NOR & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
Saturday 2nd & Sunday 3rd March 2019
Host Club – ROYAL MOTOR YACHT CLUB
46 Prince Alfred Parade, Newport

1. Rules

1.1 General
The race will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2017-2020 World Sailing (WS) Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS), the 2018 IRC Rules Parts A, B and C.

1.2 Special Regulations
Boats shall comply with AS Special Regulations Part 1, Category 7. Boats are required to present an audited AS Special Regulations Equipment Compliance form before the close of entries.

1.3 VHF radios, are encouraged to be used and monitored by all competing yachts. VHF Channel 73 specified race channel.

1.4 The attention of all participants is drawn to The Racing Rules of Sailing, Part 1 Fundamental Rules.

2 Notices to Competitors

2.1 The Notice Board is on the lower level of the RMYC club, adjacent to the Compass Terrace. Other communications will be posted on the Official Club Website http://www.royalmotor.com.au

2.2 Briefing Sessions may be held prior to the event and adequate notice will be advertised to all competitors of the time and place that these will occur.

2.3 The RMYCBB Race Office is located at Reception.
3 Changes to Sailing Instructions

3.1 Any change to the 2019 Classic Yacht Regatta Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Notice Board 2 hours before the warning signal of the race it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 hours on the day before it will take effect. Changes to the Sailing Instructions may be communicated via VHF 73 on water. Code Flag L will be displayed on the RMYC Tower when there is a change of Sailing Instructions.

4 Signals Made Ashore

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the RMYC Tower mast at the western end of the car park of the clubhouse. When flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than 60 minutes’ in the race signal AP.

5 Entries

5.1 Skippers / Owners may enter a boat providing the Skipper / Owner is a current financial member of an Australian Sailing affiliated yacht club and AS member.
5.2 Entries are not accepted unless accompanied by the applicable Race Fee, Declaration of Safety Equipment Compliance. Competing boats that have not lodged a safety declaration form will not be eligible to race.
5.3 Eligible Yachts must enter via the Online “Top Yacht Handicap Entry System”.
5.4 Online Entry.

TOP YACHT ONLINE ENTRY   Go to the Regatta Website to enter:


Entry Fee: $100.00

Berthing to be arranged directly with Marina Office at a cost of $55.00 per night.
Please call the RMYC Marina Office – 9997 5511

5.5 Close of entry: COB Monday 25th February 2019. A late entry of $50 may apply to entries received after this date.

6 Division Flags

Division A  Classic Spinnaker  Code Flag A
Division B  Non-Spinnaker  Code Flag B (Couta /Rangers included)
7 Race & Social Schedule

Saturday March 2nd - Race Times

1030 hrs All Divisions Briefing and Race Pack collection, RMYC Fireplace Area.

1300 hrs Division B Non-Spinnaker - Including Coutu and Ranger:

1305 hrs Division A. Spinnaker

Saturday Evening – Classic Yacht Get Together Dinner – Waterview Terrace. 1830hrs

Sunday March 3rd – Handicap Race Start - 1100hrs First yacht starts.

Presentation (ASAP after racing) - Trophies/prizes. RMYC Garden Forecourt.

8 Race Communications

8.1 VHF Channel 73 shall be used to communicate to competitors.

8.2 If a yacht retires from racing it is mandatory to inform the Race Committee; via VHF Channel 73 or Mobile 0422 041 798 or RMYC Reception 99975511.

9 The Courses + Start Procedures

Racing Area

The racing area shall be sailed on the waters of Pittwater and Broken Bay. Refer to the Appendix 1 for Course Area Map. The starting area will be notified by VHF73 and displayed on the Notice Board on the morning of the race.

Saturday 2nd March:

Division A (Spinnaker) & Division B (Non-Spinnaker)

Course #1: Numeral Pennant #1

Start in vicinity of RMYC then to Rocky Pt (S), to Towler’s Bay (S), to Stokes Pt (P), to Mackerel Beach (S), then Lion Island (P), to Stokes Pt (S), to finish at RMYC.

Course #2: Numeral Pennant #2

Start to Rocky Pt (S) then to Stokes Pt (P) to Soldiers Pt (P) to finish off RMYC.


**Sunday 3rd March – Start Procedure**

Scheduled Start Time is 1100hrs for the first yacht away. This is a handicap start for all yachts. Each Boat will be allotted a start time which will be posted on the Notice Board and maybe SMS messaged to competitors via mobile phone.

It is important that all competitors synchronize their watch or timers with Eastern Standard Daylight Time or Official Mobile Phone time; Ring mobile #: 1194 to Synchronise.

The start sequence will be signified by the following:

- **1055hrs** Warning Signal 5 mins - Pantaenius Flag Raised + Sound Signal
- **1059hrs** 1 Minute Signal 1 mins - Sound Signal
- **1100hrs** Start Signal First Yachts start. - Pantaenius Flag Lowered + Sound Signal

Other competitors start at their allotted time.

“Yachts are encouraged to keep clear of the start line and only approach the line when actually starting. All yachts are encouraged to keep a good lookout for all other vessels in the start line area. If a yacht starts prematurely - a 5-minute penalty will be applied.”

**Courses for Sunday 4th March**

Division A & B

**Course #1:** Numeral Pennant #1

Start to laid mark (P), to Stokes Pt (P), to Mackerel Beach (S), to Lion Island (P), to Stokes Pt(S), to finish at RMYC.

**Course #2:** Numeral Pennant #2

Start to Laid Mark (P) to Stokes Pt(S), to Taylor’s Pt (S), to Towler’s Bay (S), to Taylor’s Pt(S) to Long Nose Pt (P), to finish at RMYC.

*Note: Courses may be affected by shoals or shallow water. Boats should exercise care in shallow water and refer to a current Nautical Chart of Pittwater for water depths. Competitors shall not sail beyond a line between moored vessels. Moored vessels and a line between them are to be considered “a Continuing Obstruction” and “Room to Tack” maybe called as per RRS 20.*

**10 Marks**

Fixed Special Marks: Stokes Pt, Taylors Pt, Soldiers Pt and Rocky Pt and Mackerel Beach are Orange cylindrical fixed marks, approx. 1.2 metre in height.

Long Nose Pt and Towler’s Bay are yellow triangular fixed marks. Approx. 0.8m in height.
11 The Start

11.1 Times shall be taken from the visual FLAG signals; not the associated sound signal.
Starting Sequence. Refer RRS 26 - Starting Races.

11.2 The starting line shall be an imaginary line between the starting mark (White Pantaenius) Inflatable Mark) and a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee vessel.

11.3 The starting area will be notified on the morning of the race day. VHF 73 and the official Notice Board.

11.4 A distance mark (crowding buoy) may be laid a short distance from the Committee Vessel. Yachts must not pass between it and the committee vessel. The distance mark shall be considered an extension of the committee vessel.

11.5 The distance mark will not necessarily be on the starting line. When starting, a boat shall leave the distance mark on the same side as the committee vessel. A boat shall not sail from the course side between the distance mark and the committee vessel. A boat failing to comply may result in a Protest from the Race Committee.

11.6 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes of her starting signal shall be scored DNS (Did not Start)

12 Recalls

Recalls are in accordance with RRS 29.

**Individual Recall** – At the start signal, if any part of a hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line she must comply with rule 30.1 (That is restart by rounding the ends of the start line and then restarting. The Individual recall will be signalled by displaying code flag X, with one sound signal.)

**General Recall** – When there are a number of unidentified boats on the course side of the starting line at the starting signal, or there has been an error in the starting procedure, the race committee may signal a general recall. This will be signalled by displaying the First Substitute flag, with two sound signals.

The warning signal for a new start for the recalled division shall be made one minute after the First Substitute is removed (one sound), and the starts for any succeeding divisions shall follow the new start.

13 The Finish

The finishing line shall be an imaginary line between the finishing mark White inflatable (Pantaenius) mark and the staff displaying an Orange & Blue flag on the committee vessel. It is imperative that yachts finishing do not recross the finish line and stay well clear of other competitors still racing.
### 14 Time Limits

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14.2 Boats failing to finish within 40 minutes after the first boat in its division will be scored Did Not Finish.

14.3 Boats not finishing within the time limit will be scored points equal to the number of boats that have finished, plus two points, but no more than the number of starters.

14.4 Boats retiring before the time limit expires will be scored RET. If a yacht decides to retire, it is the responsibility of that yacht to inform the Race Committee via VHF Radio Channel 73 or mobile the race committee of their intention to cease racing. Mobile: 0422 041 798 or RMYC Reception 99975511.

14.5 No warning signal shall be made after 1500 hours on Saturday 2nd and 1400 on Sunday 3rd March.

14.6 Courses may be shortened as per RRS 32.1. Code Flag S will be displayed on the committee vessel, plus 2 sound signals. It may also be communicated via VHF Radio Channel 73.

### 15 Protest Mediation

15.1 After a protest has been submitted to the race office within the time limit; and if the incident did not involve injury to crew or significant damage to yachts involved, both parties may agree to attempt to settle the protest by mediation. No witnesses will be involved in mediation.

15.2 The Mediator will try and settle the matter. If the Mediator determines it is likely a rule has been broken, then the boat likely to have broken a rule will be offered a scoring penalty such that her score would be the average of her finishing score in that race and the score equivalent to a disqualification.

15.3 A Mediation process does not compel a boat to accept a penalty.

### 16 Protests

16.1 Protest forms are available at the race office (Reception). For each division, the protest time limit is one hour after the last boat has finished the last race of the day of its division.

17.2 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
17 **Scoring & Trophies**

17.1 The Low Point Scoring System shall be used in this regatta. As Per RRS Appendix A – A4

17.2 Trophies and or prizes shall be awarded to the Divisional winners. Protests lodged on Sunday 3rd March, results will be provisional and subject to change as per protest results. Trophies: Spinnaker, Non-Spinnaker, Couta/Ranger & Jubilee

18 **Postponement, Abandonment, Cancellation**

Race Officials may postpone or abandon a race in accordance with rule 27.3 before race start time and 32.1 after a race has started.

19 **Penalty System**

For infringement of Rules in Part 2 of the RRS, rules 44.1 and 44.2 are amended so yachts can exonerate themselves by carrying out one 360 degree turn, including one tack and one gybe.

If an infringement occurs within the 3 boat-length zone of rounding marks the penalty is modified to: 720 degree turn. Including two tacks and gybes.

20 **Handicaps**

Handicaps for Boats may be published by the Race Committee and displayed on the Club Notice Board and website prior to the event. The Race Committee may change handicaps during the regatta.


Notice of a change of helmsman shall be lodged in writing to the Race Committee, or member of the Classic Yacht Regatta Committee not less than one hour prior to the start of the race. The skipper of a competing yacht must be a member of a AS affiliated yacht club and a current AS member.

The Race Committee has the discretion to change or amend the handicap of any boat for any race.

21 **Use of Electronic Aids**

Boats can use electronic navigation or tactical equipment which is readily available to all competitors.

All competing yachts are required to monitor VHF Radio Channel 73 for all race communications. “MV Charles Linnegar” - Regatta Committee Vessel: Mobile Phone Number – 0422041798.
22  Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in a race entirely at their own risk. Royal Motor Yacht Club Broken Bay will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in this event, prior to, during, or after the race. All yacht owners/skippers or yacht representatives are obligated to sign a waiver to this affect and submitted with their entry.
APPENDIX 1: Course Area Map of Pittwater

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[Map of Pittwater course area with markers for various points of interest such as Mackeral Beach, Soldiers PT, Stokes PT, Long Nose PT, Towlers Bay, Avalon, Rocky Pt, Taylors Pt, Salt Pan, Start Finish, RMYC.]

Logos of sponsors such as Oricom, Pantaenius, and Musto are also present on the page.
EMERGENCY GUIDE FOR BROKEN BAY
EMERGENCY CALL 000 or 112

WATER POLICE BB: 0412 162 093  RMYC MARINA MGR: 0418 423 897
WATER POLICE BB: 9910 7899   MARINE RESCUE BB: 9999 3554
RMYC RECEPTION: 9997 5511   MV CHARLES LINNEGAR: 0422 041 798
MONA VALE POLICE: 9998 0699   RMS (MARITIME): 13 12 36

AMBULANCE PICK UP POINTS

A TAYLORS POINT WHARF
Lot 7 132 Taylors Pt Road, CLAREVILLE
Cross street - Hudson Parade

B CAREEL BAY WHARF
94 George St, AVALON
Cross street - Therry St

C PALM BEACH FERRY WHARF
1151 Barrenjoey Rd, PALM BEACH
Cross street - Palm Beach Rd

D THE ROYAL MOTOR YACHT CLUB
46 Prince Alfred Pde, NEWPORT
Cross street - Herbert Ave

E CHURCH POINT WHARF
1860 Pittwater Rd, CHURCH POINT
Cross street - McCarrs Creek Road

F PATONGA BEACH WHARF
6/8 Patonga Dr, PATONGA
Cross street - Bay Street

G BROOKLYN WHARF
7 Dangar Rd, BROOKLYN
Cross street - Karoola St