 2 – Courses 05 to 19 (Host Club BYC).

Finishing line 2 will be between the flagpole on the Victoria Esplanade Box and a yellow with red band inflatable buoy laid approximately west of the Victoria Esplanade Box.

6. STARTING TIMES AND STARTING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1. After each start there may be a 30 second time lag in the displaying of the new Group identifier and course flag/course board but the time for the succeeding Group shall be taken from the signal indicating the start of the previous Group.
- 6.2. Competitors may be advised of starting procedure signals on VHF Channel 14.
- 6.3. Note: Boats should not transmit on VHF Channel 14 whilst a starting sequence is in progress except in an emergency.

7. RECALLS

- 7.1. Individual and General Recalls may be announced on VHF Channel 14. Failure to notify individual recalls by radio shall not be grounds for redress.

8. SHORTENING COURSE

- 8.1. Should the Race Committee decide to shorten course, Code flag S will be displayed on the Race Committee Boat or on the Castray Esplanade Box or Victoria Esplanade Box. This will be accompanied by two (2) sound signals and shall apply to all Groups unless group numeral signals are displayed, in which case it shall apply only to those Groups whose signal is displayed.
- 8.2. Boats shall finish from the course side of the finishing Line.
- 8.3. If a course is shortened for boats sailing courses 01 to 04 then mark 3 will not have a required side when approaching the finishing line to finish.

9. COURSE SIGNALS

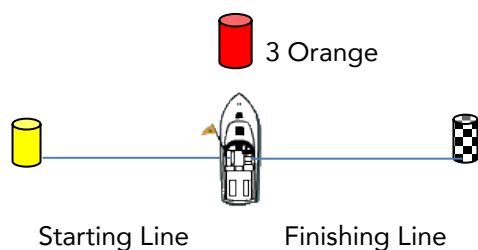
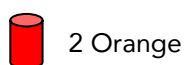
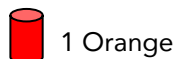
- 9.1. Courses will be indicated by course boards displayed on the Race Committee Boat.
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10. COURSES

Laid mark courses – Refer Diagram Below

COURSES 01 - 04 - MARKS ARE TO BE ROUNDED AND LEFT TO PORT

COURSE		APPROX. DISTANCE NM
01	Start → 1 → 2 → 3 → 1 → 3 → 1 → Finish	Variable
02	Start → 1 → 2 → 3 → 1 → Finish	Variable
03	Start → 1 → 3 → 1 → 3 → 1 → Finish	Variable
04	Start → 1 → 3 → 1 → Finish	Variable



Change of the next leg of the course.

To change the next leg of a course, in courses 01 to 04, a new mark as described below will be laid and the original mark will be removed as soon as practicable.

The new mark for Mark 1 will be a yellow mark with a black band.

In a subsequent change of course the new mark will be replaced with the original mark.

10.1. Fixed and laid mark courses – refer course cards. APPROX. DISTANCE NM

NOTE: SI 9.2 allows for a windward mark to be laid as the first mark of the course. Refer SI 9 for details.

COURSES 05- 16 - SHALL BE ROUNDED AND LEFT TO PORT

05	Start → A → C → H → C → Finishing line 1/2	16.3
06	Start → A → G → H → G → Finishing line 1/2	12.5
07	Start → P → H → A → P → Finishing line 1/2	10.3
08	Start → T → H → A → T → Finishing line 1/2	14.3

09	Start → T → H → A → P → Finishing line 1/2	12.5
10	Start → C → H → C → P → Finishing line 1/2	13.8
11	Start → W → A → T → Finishing line 1/2	16.5
12	Start → W → A → P → Finishing line 1/2	17.0
13	Start → ZC → H → ZC → Finishing line 1/2	16.8
14	Start → Q → A → G → Finishing line 1/2	20.1
15	Start → C → A → C → A → G → Finishing line 1/2	16.3
16	Start → ZC → R → Finishing line 1/2	12.0

COURSES 17 - 19 - SHALL BE ROUNDED AND LEFT TO STARBOARD

17	Start → R → ZC → Finishing line 1/2	12.0
18	Start → H → T → C → Finishing line 1/2	09.0
19	Start → PH → A → G → Finishing line 1/2	19.0

MARKS - POSITIONS, BEARING AND DISTANCES ARE APPROXIMATE ONLY

A	Yellow with red band inflatable buoy on a line between Victoria Esplanade and Castray Esplanade indicate the outer end of finishing lines 1 & 2.
C	Yellow inflatable buoy approximately 0.5 nm E of Cartwright Point. The buoy may be moved within 0.5 nm circle from that position.
G	Orange inflatable buoy with a black band 0.3nm E of John Garrow Light. The buoy may be moved within 0.3 nm circle from that position.
H	Orange permanent float mark 0.25nm SW of Howrah Point.
P	Orange permanent float mark 0.5nm SW of Punch's Reef.
PH	Yellow inflatable buoy 0.6nm WNW of The Pigeon Holes. The buoy may be moved within 0.3 nm circle from that position.
Q	Orange inflatable buoy 0.3nm E of the northern end of Blackmans Bay. The buoy may be moved within 0.3 nm circle from that position.
R	Yellow inflatable buoy in Ralphs Bay on a line NE of Gellibrand Point. The buoy may be moved within 0.3 nm circle from that position.
T	Orange permanent float mark 0.4nm SW of Tranmere Point.
W	Yellow inflatable buoy 0.4nm NNE of Gellibrand Point. The buoy may be moved within 0.3 nm circle from that position.

ZC Yellow inflatable buoy 0.4nm SE of Crayfish Point. The buoy may be moved within 0.3 nm circle from that position.

11. RACE AREA AND SAFETY CATEGORIES

The Harbour Pennant Series will be sailed on the River Derwent and will be Category 7. In all cases AS SR Section 5, 5.01.1 (j) (on a boat without lifelines complying with 3.12, a lifejacket complying with 5.01.1(i), shall be worn by each member of the crew while on deck) shall apply.

12. HANDICAPS

- 12.1. Competitors in the Harbour Pennant Series will have a PHS handicap. The Handicap Committee will set the handicaps before the first race of the series and these may be adjusted after each race. The Race Committee's choice of handicap is final and shall not be grounds for protest.
- 12.2. The Race Committee may, subject to minimum entry requirements as per SI 17.3, provide an IRC and/or an ORC result.
- 12.3. Boats entering IRC must have a current valid endorsed IRC certificate.
- 12.4. Boats entering ORCc must have a current, valid audited ORCc certificate or a current, valid ORCi certificate. The Single Number Scoring Option, All Purpose (AP) Time on Time will be used for scoring.

13. RESULTS

- 13.1. Official provisional result sheets will be displayed on the official notice board of each club before 12:00 on the first working day following the race. The time of posting thereof will be shown on the result sheet. Results will be published on each club's website as soon as possible after a race.
- 13.2. Races will be scored based on PHS handicaps and/or IRC and ORC ratings.

14. SCORING

14.1. MINIMUM NUMBER OF RACES

- 14.1.1. Two (2) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

14.2. SERIES SCORE - Groups 1

- 14.2.1. When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 14.2.2. When six (6) or seven (7) races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 14.2.3. When eight (8) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race score excluding her two (2) worst scores.

14.3. SERIES SCORE - Groups 2 & 3

14.3.1. When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

14.3.2. When five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

14.4. Boats wishing to compete in World Sailing or Australian Sailing sanctioned World and or National Championships during the Combined Clubs Sailing Season 2023-24 may apply to the Combined Clubs Committee to be awarded average points for a nominated race in the Harbour Pennant Series. If the application to the Combined Clubs Committee is successful then this changes RRS 62 and average points will be calculated as per RRS Appendix A10 (a).

15. PROTESTS

15.1. Protests must be lodged at the RYCT, BYC or DSS within two (2) hours of the last boat finishing in the last race of the day or the Race Committee signalling 'No More Racing Today'. The protest will be heard at a time determined by the Protest Committee.

16. PRIZES

16.1. A Pennant will be awarded to the first boat in each Harbour Pennant Series Group.

16.2. Additional prizes may be awarded but the OA reserve the right to vary the number of prizes awarded based on the number of entries as follows:

Five (5) entries	1st prize
Six (6) to nine (9) entries	1st and 2nd prizes
Ten (10) or more entries	1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes

16.3. A minimum of five (5) entries are required to constitute a Group.

16.4. Individual race day prizes may be awarded by the Host Club after the race.

17. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to these SIs will be posted on the official notice boards of each club by 17:00 on the Friday before the race.

18. TIME LIMITS

The time limit will be 18:30. Boats that have not then finished will be scored 'Did Not Finish' (DNF) without a hearing. This changes Rule 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.

19. NUMBER OF CREW

All boats are to carry a sufficient number of crew as per NoR 2.4.

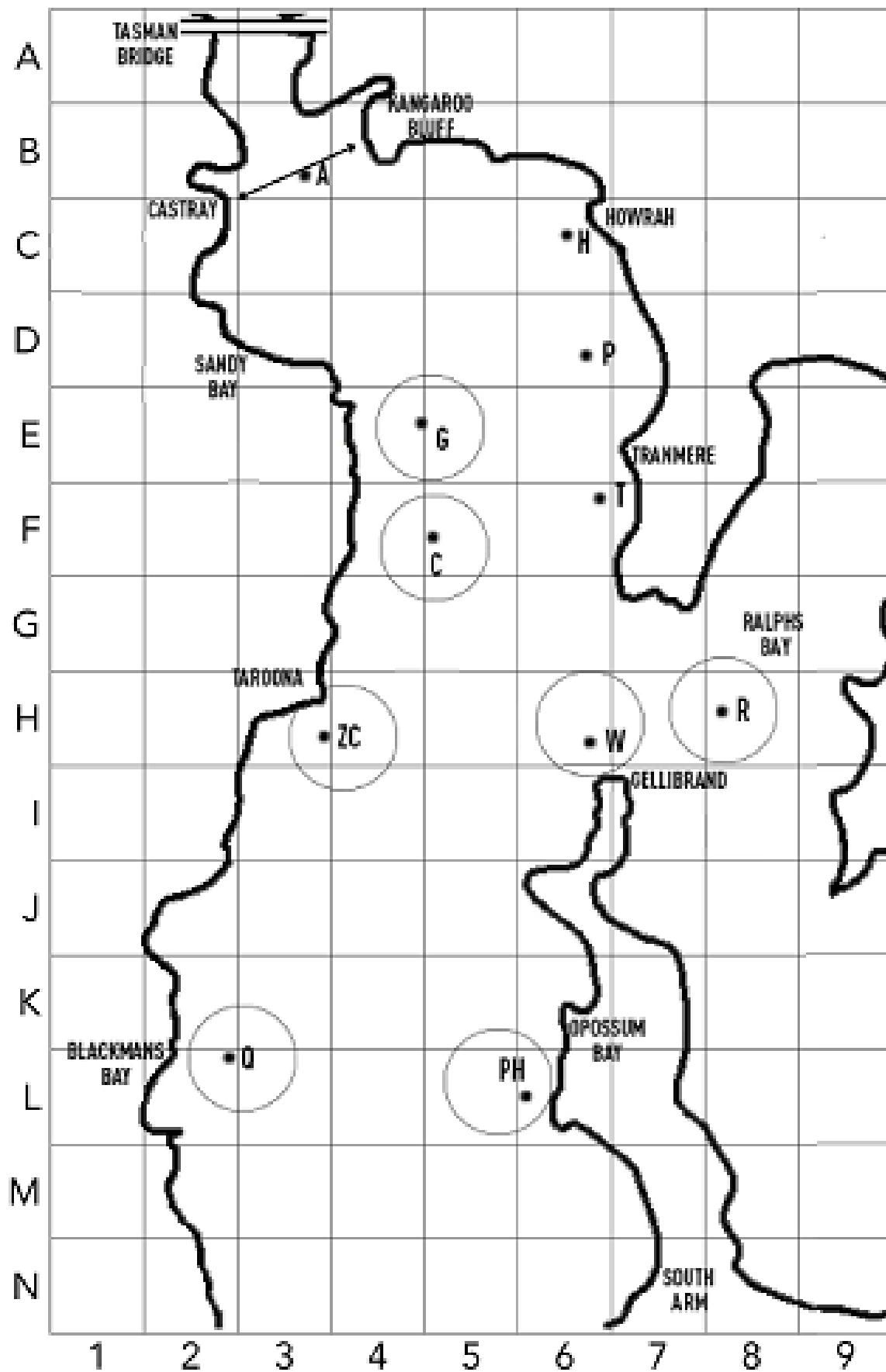
20. RETIREMENTS

Any boat retiring shall report the fact to the Race Committee as soon as possible.

21. RADIO INSTRUCTIONS

- 21.1. All competitors shall maintain a listening watch on VHF Channel 14 for announcements by the Race Committee. Competitors should also monitor VHF Channel 16 at all times.
- 21.2. The Race Committee may broadcast the course to be sailed, names/sail numbers of OCS boats and/or other information of interest to competitors.

SECTION 2 RACE COURSE CARD





SECTION 3

COMBINED CLUBS LONG RACE PENNANT SERIES

The following Sailing Instructions, in addition to those detailed in Section 1, are applicable to all Groups in the Combined Clubs Long Race Pennant Series.

1. SCHEDULE OF RACES

RACE	DAY	DATE	HOST CLUB	START	FINISH
Day 1	Saturday	14 Oct 2023	RYCT	Midriver	Finish Line 1 – Castray Esp
Day 2	Saturday	04 Nov 2023	DSS	Midriver	Finish Line 1 – Castray Esp
Day 3	Saturday	02 Dec 2023	BYC	Midriver	Finish Line 2 – Victoria Esp
Day 4	Saturday	03 Feb 2024	RYCT	Midriver	Finish Line 1 – Castray Esp
Day 5	Saturday	16 Mar 2024	DSS	Midriver	Finish Line 1 – Castray Esp

2. CREW DECLARATION

2.1. Crew Declaration

2.1.1. For each race a boat shall submit a Crew Declaration via TOPYACHT before their warning signal.

2.1.2. 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;
- iii. Australian Sailing Number in accordance with SI 2.2; and
- iv. Emergency contact name and number.

2.1.3. Boats that do not comply with SI 2.1.1 and SI 2.1.2 (i, ii, iii) will be scored DSQ without a hearing for the relevant race. This changes A5.1 RRS (2021-24).

2.2. All crew members must comply with the AS Prescription to RRS 46. All participating crew members shall be a member of a club affiliated to Australian Sailing or hold a valid SailPass.

3. GROUPS

The Long Race Pennant Series will be conducted in allocated groups. 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 each club's notice board and will be available from 16:00 on the Friday before the first race of the series.

4. FIRST WARNING SIGNAL TIMES & GROUP IDENTIFIERS

The starting signal will be five (5) minutes after the warning signal.

GROUP	WARNING SIGNAL	STARTING TIME	GROUP NUMERAL
Group 1	09:55	10:00	1
Group 2	10:00	10:05	2
Group 3	10:05	10:10	3
Group 4	10:10	10:15	4

5. STARTING AREA, STARTING AND FINISHING LINES

5.1. STARTING LINE – Midriver Start

The Midriver starting line will be between an orange staff or orange flag on the Committee Boat and a yellow inflatable buoy.

The Committee Boat will be moored in an area bounded by a line between Castray Esplanade and Kangaroo Bluff to the north and Crayfish Point and Trywork Point to the south. The name of the Committee Boat for the day will be posted on the start list. It will be standing by on VHF Channel 81 if competitors require directions to the starting line.

5.2. FINISHING LINE 1 – Castray Esplanade (Host Clubs DSS and RYCT)

Finishing line 1 will be between the flagpole on the Castray Box and a yellow with red band inflatable buoy laid approximately east of Castray Box.

5.3. FINISHING LINE 2 – Victoria Esplanade (Host Club BYC)

Finishing line 2 will be between the flagpole on the Victoria Esplanade Box and a yellow with red band inflatable buoy laid approximately west of the Victoria Esplanade Box.

6. STARTING TIMES AND STATING INSTRUCTIONS

6.1. After each start there may be a 30 second time lag in the displaying of the new Group Identifier and course flag/course board but the time for the succeeding Group shall be taken from the signal indicating the start of the previous Group.

6.2. Competitors may be advised of starting procedure signals on VHF Channel 81.

- 6.3. Note: Boats should not transmit on VHF Channel 81 whilst a starting sequence is in progress except in an emergency.

7. RECALLS

Individual and General Recalls may be announced on VHF Channel 81. Failure to notify individual recalls by radio shall not be grounds for redress.

8. SHORTENING COURSE

- 8.1. Should the Race Committee decide to shorten course, Code flag S will be displayed on the Finish Box. This will be accompanied by two (2) sound signals and shall apply to all Groups unless group numeral signals are displayed, in which case it shall apply only to those Groups whose signal is displayed.
- 8.2. Boats shall finish from the course side of the finishing line.

9. COURSE SIGNALS

- 9.1. Courses will be indicated by course boards displayed on the Race Committee Boat.
- 9.2. A windward laid mark may be laid as the first mark of the course after the start. This mark will be an orange inflatable buoy and if deployed will be laid approximately to windward at a distance of approximately 0.5 – 2.0 nautical miles from the starting line. The direction of rounding the windward mark will be indicated on the Race Committee Boat – green for starboard rounding and red for port rounding. If no signal is made, this mark is deleted from the course. The deployment or non-deployment of this mark may be advised by VHF Channel 81. Failure to advise will not be grounds for redress.

10. COURSES

Note: Where applicable all boats must pass to seaward of the Iron Pot and all Marks are to be rounded and left to starboard unless otherwise indicated.

COURSE

APPROX.

DISTANCE NM

NOTE: SI 9.2 allows for a windward mark to be laid as the first mark of the course. Refer SI 9 for details

01	Wedge Island Start → Wedge Island → Finishing line 1/2	48.4nm
02	Storm Bay Start → SB → Finishing line 1/2	33.0nm
03	Isle of Caves Start → the Isle of Caves (to Port) → Finishing line 1/2	50.6nm

04	Clifton Beach Start → CB → Finishing line 1/2	36.8nm
05	Betsey Island Start → Betsey Island → Finishing line 1/2	30.0nm
06	Betsey Island Start → Betsey Island (to Port) → Finishing line ½	30.0nm
07	Bligh Point → Channel Race Start → E (to Port) → Finishing line 1.	25.4nm
08	Green Island Start → Green Island → Finishing line 1/2	40.6nm
09	Seacroft Bay Start → S → Finishing line 1/2	19.4nm
10	Little Betsey Island Start → Little Betsey Island → Finishing line 1/2	28.4nm
11	Little Betsey Island & Yellow Bluff Start → Little Betsey Island → Y → Finishing line 1/2	33.6nm
12	Yellow Bluff Start → Y → Finishing line 1/2	28.7nm
13	Bull Bay Start → BB → Finishing line 1/2	24.8nm
14	Black Jack Rocks Start → Black Jack Rocks → Finishing line 1/2	29.0nm
15	Ralphs Bay & Piersons Point Start → R → K → Finishing line 1/2	21.5nm
16	Black Jack Rocks & Yellow Bluff Start → R → Black Jack Rocks → Y → Finishing line 1/2	35.2nm
17	Ralphs Bay & Black Jack Rocks Start → R → Black Jack Rocks → Finishing line 1/2	30.6nm
18	Blackmans Bay, Ralphs Bay & Blackmans Bay Start → Q (to Port) → R (to Port) → Q → Finishing line 1/2	24.2nm
19	Seacroft Bay, Blackmans Bay & Seacroft Bay Start → S → Q → S (to Port) → Finishing line 1/2	27.4nm

20	Seacroft Bay & Blackmans Bay Start → S → Q → Finishing line 1/2	20.9nm
21	Variety Bay Start → V → Finishing line 1/2	38.6nm
22	Pigeon Holes & Blackmans Bay Start → PH → Q → Finishing line 1/2	16.9nm
23	White Rock - John Garrow - White Rock Start → WR → G → WR → Finishing line ½	18.7nm
24	Ralphs Bay - John Garrow - Ralphs Bay Start → R → G → R → Finishing line 1/2	16.6nm
25	Pigeon Holes - John Garrow - White Rock Start → PH → G → WR → Finishing line 1/2	22.2nm
26	Storm Bay – Seacroft Bay – Storm Bay Start → SB → S → SB → Finishing line 1/2	46.4nm
27	Bull Bay (to Port) → Black Jack Rocks (to Port) → Finishing line 1/2 Start → BB → Black Jack Rocks → Finishing line 1/2	31nm

11. MARKS - POSITIONS, BEARING AND DISTANCES ARE APPROXIMATE ONLY

BB	Yellow inflatable buoy 0.3 nm E of Bull Bay Point (~43 05.4'S 147 22.9'E).
C	Orange inflatable buoy on a line between Cartwright Point and a position 1nm E of Cartwright Point.
CB	Orange inflatable buoy 0.5 nm S of Cape Deslacs (~42 59.7'S 147 33.2'E).
E	Yellow inflatable buoy 0.4 nm W of Bligh Point.
G	Orange inflatable buoy with black band 0.3 nm E of John Garrow Light.
K	Orange inflatable buoy 0.5 nm NE of Piersons Point (~43 02.9'S 147 21.0'E).
O	Yellow with a red band inflatable buoy to indicate the outer end of the finishing line 1 & 2.
PH	Yellow inflatable buoy 0.6 nm WNW of The Pigeon Holes (~43 00.3'S 147 23.1'E).
Q	Orange inflatable buoy 0.5 nm E of the Northern end of Blackmans Bay (~43.00.03'S 147 20.26'E).
R	Orange inflatable buoy in Ralphs Bay on a line NE of Gellibrand Point.
S	Orange inflatable buoy in Seacroft Bay midway between Johns Point and Cape Deliverance (~43 02.5'S 147 24.3'E).

- SB Orange inflatable buoy on a line between the Iron Pot and Wedge Is. approx. 5.5nm from the Iron Pot (~43 05.6'S 147 31.95'E).
- V Yellow inflatable buoy 0.5nm NE of Variety Bay (~43 12.0'S 147 25.7'E).
- WR Orange inflatable buoy laid 0.5 nm from, and within an arc, NW to SW of White Rock.
- Y Orange inflatable buoy 0.5 nm North of Yellow Bluff (~43 07. 2'S 147 24.0'E).

12. RACE AREA AND SAFETY CATEGORIES

- 12.1. The Long Race Pennant Series will be sailed on the River Derwent, D'Entrecasteaux Channel, Frederick Henry Bay and Storm Bay and will be Category 5 plus a permanently installed VHF transceiver in accordance with NoR 2.3 and carry a handheld VHF Radio in the cockpit in accordance with NoR 16.2.
- 12.2. In all cases AS SR Section 5, 5.01.1 (j) (on a boat without lifelines complying with 3.12, a lifejacket complying with 5.01.1(i), shall be worn by each member of the crew while on deck) shall apply.
- 12.3. In accordance with NoR 16.7 if a crew dispensation is granted by the Race Committee then each crew member shall wear a suitable lifejacket whilst racing.

13. HANDICAPS

- 13.1. Competitors in the Long Race Pennant Series will have a PHS handicap. The Handicap Committee will set the handicaps before the first race of the series and these may be adjusted after each race. The Race Committee's choice of handicap is final and shall not be grounds for protest.
- 13.2. The Race Committee may, subject to minimum entry requirements in SI 17.3 provide an IRC and/or an ORC result.
- 13.3. Boats entering IRC must have a current valid endorsed IRC certificate.
- 13.4. Boats entering ORCc must have a current, valid audited ORCc certificate or a current, valid ORCi certificate. The Single Number Scoring Option, All Purpose (AP) Time on Time will be used for scoring.

14. RESULTS

- 14.1. Official provisional result sheets will be displayed on the official notice board of each club before 12:00 on the first working day following the race. The time of posting thereof will be shown on the result sheet. Results will be published on each club's website as soon as possible after a race.
- 14.2. Races will be scored based on PHS handicaps and/or IRC and ORC ratings.

15. SCORING

15.1. MINIMUM NUMBER OF RACES

- 15.1.1. Two (2) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

15.2. SERIES SCORE

15.2.1. When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

15.2.2. When five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

15.3. Boats wishing to compete in World Sailing or Australian Sailing sanctioned World and or National Championships during the Combined Clubs Sailing Season 2023-24 may apply to the Combined Clubs Committee to be awarded average points for a nominated race in the Long Race Pennant Series. If the application to the Combined Clubs Committee is successful then this changes RRS 62 and average points will be calculated as per RRS Appendix A10 (a).

16. PROTESTS

Protests must be lodged at the RYCT, BYC or DSS within two (2) hours of the last boat finishing in the last race of the day or the Race Committee signalling "No More Racing Today". The protest will be heard at a time determined by the Protest Committee.

17. PRIZES

17.1. A Pennant will be awarded to the first boat in each Long Race Pennant Group.

17.2. Additional prizes may be awarded but the OA reserve the right to vary the number of prizes based on the number of entries as follows:

Five (5) entries 1st prize

Six (6) to nine (9) entries 1st & 2nd prizes

Ten (10) or more entries 1st, 2nd & 3rd prizes

17.3. A minimum of five (5) entries are required to constitute a Group.

17.4. Individual race day prizes may be awarded by the Host Club after the race.

18. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

18.1. Any changes to these SIs will be posted on the official notice boards of each club by 17:00 on the Friday before the race.

19. TIME LIMITS

19.1. The time limit shall be 18:30. Boats that have not then finished will be scored 'Did Not Finish' (DNF) without a hearing. This changes Rule 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.

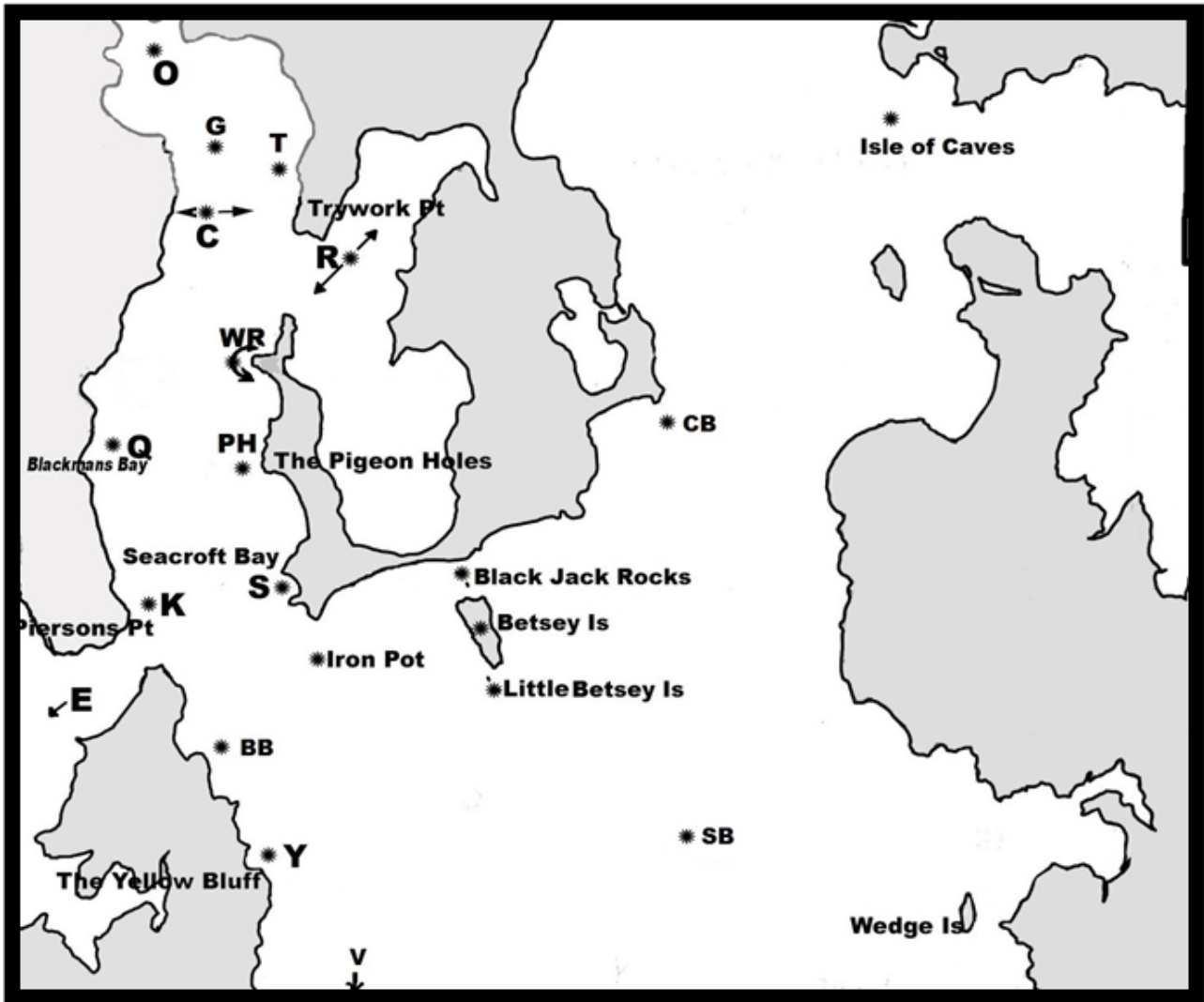
20. RETIREMENTS

20.1. Any boat retiring shall report the fact to the Race Committee as soon as possible.

21. RADIO INSTRUCTIONS

- 21.1. All competitors shall maintain a listening watch on VHF Channel 81 for announcements by the Race Committee. Competitors should also monitor VHF Channel 16 at all times.
- 21.2. The Race Committee may broadcast the course to be sailed, names/sail numbers of OCS boats and/or other information of interest to competitors.

SECTION 3 RACE COURSE CARD





SECTION 4

COMBINED CLUBS MIDWEEK SERIES

The following Sailing Instructions, in addition to those detailed in Section 1, are applicable to all Groups in the Combined Clubs Midweek Series 1-3 .

1. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Midweek Series One

RACE	DAY	DATE	HOST CLUB	START
Day 1	Wednesday	11 Oct 2023	BYC	Victoria Esplanade
Day 2	Wednesday	18 Oct 2023	RYCT	Castray Esplanade
Day 3	Wednesday	25 Oct 2023	DSS	Castray Esplanade
Day 4	Wednesday	01 Nov 2023	BYC	Victoria Esplanade
Day 5	Wednesday	08 Nov 2023	RYCT	Castray Esplanade
Day 6	Wednesday	15 Nov 2023	DSS	Castray Esplanade
Day 7	Wednesday	22 Nov 2023	BYC	Victoria Esplanade
Day 8	Wednesday	29 Nov 2023	RYCT	Castray Esplanade
Day 9	Wednesday	06 Dec 2023	DSS	Castray Esplanade
Day 10	Wednesday	13 Dec 2023	BYC	Victoria Esplanade
		20 Dec 2023	DSS	Luncheon

Midweek Series Two

RACE	DAY	DATE	HOST CLUB	START
Day 1	Wednesday	10 Jan 2024	RYCT	Castray Esplanade
Day 2	Wednesday	17 Jan 2024	DSS	Castray Esplanade
Day 3	Wednesday	24 Jan 2024	BYC	Victoria Esplanade
Day 4	Wednesday	31 Jan 2024	RYCT	Castray Esplanade
Day 5	Wednesday	07 Feb 2024	DSS	Castray Esplanade
Day 6	Wednesday	14 Feb 2024	BYC	Victoria Esplanade
Day 7	Wednesday	21 Feb 2024	RYCT	Castray Esplanade
Day 8	Wednesday	28 Feb 2024	DSS	Castray Esplanade
Day 9	Wednesday	06 Mar 2024	BYC	Victoria Esplanade
Day 10	Wednesday	13 Mar 2024	RYCT	Castray Esplanade
		20 Mar 2024	BYC	Luncheon

Midweek Series Three

RACE	DAY	DATE	HOST CLUB	START
Day 1	Wednesday	27 Mar 2024	DSS	Castray Esplanade
Day 2	Wednesday	03 Apr 2024	RYCT	CastrayEsplanade
Day 3	Wednesday	10 Apr 2024	DSS	Castray Esplanade
Day 4	Wednesday	17 Apr 2024	BYC	Victoria Esplanade
Day 5	Wednesday	24 Apr 2024	RYCT	Castray Esplanade
Day 6	Wednesday	01 May 2024	DSS	Castray Esplanade
Day 7	Wednesday	08 May 2024	BYC	Victoria Esplanade
Day 8	Wednesday	15 May 2024	RYCT	Castray Esplanade
Day 9	Wednesday	22 May 2024	BYC	Castray Esplanade
Day 10	Wednesday	29 May 2024	BYC	Victoria Esplanade
		05 Jun 2024	RYCT	Luncheon

2. CREW DECLARATION

2.1. Crew Declaration

2.1.1. For each race a boat shall submit a Crew Declaration via TOPYACHT before their warning signal.

2.1.2. 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;
- iii. Australian Sailing Number in accordance with SI 2.2; and
- iv. Emergency Contact name and number

2.1.3. Boats that do not comply with SI 2.1.1 and SI 2.1.2 (i, ii, iii) will be scored DSQ without a hearing for the relevant race. This changes A5.1 RRS (2021-24).

2.2. All crew members must comply with the AS Prescription to RRS 46. All participating crew members shall be a member of a club affiliated to Australian Sailing or hold a valid SailPass.

3. GROUPS

3.1. The Midweek Series races will be conducted in allocated groups. The Race Committee will allocate boats according to size, known performance and speed (where known). The composition of each Group and allocated start times will be displayed on each club's notice board. Midweek Series 1-3 will be available from 12:00 on the day of the race.

4. STARTING AREA, STARTING AND FINISHING LINES

4.1. **For DSS** - the starting and finishing lines will be between the main flagpole on the Castray Box and Mark O (orange inflatable buoy with a red band) approximately north east of the Castray Box.

- 4.2. **For RYCT** - the starting and finishing lines will be between the main flagpole on the Castray Box and Mark O (an orange flag mark) approximately north east of the Castray Box.
- 4.3. **For BYC** - the starting and finishing line will be between the flagpole on the BYC Victoria Esplanade Box and Mark A (a black and white chequered inflatable buoy) approximately west of the BYC Victoria Esplanade Box.

5. STARTING TIMES AND STATING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1. Boats will be divided into starting groups with the slowest group of boats commencing first, with progressively faster groups of boats starting at five (5) minute intervals. All boats will be given individual handicaps and the time offset of the start taken into account to arrive at a single corrected time result for the fleet.
- 5.2. A sound signal will be made 10 minutes before the scheduled start of the first boat(s). This amends RRS 26.
- 5.3. A sound signal will be made and a course board will be displayed five (5) minutes before the start of the first Group.
- 5.4. A sound signal will be made to indicate the start of the first Group.
- 5.5. At subsequent five (5) minute intervals a sound signal will be made indicating the start of subsequent Groups which may be one or more boats.
- 5.6. The starting time for the first Group will be 13:30.
- 5.7. Competitors may be advised of starting procedure signals on VHF Channel 14.

6. RECALLS

- 6.1. For the Midweek Series there will be no individual recalls. As detailed in NoR 2.3.1. and 2.3.2 a boat whose hull crosses the starting line from the pre-start side to the course side during the last minute before her starting signal may return to the pre-start side of the line but if she does not then a penalty of 2 (two) minutes will be added to her elapsed time.

7. SHORTENING COURSE

- 7.1. Should the Race Committee decide to shorten course, Code flag S will be displayed on the start box flagpole. This will be accompanied by two (2) sound signals and means that boats shall finish at the end of that lap by crossing the finishing line from the course side. The Race Committee may give verbal instructions via VHF Channel 14.
- 7.2. In order to achieve a result, the Race Officer may give directions on VHF Channel 14 which may vary the length of the course or race instructions.

8. COURSES

8.1. RYCT/DSS COURSES

DSS/RYCT COURSES A – R - MARKS ARE TO BE ROUNDED AND LEFT TO STARBOARD

- A Start → N → O → D → O → D → Finish
- B Start → N → O → N → O → D → Finish
- C Start → D → O → D → O → D → Finish
- D Start → N → M → O → N → M → O → D → Finish
- E Start → N → M → O → N → O → D → Finish
- F Start → N → WP → O → D → WP → O → D → WP → Finish
- G Start → D → M → O → D → M → O → D → M → Finish
- H Start → M → O → M → O → M → Finish
- I Start → JGL → N → M → WP → O → D → O → D → Finish
- J Start → D (to Port) → B1 → N → O → M → Finish
- K Start → D (to Port) → B1 → M → O → D → M → Finish
- L Start → B1 → D → O → B1 → D → O → D → Finish
- M Start → B1 → WP → O → D → WP → O → D → WP → Finish
- N Start → B1 → B2 → D → O → D → Finish
- O Start → B2 → O → D → O → D → Finish
- P Start → B2 → N → O → D → O → D → Finish
- Q Start → B2 → JGL → O → D → O → D → Finish
- R Start → JGL → O → D → O → D → Finish

DSS/RYCT COURSES – S-Z - MARKS ARE TO BE ROUNDED AND LEFT TO PORT

- S Start → M → N → O → M → N → O → M → N → Finish
- T Start → WP → M → D → O → WP → M → D → O → WP → M → D → Finish
- U Start → N → B1 → O → D → O → D → Finish
- V Start → D → B1 → J → O → D → O → D → Finish
- W Start → D → B1 → O → D → B1 → O → D → Finish
- X Start → WP → JGL → B2 → B1 → O → D → Finish
- Y Start → JGL → B2 → O → D → O → D → Finish
- Z Start → B2 → B1 → O → D → O → D → Finish

8.2. ADDITIONAL UPRIVER COURSES

When sailing under Tasman Bridge all boats must pass through the Illawarra Span.

To avoid contact with the bridge a boat may use an engine to navigate under the bridge provided the boat does not gain asignificant advantage in the race.

DSS/RYCT COURSES 01 – 12 - MARKS ARE TO BE ROUNDED AND LEFT TO STARBOARD

- 01 Start → SP → BP → through Starting/Finishing line → D → O → D → Finish
- 02 Start → BP → through Starting/Finishing line → D → O → D → Finish
- 03 Start → SP → through Starting/Finishing line → D → O → D → Finish
- 04 Start → J → B2 → O → D → O → D → Finish
- 05 Start → J → B1 → N → O → D → O → D → Finish
- 06 Start → J → B1 → O → B1 → O → B1 → Finish
- 07 Start → J → D → O → D → Finish
- 08 Start → J → D → M → O → D → M → Finish
- 09 Start → Z → D → WP → O → Z → D → WP → O → Z → D → WP → Finish
- 10 Start → Z → B1 → WP → O → Z → D → WP → O → Z → D → WP → Finish
- 11 Start → D → WP → O → D → WP → O → D → WP → Finish
- 12 Start → CP → O → D → Finish

DSS/RYCT COURSES 13 – 17 - MARKS ARE TO BE ROUNDED AND LEFT TO PORT

- 13 Start → BP → SP → O → WP → D → Finish
- 14 Start → RB → BP → O → D → O → D → Finish
- 15 Start → RB → SP → O → D → O → D → Finish
- 16 Start → M → D → J → O → M → D → Finish
- 17 Start → ZW → Finish

8.3. BYC COURSES

BYC COURSES 01 – 09 - MARKS ARE TO BE ROUNDED AND LEFT TO STARBOARD

- 01 Start → N → R → A → D → Finish
- 02 Start → SP → A → B1 → Finish

When sailing under Tasman Bridge all boats must pass through the Illawarra Span. To avoid contact with the bridge a boat may use an engine to navigate under the bridge provided the boat does not gain asignificant advantage in the race.

- 03 Start → N → WP → R → A → N → WP → Finish
- 04 Start → B2 → N → R → A → B1 → Finish
- 05 Start → B2 → J → A → B1 → J → Finish
- 06 Start → N → J → A → D → Finish
- 07 Start → H → B2 → A → B1 → Finish
- 08 Start → B1 → R → A → B1 → R → A → B1 → Finish
- 09 Start → H → N → M → WP → J → Finish

BYC COURSES 10 – 17 - MARKS ARE TO BE ROUNDED AND LEFT TO PORT

- 10 Start → N → B2 → A → N → Finish
- 11 Start → J → B2 → A → J → B1 → Finish
- 12 Start → J → B1 → A → J → B1 → Finish
- 13 Start → J → D → B1 → A → J → B1 → Finish
- 14 Start → H → A → B1 → A → B1 → Finish
- 15 Start → N → B2 → A → B2 → Finish
- 16 Start → D → B2 → A → D → Finish
- 17 Start → B2 → A → B2 → Finish

9. MARKS

- A Black and White Chequered band inflatable buoy laid to the W of the Victoria Esplanade Box.
- B1 Yellow permanent mark 0.5 nm SE, Kangaroo Bluff (BYC1 Permanent).
- B2 Yellow permanent mark 1.5 nm SSE of Kangaroo Bluff (BYC2 Permanent).
- CP Yellow inflatable buoy laid NE of Cartwright's Point.
- D Orange illuminated mark 0.5 nm ENE of Wrest Point (DSS Permanent).
- H Orange float mark 0.25 nm SW of Howrah Point.
- J Yellow permanent mark 0.1 nm NE of Gunpowder Jetty (Government House Permanent).
- JGL John Garrow Light.
- M Yellow permanent mark 0.1 nm NNE of Maning Reef.
- N Yellow permanent mark 0.1 nm E of Nutgrove Beach.
- O Orange flag mark (RYCT) or an orange buoy with a red band (DSS) approximately NE from Castray Box.
- R Orange inflatable buoy approximately 170m S of Rosny Point (East of Shipping Lane).

WP White pyramid mark 150 m E of Wrest Point.

Z Yellow inflatable buoy laid on a line between Battery Point and the Tasman Bridge.

ZW Yellow inflatable buoy laid NE of Zinc Works.

ADDITIONAL UPRIVER MARKS

RB Permanent Yellow buoy 200 m N of Rose Bay Beach.

BP Permanent outer Green Beacon 400m W of Beltana Point.

SP Permanent Yellow cylindrical 0.2 nm NE of Cornelian Bay Point.

10. RESULTS

Official provisional result sheets will be displayed on the official notice board of each club as soon as practical following the race. The time of posting thereof will be shown on the result sheet.

Results will be published on each club's website as soon as possible after the race.

11. PROTESTS

Protests must be lodged at the BYC, DSS or RYCT by 14:00 on the day following the race. The protest will be heard at a time determined by the Protest Committee.

12. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

In unforeseen circumstances competitors may be advised on VHF Channel 14 of any change to the SI's before the warning signal of each Group.

13. TIME LIMITS

13.1. The time limit for the Midweek Series 1-3 will be 16:00.

13.2. Boats that have not then finished will be scored 'Did Not Finish' (DNF) without a hearing. This changes Rule 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.

14. NUMBER OF CREW

The minimum number of adult crew to be on board is two (2).

15. RETIREMENTS

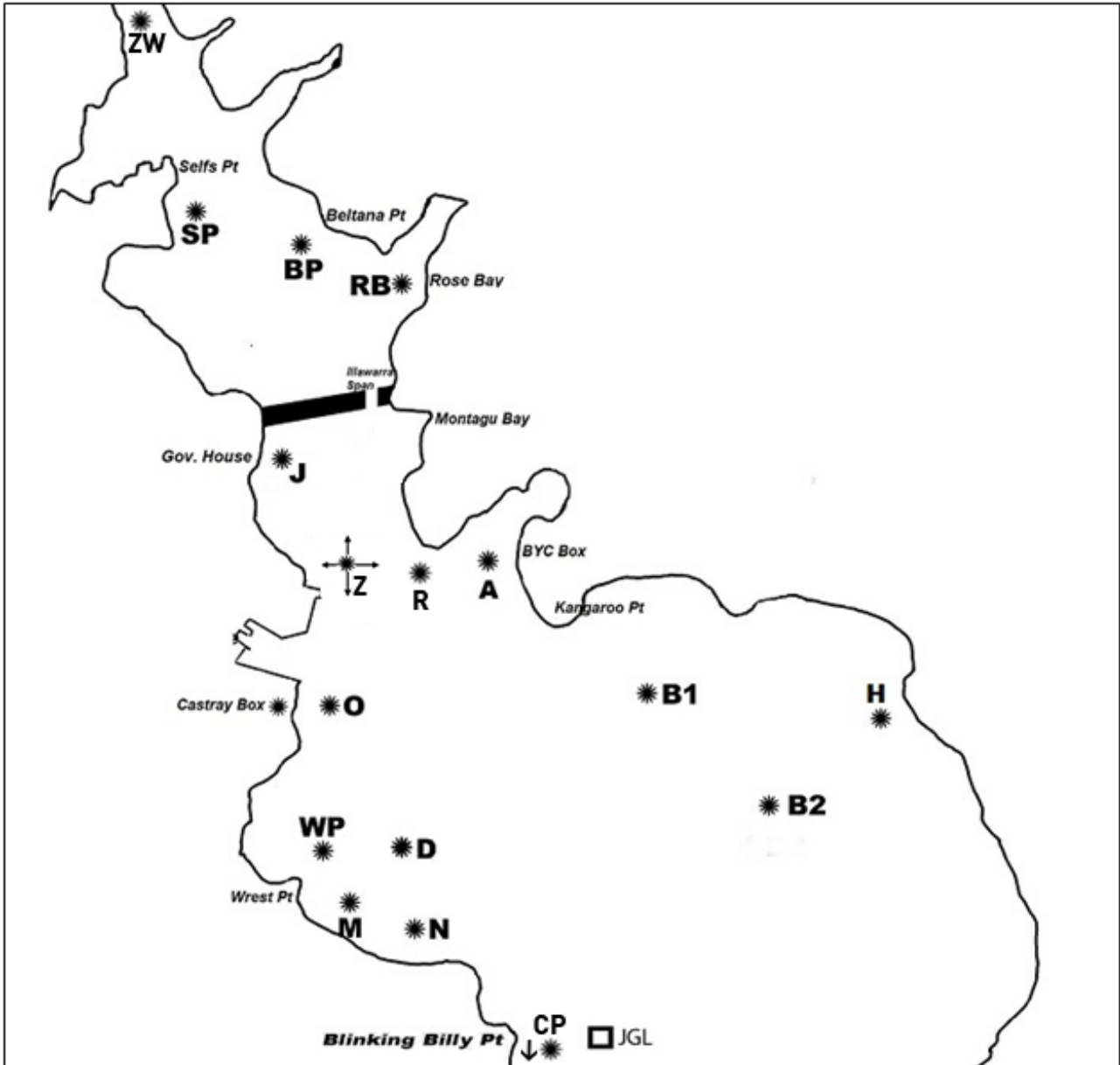
Any boat retiring shall report the fact to the Race Committee as soon as possible.

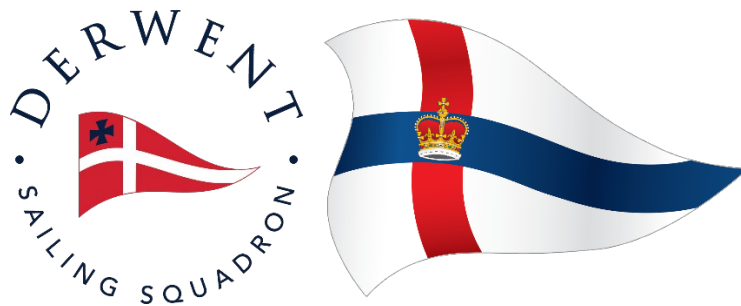
16. RADIO INSTRUCTIONS

16.1. All competitors shall maintain a listening watch on VHF Channel 14 for announcements by the Race Committee.

16.2. The Race Committee may broadcast the course to be sailed, names/sail numbers of OCS boats and/or other information of interest to competitors.

SECTION 4 RACE COURSE CARD





SECTION 5

DSS/RYCT TWILIGHT SERIES & SB20 SUMMER PENNANT

The following Sailing Instructions, in addition to those detailed in Section 1, are applicable to all Groups in the DSS/RYCT Twilight Series and SB20 Summer Pennant.

1. SCHEDULE OF RACES

RYCT Pre-Xmas Twilight & SB20 Summer Pennant			DSS Post-Xmas Twilight & SB20 Summer Pennant		
RACE	DATE	HOST CLUB	RACE	DATE	HOST CLUB
Race Day 1	05 Oct 23	DSS	Race Day 1	11 Jan 24	RYCT
Race Day 2	12 Oct 23	RYCT	Race Day 2	18 Jan 24	DSS
Race Day 3	19 Oct 23	DSS	Race Day 3	01 Feb 24	RYCT
Race Day 4	02 Nov 23	RYCT	Race Day 4	08 Feb 24	DSS
Race Day 5	09 Nov 23	DSS	Race Day 5	15 Feb 24	RYCT
Race Day 6	16 Nov 23	RYCT	Race Day 6	22 Feb 24	DSS
Race Day 7	23 Nov 23	DSS	Race Day 7	29 Feb 24	RYCT
Race Day 8	30 Nov 23	RYCT	Race Day 8	07 Mar 24	DSS
Race Day 9	07 Dec 23	DSS	Race Day 9	14 Mar 24	RYCT
Race Day 10	14 Dec 23	RYCT	Race Day 10	21 Mar 24	DSS

2. CREW DECLARATION

2.1. Crew Declaration.

2.1.1. For each race a boat shall submit a Crew Declaration via TOPYACHT before their warning signal.

2.1.2. The Crew Declaration shall confirm that the boat intends to race and shall include required details for each person on board as follows:

- i. Name;
- ii. Contact phone number;
- iii. Australian Sailing Number in accordance with SI 2.2; and
- iv. Emergency Contact name and contact number.

2.1.3. Boats that do not comply with SI 2.1.1 and SI 2.1.2 (i, ii & iii) will be scored DSQ without a hearing for the relevant race. This changes A5.1 RRS (2021-24).

2.2. All crew members must comply with the AS Prescription to RRS 46. All participating crew members shall be a member of a club affiliated to Australian Sailing or hold a valid SailPass.

3. GROUPS

The DSS/RVCT Twilight Series and SB20 Summer Pennant races will be conducted in allocated groups. The DSS & RVCT Race Committees will allocate boats according to size, known performance and PHS handicaps (where known). The composition of each Group will be displayed on each club's notice board and be available from 16:00 on the day of the race.

4. STARTING TIMES AND IDENTIFICATION

GROUP	STARTING TIME	IDENTIFICATION FLAG
Group 1	17:40	Numeral Pennant 1
Group 2	17:45	Numeral Pennant 2
Group 3	17:50	Numeral Pennant 3
Group 4	17:55	Numeral Pennant 4
Group 5	18:00	White flag with SB20 insignia

5. STARTING AREA, STARTING AND FINISHING LINES

5.1. STARTING LINE – Midriver Start

The Midriver starting line will be between an orange flag on the Committee Boat and a yellow inflatable buoy.

The Committee Boat will be moored in an area bounded by a line between Castray Esplanade and Kangaroo Bluff to the north and John Garrow Light and Punches Reef to the south. The name of the Committee Boat for the day will be posted on the starting list. The Committee Boat will be standing by on VHF Channel 14 if competitors require directions to the starting line.

The Committee Boat will manoeuvre in the vicinity of the starting line approximately 20 minutes before the start.

5.2. FINISHING LINE 1 – Castray Esplanade – **Course 1-16**

Finishing line 1 will be between the flagpole on the Castray Box and a yellow with red band inflatable buoy laid approximately east of Castray Box.

5.3. FINISHING LINE 2– Midriver Finish – **Course 17 only**

Finishing line 2 will be between an orange staff or an orange flag on the Committee Boat and a

black and white chequered flag mark.

6. STARTING INSTRUCTIONS

6.1. The starting procedure for the Twilight Series - Groups 1 - 4 will be in accordance with RRS 26 except as amended below:

6.1.1. Attention signal - Ten (10) minutes before the start of the first Group a sound signal **may** be made.

Warning Signal	5 minute
Preparatory signal hoisted	4 minute
Preparatory signal lowered	1 minute
Starting Signal	0 minute

6.1.2. After each start there may be a 30 second time lag in the displaying of the Group identifier and course board (located at the stern of the Committee Boat), but the time for the succeeding Group shall be taken from the signal indicating the start of the previous Group.

6.2. The starting procedure for the SB20 Summer Pennant will be in accordance with RRS 26 except as amended below:

Warning Signal	3 minute
Preparatory signal hoisted	2 minute
Preparatory signal lowered	1 minute
Starting Signal	0 minute

6.3. Groups 1 – 4 will have one (1) race per day. Group 5 will have a maximum of three (3) races per day sailed back-to-back.

6.4. Attention is drawn to RRS 23 "Interfering with another boat". A boat shall not enter the pre-start area prior to its preparatory signal (5 minutes before its numeral pennant). The pre-start area is defined as 50 metres to windward and leeward of the starting line.

6.5. Competitors may be advised of the starting procedure signals on VHF Channel 14.

Note: Boats should not transmit on VHF Channel 14 whilst a starting sequence is in progress except in an emergency.

7. RECALLS

Individual and General Recalls may be announced on VHF Channel 14. Failure to notify individual recalls by radio shall not be grounds for redress.

8. SHORTENING COURSE

8.1. Courses 1-16 - Should the Race Committee decide to shorten the course, competitors shall finish at the completion of their current lap through finishing line 1. Code flag S will be displayed at finishing line 1 and competitors may be advised of Shorten Course on VHF Channel 14.

8.2. Course 17 - The course may be shortened at the end of the first lap by the display of code flag S on the Committee Boat. Boats shall sail to the finishing line 2 leaving Mark 2 to port.

9. TIMING AT THE END OF ANY COMPLETED LAP – GROUPS 1-4

The Race Committee may record the times of boats at the completion of any lap for groups 1-4. If it appears that boats may not finish within the time limit the Race Committee may display the Code Flag 2nd Substitute accompanied by two sound signals which will indicate that the race has been finished at the end of the preceding lap. This may occur after the completion of any lap. An announcement may also be made by the Race Committee on VHF 14.

10. ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES

Rule 44.1 is amended for Group 5 (SB20's) in that only one (1) turn, including one (1) tack and one (1) gybe is required for an infringement.

11. COURSES

11.1. Boats shall not sail through the starting/finishing line except when required to do so by any of the following courses.

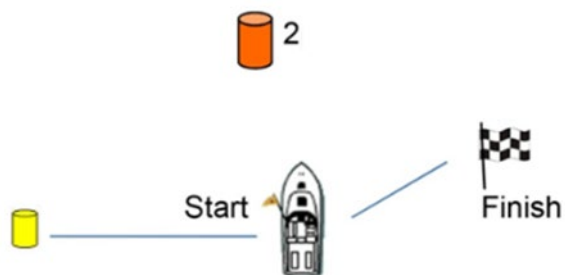
11.2. Fixed and Laid Mark Courses

Refer Course Card

Course	ALL MARKS ARE TO BE ROUNDED AND LEFT TO PORT	Approx Dist.
1	Start to W → P → Z → O → D → Z → Finishing Line 1	8.4 nm
2	Start to W → H → Z → O → N → Z → O → D → Z → Finishing Line 1	11.4 nm
3	Start to W → B1 → Z → O → D → Z → O → D → Z → Finishing Line 1	9.7 nm
4	Start to W → Z → O → D → B1 → Z → Finishing Line 1	7.2 nm
5	Start to W → Z → O → M → N → Z → O → D → Z → Finishing Line 1	10.0 nm
6	Start to W → N → B1 → Z → O → D → B1 → Z → Finishing Line 1	9.9 nm
7	Start to W → B2 → Z → O → N → Z → Finishing Line 1	8.3 nm
8	Start to W → B2 → J → O → D → Z → Finishing Line 1	8.6 nm
9	Start to W → Z → O → N → Z → O → D → Z → Finishing Line 1	10.1 nm

10	Start → X → Z → O → N → Z → Finishing Line 1	6.5nm
11	Start → Z → O → X → Z → O → X → Z → Finishing Line 1	9.4nm
Course	ALL MARKS ARE TO BE ROUNDED AND LEFT TO STARBOARD	Approx Dist.
12	Start → W → B2 → O → Z → B2 → Finishing Line 1	8.4 nm
13	Start → W → B2 → O → Z → N → Finishing Line 1	11.4 nm
14	Start → W → B2 → O → Z → N → Z → Finishing Line 1	9.7 nm
15	Start → W → O → Z → N → O → Z → N → Finishing Line 1	7.2 nm
16	Start → W → O → Z → B1 → D → O → Z → B1 → D → Finishing Line 1	10.5 nm
Course	SB20 ALL MARKS ARE TO BE LEFT TO PORT	Approx Dist.
17	Start to 1 → 1a → 2 → 1 → 1a → 2 → Finishing Line 2	Variable

Refer Diagram below for Course 17



12. MARKS - ALL COURSES NOTE: POSITIONS, BEARING AND DISTANCES ARE APPROXIMATE ONLY

Courses 1-16

Start Starting line in accordance with SI 5.1.

B¹ Yellow permanent mark 0.5 nm SE of Kangaroo Bluff (BYC¹ Permanent).

B² Yellow permanent mark 1.1 nm SE of Kangaroo Bluff (BYC² Permanent).

- D Orange illuminated mark 0.5 nm NE of Wrest Point (DSS Permanent).
- H Orange float mark 0.25nm SW of Howrah Point (Permanent).
- J Yellow permanent mark 0.1 nm NE of Gunpowder Jetty (Government House Permanent).
- M Yellow permanent mark 0.1 nm NE of Manning Reef (DSS Permanent).
- N Yellow permanent mark 0.1 nm E of Nutgrove Beach (DSS Permanent).
- O Yellow inflatable buoy with a redd band laid eastward of the Castray Box and marks the outer end of the finishing line.
- P Orange float mark 0.5nm SW of Punch's Reef (Permanent).
- W Yellow inflatable buoy laid to windward at a distance of approximately 0.5-1.5 nautical miles from the starting line.
- X Yellow inflatable buoy with a black band laid on a mid point on a line btween Mark N and Mark BYC2. The buoy may be moved within 0.5nm circle from that point.
- Z Yellow inflatable buoy laid on a line between Battery Point and the Tasman Bridge. The buoy may be moved within 0.3 nm circle from that position.
- Finish Finishing line 1 – Castray Esplanade - in accordance with SI 5.2

Course 17

- Start Starting Line in accordance with SI 5.1.
- 1 Orange inflatable buoy laid approx. 0.8 nm to windward of the starting line.
- 1a Orange buoy laid to port of mark 1 as a clearance mark.
- 2 Orange inflatable buoy.
- Finish Finishing line 2 – Committee Boat – in accordance with SI 5.3.

13. SAILS

- 13.1. A boat shall comply with the RRS Appendix G, Identification on Sails. This SI is the warning and opportunity to correct in the terms of RRS Appendix G4.
- 13.2. In Groups 1-4 designated non-spinnaker, only a mainsail and headsails as defined in RRS 55.4 shall be used. Headsails shall not be set flying. (No sail shall be set forward of a point of attachment of the permanent forestay).

14. HANDICAP

14.1. Competitors in the DSS/Ryct Twilight Series and SB20 Summer Pennant will have a PHS handicap.

The DSS & Ryct Handicap Committee will set the handicaps before the first race of the series and these may be adjusted after each race. The Race Committee may, subject to minimum entry requirements as per the SI 17.3, permit an IRC Non-Spinnaker result for Division 1-4. The Race Committee's choice of handicap is final and shall not be grounds for protest.

15. RESULTS

15.1. Official provisional result sheets will be displayed on the official notice board of each club as soon as practical following the race.

15.2. The only recognised official results will be those posted on the official notice board and are subject to protest or request for redress. Any times or results, given verbally or displayed elsewhere or published in a newspaper or electronically on a website or similar are for information only and may be subject to correction. These results are therefore not official and shall not be subject to protest or request for redress. Where possible results may be published on each club's website as soon as possible after a race.

16. SCORING

16.1. For keelboats, races shall be scored based on handicap or rating system.

16.2. Twilight Keelboat Series:

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

16.2.2. When six (6) races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race score excluding her worst score.

16.2.3. When eight (8) races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race score excluding her two (2) worst scores.

16.3. SB20 Summer Pennant races shall be scored in both elapsed time order and handicap system.

16.4. SB20 Summer Pennant Series:

16.4.1. When fewer than seven (7) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be a total of her race scores.

16.4.2. When eight (8) and fewer than fifteen (15) races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race score excluding her two (2) worst scores.

16.4.3. When fifteen (15) races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race score excluding her three (3) worst scores.

17. PROTESTS

17.1. Protests must be lodged at the DSS or RYCT within two (2) hours of the finish time of the last boat in the last race of the day or the Race Committee signalling 'No More Racing Today'. Protests will be heard at a time determined by the Protest Committee.

18. PRIZES

18.1. A Series Pennant will be presented for both Twilight Series and SB20 Summer Pennant:

18.1.1. RYCT for the Pre-Christmas Series.

18.1.2. DSS for the Post-Christmas Series.

18.2. A Series Pennant will be awarded on the following number of entries:

Five (5) entries	1st prize
Six (6) to nine (9) entries	1st & 2nd prizes
Ten (10) or more entries	1st, 2nd & 3rd prizes

18.3. A minimum of five (5) entries are required to constitute a Group.

18.4. Individual race day prizes may be awarded by the Host Club after the race.

19. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

19.1. Any changes to these SI's will be posted on the official notice boards of each club by 12:00 on the day of the race.

19.2. In unforeseen circumstances competitors may be advised on VHF Channel 14 of any change to the SI's before the warning signal of each Group.

20. TIME LIMITS

20.1. The time limit will be 19:45 hours on the day of racing. Boats that have not then finished will be scored 'Did Not Finish' (DNF) without a hearing. This changes Rule 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.

21. NUMBER OF CREW

21.1. All boats are to carry a sufficient number of crew as per NoR 2.9.

22. RETIREMENTS

22.1. Any boat retiring shall report the fact to the Race Committee as soon as possible.

23. RADIO INSTRUCTIONS

23.1. All competitors shall maintain a listening watch on VHF Channel 14, for announcements by the Race Committee. Competitors should also monitor VHF Channel 16 at all times.

23.2. The Race Committee may broadcast the course to be sailed, names/sail numbers of OCS boats and/or other information of interest to competitors.

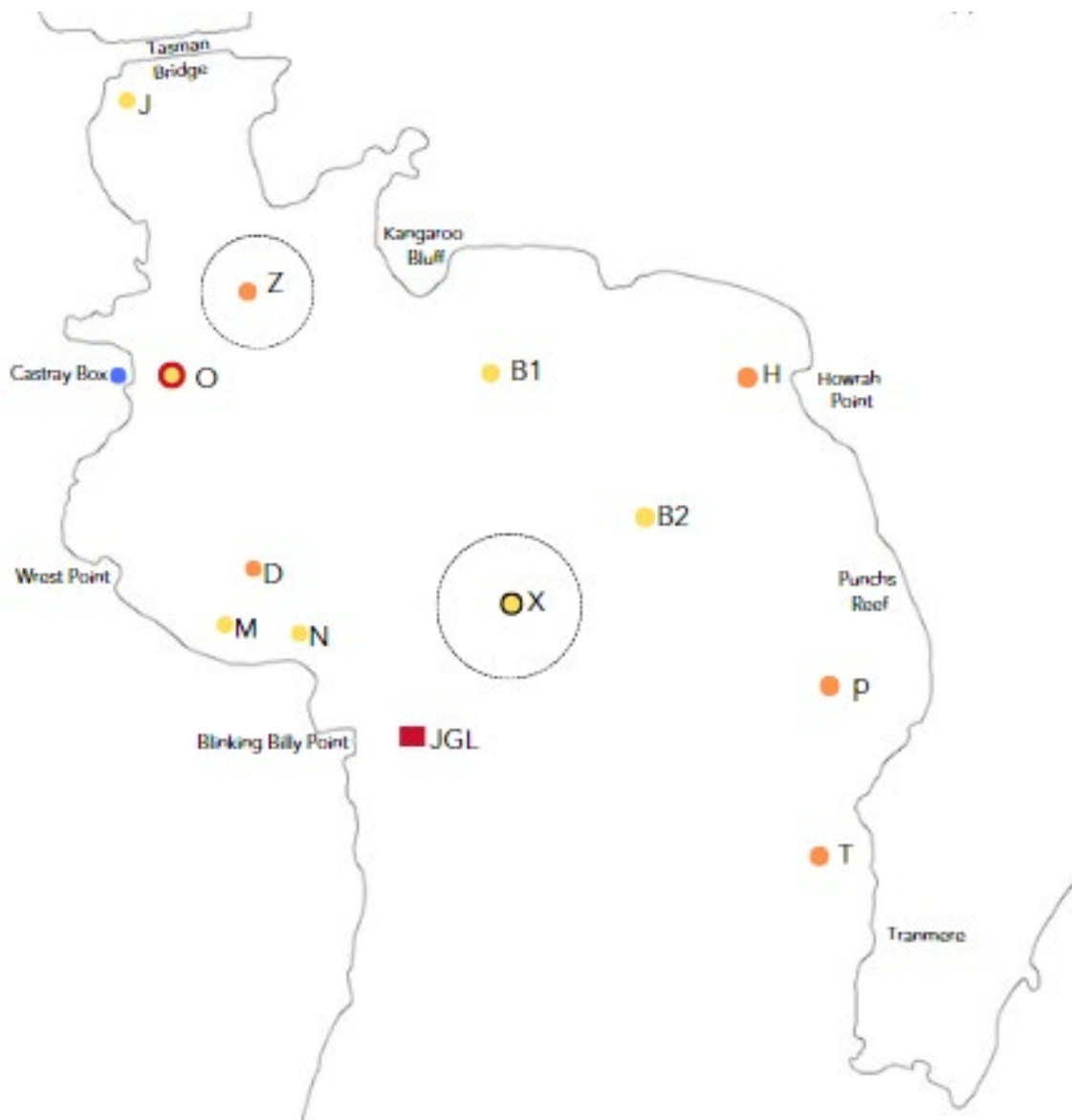
SECTION 5 RACE COURSE CARD

STARTING LINE – ALL GROUPS

In accordance with SI 5.1 the Committee Boat will be moored in an area bounded by a line between Castray Esplanade and Kangaroo Bluff to the north and John Garrow Light and BYC 2 Permanent Mark to the south. This will be the starting line for all groups.

WINDWARD MARK – GROUPS 1-4

In accordance with SI 10 the windward mark (W) will be a yellow inflatable buoy laid to windward at a distance of approximately 0.8 to 1.5 nautical miles from the starting line.





SECTION 6

2023-24 COMBINED CLUBS OFFSHORE SERIES

NOTICE OF SERIES

Offshore Overnight Race – Bellerive Yacht Club– 25 Oct 2023

Maria Island Race – Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania - 10 Nov 2023

Two Capes Race – Derwent Sailing Squadron - 25 Nov 2023

Bruny Island Race – Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania - 10 Feb 2024

Conducted by the Combined Clubs Committee:

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

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY (OA)

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

2. INTRODUCTION

This Notice of Series (NoS) is issued jointly by the OA for the races in the Combined Clubs offshore racing calendar for 2023-24. Noting that each race of the series is a stand-alone race and will be conducted in accordance with Notice of Race (NoR) and Sailing Instructions (SI) as determined by the OA of each race.

- Overnight Race – BYC – 25 October 2023
- Maria Island Race – RYCT – 10 November 2023
- Two Capes Race – DSS – 25 November 2023
- Bruny Island Race – RYCT – 10 February 2024

3. POINTS SYSTEM, SCORING AND TROPHIES

- 3.1. The boat with the lowest combined aggregated score in IRC, ORC and PHS from each of the Combined Clubs Offshore Series races will be awarded the Combined Clubs Perpetual Trophy.
- 3.2. Races shall be scored based on PHS handicap or rating systems handicaps. For IRC this will be the IRC Time Corrector (TCC) as printed on the certificate. For ORC this will be the Single Number Scoring Option, All Purpose (AP) Time on Time as printed on the certificate.
- 3.3. PHS handicap shall be allocated in accordance with each individual race, as determined by the OA of each race.

4. ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1. To be eligible a boat shall start each race in accordance with the NoR and SI as determined by the OA of each race.
- 4.2. Entries in the Combined Clubs Offshore Series are accepted at the discretion of the OA.

5. ENTRY

Entries shall be lodged for each race with the relevant OA in accordance with the race NoR and SI as determined by the OA of each race.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

RACE	DAY	DATE	HOST CLUB
Race 1	Wednesday	25 October 2023	BYC
Race 2	Friday	10 November 2023	RYCT
Race 3	Saturday	25 November 2023	DSS
Race 4	Saturday	10 February 2024	RYCT

7. MEDIA RIGHTS

The owner or charterer of a competing boat and all crew members shall grant the OA the 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 Combined Clubs race.

8. LIABILITY DISCLAIMER

- 8.1. All persons taking part in the Combined Clubs Offshore 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.
- 8.2. The RYCT, DSS and BYC, their executives, boards, servants and agents and all other parties involved with the conduct and organisation of each race 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 the organising clubs races NoR and by the organising clubs races SI.
- 8.3. 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.

DECLARATION FORM

To: Derwent Sailing Squadron
 Marieville Esplanade
 SANDY BAY TAS 7005

Ihereby declare that I am a member of the
.....Club, and that I was the person in charge
of the boatwhilst racing in the
..... race, on

I DECLARE THAT during the race the following Rules were NOT observed and an explanation follows:
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FINISHING TIME.....
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DATE: SIGNATURE:

INCIDENT REPORT

To Derwent Sailing Squadron
Marieville Esplanade
SANDY BAY TAS 7005

I hereby declare that I am a member of the
 Club, and that I was the person in charge
 of the boat report the following incident:

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DATE OF INCIDENT TIME

PROXIMITY.....

DATE:..... SIGNATURE:

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TASPORTS INFORMATION

GENERAL INFORMATION

Hobart VTS

TasPorts operates a Vessel Traffic Service (VTS) Authority, as certified by AMSA. TasPorts VTS monitors all commercial ports in Tasmanian on a 24/7 basis using AIS, VHF radio and CCTV coverage. The purpose of TasPorts VTS is to assist with safe and efficient vessel movements and to enhance navigational safety by interacting with shipping to provide information on potential traffic conflicts and other navigational safety information. Hobart VTS is the call sign for TasPorts VTS in the Port of Hobart.



Hobart VTS – Contact Details

- VHF - Channel 12
- Telephone - 1300 366 742
- Email - vts@tasports.com.au TasPorts

VTS provides an online shipping schedule for the Port of Hobart at the following link

<https://www.tasports.com.au/hobart-schedule>



WEATHER FORECAST

- The Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) issues two forecasts a day at 0530 and 1630. These are available almost instantly and warnings are issued between forecasts; (http://www.bom.gov.au/australia/meteye/?loc=TAS_FA001);
- Sailors should obtain the very latest forecast available to them prior to any racing or training session and brief the crews;
- Mobile phones today allow easy and instant access to weather reports;
- The Deckee App pushes out instant weather warnings for the area you are in. Useful information, including weather, is obtainable from the Deckee App. Deckee is available for free download on iPhone, iPad and Android.

TIDES

- Sailors should be aware of tidal movement prior to racing and training sessions and relay information to crews; (<http://www.bom.gov.au/australia/tides/#!/tas> or the Deckee app);
- Sailors should be aware of freshwater run-off after heavy rain and debris.

CHARTER VESSELS AND FERRIES

- Sailors should be aware that if a pilot boat, charter boat, or ferry is concerned, or unclear of a yacht's actions, five rapid blasts may be sounded to alert the crew in accordance with the International Collision Regulations;
- All charter boat skippers and crew to maintain a vigilant lookout for sailors and slow down for an appropriate distance to reduce wash;
- Carrying a VHF radio will allow rescue boats and larger yachts direct communication with a charter vessel or ferry.

EXCLUSION ZONES AND PROHIBITED AREAS - TASPORTS

- Regulation 71 of the Marine and Safety (Pilotage and Navigation) Regulations 2017 provides for the declaration of a specified area surrounding any vessel navigating to be a prohibited area for other vessels or persons;
- Notice to Mariners (NtM) M168-18 refers to a 60-metre exclusion zone existing around any vessel that is under pilotage and engaged in berthing operations. Only vessels engaged in assisting with the berthing operation are permitted to operate within the exclusion zone. Tug wash when underway or alongside a ship can be dangerous;
- NtM 169-18 refers to a prohibited area of 60m on either side of any vessel under pilotage. If that vessel is accompanied by an escort vessel (blue flashing light) you cannot pass between the escort vessel or the vessel under pilotage.
- A vessel under pilotage control is identified by a red and white vertical flag.
- Some vessels have pilotage exemption, and the same rules apply as for a pilotage vessel. Pilot Exempt vessels are identified by a white flag. These will generally be seen on the River Derwent or D'Entrecasteaux Channel and are often larger fish farm vessels. The Bruny Island ferry is also pilot-exempt.
- Mariners and sailors must maintain a distance of not less than 50m from any TasPorts' wharf or vessel at a berth in port. This applies in all Tasports' wharf areas Statewide.
- Mariners and sailors must make themselves aware of any other Notices to Mariners that may have been issued that could impact their activity. Notices to Mariners are found on www.mast.tas.gov.au
- The Deckee App provides push notifications of Notices to Mariners when issued for your area of operation.
- Australian Sailing Regulations The sport of sailing in Australia has a strong reputation for self-management of safety. The Special Regulations can also act as a guide for cruising boats. Special Regulations do not replace but rather supplement the requirements of government authorities, the Racing Rules of Sailing and the rules of class associations and rating systems

REPORTING OF INCIDENTS

It is a requirement under the Marine and Safety (Maritime Incidents) Regulations, 2017 that an incident must be reported to MAST by the quickest possible means.

Incident forms are available on the MAST website by using the following link.

<https://www.mast.tas.gov.au/wp-content/uploads/2014/06/Incident-Report-Form-November-2017.pdf>

CRUISE SHIPS

Cruise Ships Mariners sailors and rescue boats should be aware that Cruise Ships will be arriving at Hobart. Arrival times are generally early morning. It is highly recommended mariners and rescue boats carry a VHF radio switched onto Ch 12 to enable communication with Tasports' Vessel Traffic Services (VTS).

TASMAN BRIDGE

Channel escape areas Channel escape areas exist either side of the Tasman Bridge. If a vessel needs to abort a transit of the Tasman Bridge, due to mechanical failure or other operational needs, this will occur in the Channel escape area. Vessel should avoid being in this area when a bridge transit is about to take place. These areas are marked on navigational charts Visibility limitation from the bridge of a vessel

Due to the size and construction of most sea going vessels, the forward visibility directly in front of the ship, from the navigational bridge, can be restricted by up to 250m. This means that when small vessels are directly ahead of a ship, they may not be visible to the pilot and master of the ship.



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	C-Charlie Yes
	D-Delta Keep Clear
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	F-Foxtrot Disabled
	G-Golf Want a Pilot
	H-Hotel Pilot on Board
	I-India Altering Course to Port
	J-Juliet On Fire Keep Clear
	K-Kilo Desire to Communicate
	L-Lima Stop Instantly
	M-Mike I Am Stopped
	N-November No
	O-Oscar Man Overboard
	P-Papa About To Sail
	Q-Quebec Request Practice
	R-Romeo Do Not Pass Ahead of Me
	S-Sierra Engines Going Astern
	T-Tango Keep Clear
	U-Uniform Standing Into Danger
	V-Victor Require Assistance
	W-Whiskey Require Medical Assistance
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