

THURSDAY TWILIGHT NON-SPINNAKER SERIES 2017-2018
Category 7 / Pursuit Results / Divisions as Required
SCHEDULE OF RACES

RACE	DATE	RACE FORMAT	'COUNT UP' SCHEDULED START TIME
PRE-CHRISTMAS TWILIGHT POINTSCORE			
1	Thursday, 5 October 2017	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
2	Thursday, 12 October 2017	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
3	Thursday, 19 October 2017 *	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
4	Thursday, 26 October 2017	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
5	Thursday, 2 November 2017	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
6	Thursday, 9 November 2017	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
7	Thursday, 16 November 2017 *	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
8	Thursday, 23 November 2017	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
9	Thursday, 30 November 2017	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
10	Thursday, 7 December 2017	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
11	Thursday, 14 December 2017 *	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
POST-CHRISTMAS TWILIGHT POINTSCORE			
12	Thursday, 4 January 2018	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
13	Thursday, 11 January 2018	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
14	Thursday, 18 January 2018 *	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
15	Thursday, 1 February 2018	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
16	Thursday, 8 February 2018	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
17	Thursday, 15 February 2018 *	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
18	Thursday, 22 February 2018	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
19	Thursday, 1 March 2018	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
20	Thursday, 8 March 2018	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
21	Thursday, 15 March 2018 *	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
22	Thursday, 22 March 2018	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
23	Thursday, 29 March 2018	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
* WOMEN'S TWILIGHT POINTSCORE			
1	Thursday, 19 October 2017	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
2	Thursday, 16 November 2017	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
3	Thursday, 14 December 2017	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
4	Thursday, 18 January 2018	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
5	Thursday, 15 February 2018	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800
6	Thursday, 15 March 2018	Inshore Pursuit Race	1800

THURSDAY TWILIGHT NON-SPINNAKER SERIES SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

SPECIAL NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

The MHYC Sailing Committee requests Members' co-operation in ensuring that MHYC boats diligently observe the applicable Navigation Legislation, the Club's Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions during Twilight racing. In particular the Person in Charge must ensure that a proper lookout is maintained throughout the event and that the conduct of their boat in relation to ferries and commercial shipping and particularly in the enclosed water of Lower Middle Harbour is consistent with the exemplary standards expected by the Club.

The Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions will be applied diligently during the Twilight Series and the Sailing Committee may deploy an on water observer to monitor the behaviour of boats. Boats breaching these will be penalised as appropriate and repeat offenders may have action taken against them by the Sailing Committee. Members are reminded of the Club's right to reject an entry or take action under the Racing Rules of Sailing in the event of gross misconduct or poor sportsmanship.

Competitors are reminded that the waters between the southern end of Clontarf Beach and Spit Bridge are designated as a navigation channel and that boats (racing and packing up) are to comply with their obligations under Collision Regulations towards non-racing vessels using the channel. It is recommended that as a boat approaches the finish line, a crew member be sent to the bow as lookout.

1 RULES

- 1.1 Refer to NOR 1 and 2.
- 1.2 The nominated helmsperson of each boat shall be at the helm during the period prior to starting and until the boat is abeam of Grotto Point and when finishing from the time the boat is abeam Grotto Point and until it finishes and clears the finish line.
- 1.3 Boats shall carry navigation lights and shall illuminate them after official sunset. Boats not illuminating navigation lights after official sunset will be scored 'DNF'. This amends RRS 63.1.
- 1.4 Only a mainsail and headsails as defined in RRS 50.4 shall be used. Headsails shall not be set flying. No sail shall be set forward of a point of attachment of the permanent forestay.

2 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 2.1 Racing is scheduled as per the Schedule of Races for the Twilight Series.

3 CLASS FLAGS & DIVISIONS

- 3.1 Entrants may be allocated to racing divisions appropriate to their performance and entry numbers; Class flags may be allocated to each division

4 THE COURSES

- 4.1 As per the Thursday Twilight Non-Spinnaker Course List.
- 4.2 Courses may be shortened by the Race Committee prior to the start by displaying Code Flag "S" prior to or with the warning signal. The display of Code Flag "S" shall mean the Course is shortened and upon rounding the mark prefixed (*) all boats should proceed directly to the finish.

5 HANDICAPS

- 5.1 Starting handicap numbers will be allocated at the discretion of the Sailing Manager or his nominee.
- 5.2 When **4 or more boats finish** in a race, the following calculation will be made automatically to a boat's starting time handicap:

First Place	additional 5 minutes
Second Place	additional 4 minutes

Third Place	additional 3 minutes
Fourth Place	additional 2 minutes
Fifth Place	additional 1 minute

The time handicaps of all other starters shall be automatically adjusted by deducting 1 minute from the handicap.

5.3 When **less than 4 boats finish** in a race:

- No adjustment will be made to handicaps for those boats that finish
- The time handicaps of all other starters shall be automatically adjusted by deducting 1 minute from the handicap
- Those boats that are scored DNC shall have no adjustment to their handicap.

5.4 The Sailing Manager or his nominee may at their absolute discretion review any boat's time handicap where they are of the opinion that due to anomaly, error or change of racing trim or equipment, the handicap is considered unfair or unreasonable.

5.5 Allocated handicaps shall not be the subject of protest or dispute. This amends RRS 60.1 & 62.

5.6 Handicaps are available on the day of racing on the MHYC website.

5.7 Entrants will be allocated to racing divisions appropriate to the number of entries and the relative speed of entries. Division allocation is subject to the receipt of entries and shall be structured by the Sailing Manager at their absolute discretion.

5.8 Allocation to Divisions shall not be the subject to protest or constitute grounds for redress. This amends RRS 60.1 and 62.

6 THE START

6.1 The Start will be a Clubhouse Start Line in accordance with NOR 16.

6.2 The start sequence will be a Count Up sequence start per MHYC NOR 22

START TIME	
1750	Warning signal and course number board displayed.
1800	Start handicap count-up

7 THE FINISH

7.1 The Finish will be the Clubhouse Finish Line in accordance with NOR 17.

7.2 All spinnaker poles shall be dropped and stowed before crossing the transit formed by the two pumphouses

7.3 An orange or yellow mark will be laid approximately 10m off A-arm. Boats shall leave this to port and must not cross the transit formed by this mark and the line of MHYC swing moorings to the north until returning to the marina after packing up. For RRS 18, 19 and 20 this area shall be deemed a continuing obstruction.

7.4 Boats shall continue without changing course until they have crossed the D-Arm transit (two red MHYC flags). Boats are encouraged to use their motor and to drop their headsail at the first opportunity and it is not necessary to wait until the D-Arm transit has been crossed for either.

7.5 Boats shall keep to the starboard (Clontarf) side of the channel, and proceed towards Fisher Bay to pack up.

7.6 After packing up and when returning to the Club, boats shall keep to the starboard (Spit Road) side of the channel taking care to avoid any boat still under sail or non-racing vessels using the channel.

7.7 The RC may award a 45% scoring penalty to boats observed by the RC to have breached a rule of SI 7.

8 TIME LIMITS

8.1 The time limit will be 2000 hours. Only boats that have finished within the time limit shall rank as finishers. Boats not finishing within the time limit shall be scored DNF.

- 8.2 The time limit for notifying the RC shall be no later than 30 minutes after the time limit of the race concerned. This amends NOR 20.
- 8.3 Competitors who fail to notify the RC of their withdrawal, or who fail to notify that they will not finish within the time limit shall be scored as DNC. This amends RRS 63.1.

9 ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES

- 9.1 For an infringement of RRS Part 2, the Two-Turns Penalty RRS 44.2 shall apply.
- 9.2 For an infringement of any other rule or requirement, the Scoring Penalties of RRS 44.3 shall apply. The penalty shall be computed as a percentage of the number of entries in the relevant division.

10 PROTESTS

- 10.1 Protests shall be in accordance with NOR 24.
- 10.2 The Protest Limit Time will be 2130hrs on the day of the race. This amends NOR 24.2.

11. PRIZES

- 11.1 Prizes may be awarded at a post-race presentation appropriate to entries received in each division. Prizes not collected at the presentation will be forfeited.
- 11.2 Series winners may be awarded at a presentation on the final night of racing.

12 SCORING

- 12.1 A boat's finish time shall be used for the calculation of its racing division results. The boat with the earliest finish time (after application of scoring penalties, if any) will be scored first.
- 12.2 The Scoring system to be applied is RRS Low Point System.
- 12.3 The Penalty Place system to be applied is RRS A9 (Series Scores), whereby the score for 'DNC' shall be amended as follows;
'A boat that **did not come** to the starting area shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats **that came to the starting area.**'
This amends RRS A9.
- 12.4 Thursday Twilight Annual Series
a) Twenty-four (24) races are scheduled and eleven (11) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
b) One (1) excluded score will apply after every four (4) completed races, up to a maximum of five (5) exclude scores.
- 12.5 Thursday Twilight Pre-Christmas Pointscore
a) Eleven (11) races are scheduled and six (6) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
b) One (1) excluded score will apply after every four (4) completed races, up to a maximum of two (2) excluded scores.
- 12.6 Thursday Twilight Post-Christmas Pointscore
a) Thirteen (13) races are scheduled and six (6) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
b) One (1) excluded score will apply after every four (4) completed races, up to a maximum of two (2) excluded scores.
- 12.7 Thursday Twilight Women's Pointscore (Female Helms)
a) Six (6) races are scheduled and two (2) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
b) One (1) excluded score will apply after every three (3) completed races.
- 12.8 A boats points will not be transferred with a change of ownership or Division

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

THURSDAY TWILIGHT NON-SPINNAKER SERIES

COURSE NOTES:

- 1) All marks are to be rounded or left to STARBOARD except those suffixed with the letter (P) which shall be rounded or left to PORT.
- 2) For shortened course mark (*) refer to SI 4.2.

Division 1 / Division 2

COURSE 1 (approx. 6.5 nm)

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|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Start MHYC | 5. AS Mark Lady Bay |
| 2. AS Mark Manly West | 6. AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 3. AS Mark Manly East | 7. Finish MHYC |
| 4. AS Mark Cannae Point (*) | |

COURSE 2 (approx. 5.7 nm)

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| 1. Start MHYC | 4. AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 2. AS Mark Cannae Point | 5. Finish MHYC |
| 3. AS Mark Lady Bay (*) | |

COURSE 3 (approx. 7.9 nm)

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| 1. Start MHYC | 4. AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 2. AS Mark Rose Bay | 5. Finish MHYC |
| 3. Shark Island | |

COURSE 4 (approx. 7.0 nm)

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|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Start MHYC | 4. AS Mark East Channel |
| 2. AS Mark Cannae Point | 5. AS Mark Chowder Bay South |
| 3. AS Mark Lady Bay (*) | 6. Finish MHYC |

COURSE 5 (approx. 6.3 nm)

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| 1. Start MHYC | 4. AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 2. AS Mark Lady Bay (*) | 5. Finish MHYC |
| 3. AS Mark Nielsen Park | |

COURSE 6 (approx. 8.5 nm)

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|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Start MHYC | 5. AS Mark Taylors Bay |
| 2. AS Mark Manly West | 6. AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 3. AS Mark Manly East (*) | 7. Finish MHYC |
| 4. AS Mark Nielsen Park | |

COURSE 7 (approx. 8.2 nm)

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| 1. Start MHYC | 5. AS Mark Rocky Point (*) |
| 2. AS Mark Manly West | 6. AS Mark Cannae Point |
| 3. AS Mark Manly East | 7. Finish MHYC |
| 4. AS Mark Cannae Point | |

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THURSDAY TWILIGHT NON-SPINNAKER SERIES

COURSE NOTES:

- 1) All marks are to be rounded or left to STARBOARD except those suffixed with the letter (P) which shall be rounded or left to PORT.
- 2) For shortened course mark (*) refer to SI 4.2.

Division 3 / Division 4

COURSE 1 (approx. 5.7 nm)

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| 1. Start MHYC | 3. AS Mark Obelisk Bay |
| 2. AS Mark East Channel (*) | 4. Finish MHYC |

COURSE 2 (approx. 5.5 nm)

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| 1. Start MHYC | 3. AS Mark Manly East |
| 2. AS Mark Manly West | 4. Finish MHYC |

COURSE 3 (approx. 6.9 nm)

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| 1. Start MHYC | 3. Shark Island |
| 2. AS Mark Shark Island | 4. Finish MHYC |

COURSE 4 (approx. 5.8 nm)

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|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Start MHYC | 4. AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 2. AS Mark Cannae Point (*) | 5. Finish MHYC |
| 3. AS Mark Chowder Bay North | |

COURSE 5 (approx. 6.1 nm)

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|---------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Start MHYC | 4. AS Mark Lady Bay |
| 2. AS Mark Manly West | 5. Finish MHYC |
| 3. AS Mark Manly East (*) | |

COURSE 6 (approx. 7.0 nm)

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| 1. Start MHYC | 4. AS Mark Nielsen Park |
| 2. AS Mark Cannae Point (*) | 5. AS Obelisk Bay |
| 3. AS Mark Lady Bay | 6. Finish MHYC |

COURSE 7 (approx. 4.9 nm)

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|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Start MHYC | 4. AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 2. AS Mark Manly West | 5. Finish MHYC |
| 3. AS Mark Manly East (*) | |