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MHYC SAILING BY-LAWS

1. The responsibility for developing and optimising an annual Sailing Program in keeping with the needs and interests of the Club's sailing membership shall be vested in a Committee titled 'The Sailing Committee'. This Committee shall comprise a Chairman, the Club's Chief Special Regulations Officer, the Club's Principal Race Officer, the Sailing Manager and up to four active sailing members entitled to hold office.
2. The Chairman of the Sailing Committee shall be a Flag Officer of MHYC.
3. The Chairman of the Sailing Committee may appoint representatives of the Club's sailing divisions and areas of interest to provide a link between the members and the Sailing Committee.
4. The Commodore, with the support of the Board, may alter, amend or countermand any resolution or action of the Sailing Committee.
5. The conduct and control of club racing program shall be vested in the Sailing Manager and for Major Regattas and long races shall be vested in a Special Events Committee which shall comprise a Chairman and the Sailing Manager with additional members having the appropriate knowledge.
6. Only boats owned by Life, Senior and Full Adult members shall be accepted into the Register of Boats. The Register of Boats owned by members shall be kept and all details deemed necessary shall be kept therein. A boat shall not be registered on the Club's register until launched.
7. Middle Harbour Yacht Club numbers prefixed MH are issued by the Club under the authority of Australian Sailing New South Wales. MH prefixed numbers previously allotted may be reserved for a period of six months in the event of their being temporarily out of use. A boat on the Register of the Club shall only be entitled to one set of numbers issued by or under the authority of Australian Sailing New South Wales, and application for the issue of such numbers shall be made through the Sailing Manager. Boats on the register of Middle Harbour Yacht Club, at the discretion of the owner, may be issued with un-prefixed or MH (interjoined) prefixed numbers of a size determined by the RRS Appendix G. Where the number includes a prefix or class symbol this shall be part of the number and shall be included on all sails requiring such number.

All boats shall be identified by such a number. On white sails, MH numbers shall be red in colour. Unprefixed numbers shall be black, dark blue or red. On dark or coloured sails, MH numbers shall be a clearly contrasting colour. All sail numbers shall comply with RRS Appendix G.
8. In the event of a member selling their boat to another member, joint application shall be made to the Sailing Manager for the transfer of the number where such transfer is desired.
9. In the event of a member selling their boat to a non-member, all Club distinguishing signs, both sail numbers and burgees, shall be removed from the boat and sails, and the Sailing Manager shall be advised of the sale.
10. All entrants in Club races shall comply with the sailing instructions issued by the Sailing Committee. Boats shall be a monohull and self-righting. A boat's class rules shall apply only when a boat is racing in a class fleet or event.
11. The conduct of races for class boats within the Club shall be under terms and conditions as laid down by the Sailing Committee from time to time.
12. The MHYC Burgee shall be displayed by MHYC yachts at all times whilst competing in a MHYC Event (refer to MHYC NOR 10).

SAFETY AND EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

Boats that retire from racing must notify the Race Committee at the earliest opportunity on the designated VHF race frequency or by calling the Sailing Office.

RULES & REGULATIONS

To minimise the risks of racing and boating, the 'Person in Charge' and their crew, must be familiar with and comply with the Rules and Regulations as described in the current:

- Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
- Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing
- International Regulations for the Prevention of Collision at Sea (IRPCS)
- Marine Safety Act 1998 and Marine Safety Regulations 2016
- NSW Maritime regulations that apply to boating on Sydney Harbour
- MHYC Sailing Handbook
- Event Sailing Instructions

BEFORE RACING

The 'Person in Charge' aboard each boat is responsible for ensuring that the boat is properly prepared and that all crew are adequately briefed or trained. The 'Person in Charge' shall:

- Ensure the boat's Safety Equipment Audit Form lodged with the club is current and appropriate for the category of the event in which the boat is racing
- Ensure that all required Safety Equipment is on board and in good working condition
- Ensure all crew members are affiliated with Australian Sailing as members of a club, or have a valid SailPass, and therefore have personal accident insurance
- Ensure that the boat's crew list is completed or updated by the commencement of each race
- Ensure the crew knows where the Safety and Life Saving Equipment is stowed and how to correctly use it
- Ensure all crew is briefed on an Incident Management Plan in the event of an incident, including roles and procedures to be followed
- Ensure all crew is familiar with the boat's Man Overboard (MOB) procedures
- Ensure appropriately experienced crew is on board to cope with the conditions likely to be experienced
- Ensure that the boat reports to the Race Committee its intention to start the race

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

Emergency Services (Police / Fire / Ambulance)	000
NSW Water Police (Marine Area Command)	000 / 9320 7499
Volunteer Marine Rescue NSW	VHF 16 9450 2468
Middle Harbour Volunteer Marine Rescue	9969 3270
NSW Maritime (Rozelle)	VHF 16 9563 8522
Australian Maritime Safety Authority	1800 627 484
Mosman Police	9969 1933
Northern Beaches Hospital	9105 5000
Royal North Shore Hospital	9926 7111
MHYC Sailing Office	VHF 73 9969 1244
MHYC Race Management	VHF 72

INCIDENT AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN

The MHYC Sailing Operations Policy outlines procedures and guidance notes for boats and crew in the event of an incident or emergency. All boats shall have their own Incident Management Plan to deal with minor incidents. For major incidents and emergencies, the following actions should be performed where appropriate:

- **Man Overboard**
Commence man overboard procedure.
Recover the man overboard.
- **Injuries**
Cease racing.
If the injury occurs on another boat, render assistance if required.
Determine the nature of the injury and render first aid.
Contact emergency services for directions if required and then contact MHYC.
At MHYC, the T-head on Marina Arm B is the Emergency Access Point.
- **Vessel in Danger**
Instruct all crew to wear personal flotation devices.
If the vessel is in immediate danger contact the emergency services.
Deploy anchor or other safety devices if appropriate.
- **Evacuation of Injured Crew**
Emergency Authority will direct you to an appropriate rendezvous.
This may be at the nearest available wharf in Sydney Harbour (see page 13).
At MHYC, the T-head on Marina Arm B is the Emergency Access Point.
- **Vessels Requiring Towing**
The MHYC Tenders are not designed, adequately equipped nor staffed to tow boats.
Requests for towing are to be directed to NSW Water Police or Marine Rescue NSW (see emergency contacts on page 9).

REPORTING MARINE INCIDENTS

A written report must be forwarded to the MHYC Sailing Office within 24 hours, setting out the particulars regardless of the type of incident.

A written report must be forward to NSW Maritime within 24 hours setting out the particulars of the incident if one of the following applies:

- The incident has resulted in the death or injury to a person.
- The incident has result in damage in excess of \$5000 to a vessel or any other property.
- Damage or risk to the environment has occurred.

The NSW Maritime Incident Report Form is available at:

<https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/submit-vessel-incident-reports>

The 'Person in Charge' should be aware that the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) only apply between vessels that are racing. All other recreational vessels (including sailing vessels when not racing) are governed by the International Regulations for the Prevention of Collision at Sea and NSW Maritime regulations.

NSW MARITIME BRIEF

1. Be safe!
2. Observe NSW Marine Safety Regulations 2016 and note:
 - Nothing in these Rules shall exonerate any vessel, or the owner, master or crew thereof, from the consequences of any neglect to comply with these Rules or of the neglect of any precaution which may be required by the ordinary practice of seamen, or by the special circumstances of the case.
 - In complying with these Rules due regard shall be had to all dangers of navigation and collision and to any special circumstances, including the limitations of the vessels involved, which may make a departure from these Rules necessary to avoid immediate danger.
 - What this means is that if you're about to be involved in a collision, having stood on or given way in accordance with the Rule; every party involved is responsible in taking avoiding action to prevent a collision.
3. Local Rules require sail craft to keep out of the way of ferries displaying the orange diamond. When necessary, give priority to the Ferry and pass well clear.
4. Be mindful of larger ships' bow flare. When closing any vessel, to prevent being overrun ensure you remain within sight of the officer of the watch on the vessel's bridge. Beware of overhanging bows and other parts of a ship that might obstruct this line of sight. This means that your vessel may disappear from sight inside 200-400 m from the bows of very large ships.
5. Shipping Sound Signal meanings:
 - One short blast - I am altering course to starboard (right)
 - Two short blasts - I am altering course to port (left)
 - Three short blasts - I am operating engines astern (stopping)
 - Five (or more) short blasts – I am unsure of your intentions and I doubt whether you are taking enough avoiding action to avoid collision.

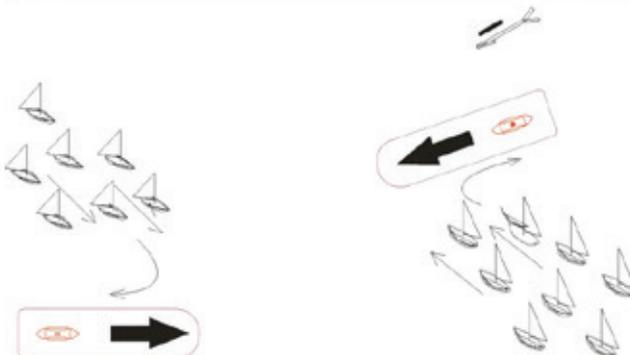
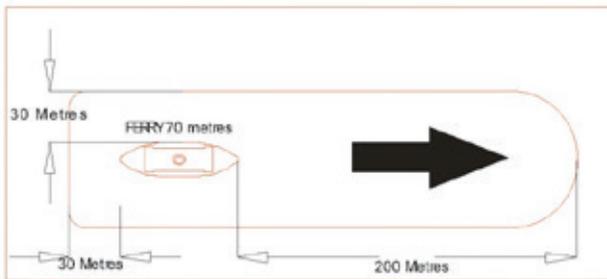
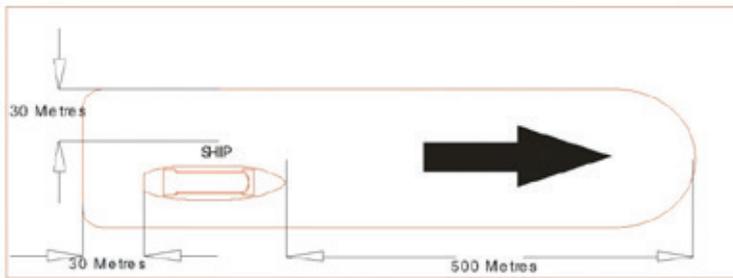
ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS

6. Attendance at the Annual MHYC Skippers Briefing is mandatory to ensure that all competitors receive a briefing in relation to the requirement to keep clear of ships and ferries.
7. Yachts shall not navigate between moorings while racing.
8. Vessels shall not pass between the bow of any Seagoing Ship and a dedicated Port Authority NSW escort vessel.
9. Competing yachts shall maintain a minimum distance of 200m from the bow, and 30m from the sides or stern of any Ferry underway.

When navigating in the vicinity of the Safe Water Mark 350 metres southeast of Bradley's Head, competitors shall pass to the north of the buoy when proceeding westward, and to the south of the buoy when proceeding eastward. If that is not practicable, competitors shall maintain a safe distance from other vessels.

SHIP & FERRY ACTIVATED EXCLUSION ZONE

1. Competitors shall:
 - not pass between the bow of any Seagoing Ship and a dedicated NSW Port Authority escort vessel whilst on escort duty.
 - maintain a minimum distance of 500 metres from the bow and 30 metres from the side or stern of any Seagoing Ship underway.
 - maintain a minimum distance of 200m from the bow, and 30m from the sides or stern of any Ferry underway.
2. Competitors are to be aware of the requirements listed in the Sydney Ports Steer Clear brochure which may be viewed online – [click here](#)



EVACUATION POINTS IN SYDNEY HARBOUR

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AMBULANCE PICK UP POINTS

<p>A – Manly Wharf, Manly</p> <p>B – Middle Harbour Yacht Club Marina, Mosman</p> <p>C – Taronga Zoo Wharf, Mosman</p> <p>D – Cremorne Point Wharf, Cremorne</p>	<p>E – Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron, Kirribilli</p> <p>F – Man ‘O’ War Steps, Opera House</p> <p>G – Cruising Yacht Club of Australia</p> <p>H – Rose Bay Public Wharf, Rose Bay</p>
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MHYC SAILING PROGRAM 2023-2024

SEPTEMBER	Start	Event
Saturday, 2 September 2023	1000	MHYC Opening Day Season 2023-2024
Saturday, 2 September 2023	1130	Opening Day Sail Past
Saturday, 2 September 2023	1230	Feature Event - Commodore's Cup
Saturday, 2 September 2023	1230	Two Handed Series - Commodore's Cup
Sunday, 3 September 2023		Fathers' Day
Wednesday, 6 September 2023	1300	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 1
Saturday, 9 September 2023	1300	Inshore Annual / Spring Pointscore (Passage)
Sunday, 10 September 2023	1100	MC38 Act 5 (one-day)
Wednesday, 13 September 2023	1300	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 1
Thursday, 14 September 2023	1900	Annual Skippers Briefing
Saturday, 16 September 2023	1250	Inshore Annual / Spring Pointscore (Passage)
Saturday, 16 September 2023	1250	Sydney Harbour Combined Clubs Inshore Series (RSYS)
Saturday, 16 September 2023		CYCA Ocean Pointscore - Lion Island
Wednesday, 20 September 2023	1300	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 1
Thursday, 21 September 2023	1900	Skippers & Crew Meet & Greet
Saturday, 23 September 2023	1200	CYCA Short Ocean Pointscore (CYCA)
Saturday, 23 September 2023	1300	Inshore Annual / Spring Pointscore (Passage)
Sunday, 24 September 2023	1300	Sydney Harbour Women's Keelboat Series (MHYC)
Wednesday, 27 September 2023	1300	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 1
Wednesday, 27 September 2023	1900	Keelboat Safety Forum
Thursday, 28 September 2023	1700	Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Warm Up (Non Pointscore)
Saturday, 30 September 2023		Labour Day Weekend
Saturday, 30 September 2023		Labour Day Weekend Cruise

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OCTOBER	Start	Event
Sunday, 1 October 2023		Labour Day Weekend
Sunday, 1 October 2023		Daylight Saving Begins
Sunday, 1 October 2023		Labour Day Weekend Cruise
Monday, 2 October 2023		Labour Day Holiday
Monday, 2 October 2023		Labour Day Weekend Cruise
Wednesday, 4 October 2023	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 1
Thursday, 5 October 2023	1800	Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Pre-Christmas Series
Saturday, 7 October 2023	1230	Feature Event - Harbour Trek
Saturday, 7 October 2023	1230	Inshore Annual / Spring Pointscore (Passage - Harbour Trek)
Saturday, 7 October 2023		Sydney to Auckland Yacht Race Start (RPAYC)
Sunday, 8 October 2023	1000	MOB Practical Training Session
Sunday, 8 October 2023		CYCA Ocean Pointscore - Botany Bay
Wednesday, 11 October 2023	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 1
Thursday, 12 October 2023	1800	Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Pre-Christmas Series
Thursday, 12 October 2023	1800	Smithy's Waterproofing Women's Twilight Series
Saturday, 14 October 2023	1200	Inshore Annual / Spring Pointscore (SHSS)
Saturday, 14 October 2023	1200	Sydney Harbour Sprint Series - Spring (MHYC)
Sunday, 15 October 2023		Make A Wish Foundation Day
Tuesday, 17 October 2023	1700	MC38 Act 6 (Twilight)
Wednesday, 18 October 2023	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 1
Wednesday, 18 October 2023	1700	MC38 Act 6 (Twilight)
Thursday, 19 October 2023	1800	Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Pre-Christmas Series
Friday, 20 October 2023	1800	Friday Spinnaker Twilight Series
Saturday, 21 October 2023	1250	Inshore Annual / Spring Pointscore (Passage)
Saturday, 21 October 2023	1250	Sydney Harbour Combined Clubs Inshore Series (RPEYC)
Saturday, 21 October 2023		Waitangi Cup (Adams 10)
Saturday, 21 October 2023		CYCA Ocean Pointscore - Lion Island
Sunday, 22 October 2023		Waitangi Cup (Adams 10)
Wednesday, 25 October 2023	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 1
Thursday, 26 October 2023	1800	Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Pre-Christmas Series
Saturday, 28 October 2023	1200	CYCA Short Ocean Pointscore (RSYS)
Saturday, 28 October 2023		Cruising Group Tapas Tie-up
Sunday, 29 October 2023	1300	Sydney Harbour Women's Keelboat Series (CYCA)
Sunday, 29 October 2023		Cruising Group Tapas Tie-up

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NOVEMBER	Start	Event
Wednesday, 1 November 2023	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 1
Thursday, 2 November 2023	1800	Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Pre-Christmas Series
Friday, 3 November 2023	1800	Friday Spinnaker Twilight Series
Saturday, 4 November 2023	1200	CYCA Short Ocean Pointscore (MHYC)
Saturday, 4 November 2023	1200	MHYC Ocean Series
Tuesday, 7 November 2023	1700	MC38 Act 7 (Twilight)
Wednesday, 8 November 2023	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 1
Thursday, 9 November 2023	1800	Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Pre-Christmas Series
Saturday, 11 November 2023	1200	Inshore Annual / Spring Pointscore (SHSS)
Saturday, 11 November 2023	1200	Sydney Harbour Sprint Series - Spring (MHYC)
Sunday, 12 November 2023	1300	Sydney Harbour Women's Keelboat Series (RSYS)
Tuesday, 14 November 2023	1700	MC38 Act 7 (Twilight)
Wednesday, 15 November 2023	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 1
Thursday, 16 November 2023	1800	Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Pre-Christmas Series
Thursday, 16 November 2023	1800	Smithy's Waterproofing Women's Twilight Series
Thursday, 16 November 2023		MC38 Australian Championships (CYCA)
Friday, 17 November 2023		ASX Refinitiv Foundation Regatta
Friday, 17 November 2023	1800	Friday Spinnaker Twilight Series
Saturday, 18 November 2023	1250	Inshore Annual / Spring Pointscore (Passage)
Saturday, 18 November 2023	1250	Sydney Harbour Combined Clubs Inshore Series (MHYC & MYC)
Saturday, 18 November 2023		MC38 Australian Championships (CYCA)
Sunday, 19 November 2023		MC38 Australian Championships (CYCA)
Wednesday, 22 November 2023	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 1
Thursday, 23 November 2023	1800	Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Pre-Christmas Series
Saturday, 25 November 2023	1000	MHYC Ocean Series
Saturday, 25 November 2023	1100	SSORC (Passage Race)
Saturday, 25 November 2023	1100	Feature Event - Seven Islands Race
Saturday, 25 November 2023		CYCA Ocean Pointscore - SSORC
Sunday, 26 November 2023	1100	MHYC Ocean Series
Sunday, 26 November 2023	1200	SSORC (Short Ocean Races)
Wednesday, 29 November 2023	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 1
Thursday, 30 November 2023	1800	Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Pre-Christmas Series

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DECEMBER	Start	Event
Friday, 1 December 2023	1800	Friday Spinnaker Twilight Series
Saturday, 2 December 2023	1200	Inshore Annual / Summer Pointscore (SHSS)
Saturday, 2 December 2023	1200	Sydney Harbour Sprint Series - Spring (MHYC)
Saturday, 2 December 2023	1200	Adams 10 NSW Championships
Saturday, 2 December 2023	1200	CYCA Short Ocean Pointscore (RSYS)
Sunday, 3 December 2023	1200	Adams 10 NSW Championships
Wednesday, 6 December 2023	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 2
Thursday, 7 December 2023	1800	Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Pre-Christmas Series
Saturday, 9 December 2023	1250	Inshore Annual / Summer Pointscore (Passage)
Saturday, 9 December 2023	1250	Sydney Harbour Combined Clubs Inshore Series (RSYS)
Wednesday, 13 December 2023	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 2
Thursday, 14 December 2023	1800	Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Pre-Christmas Series
Thursday, 14 December 2023	1800	Smithy's Waterproofing Women's Twilight Series
Friday, 15 December 2023	1800	Friday Spinnaker Twilight Series
Saturday, 16 December 2023	1230	Feature Event - Christmas Cup
Saturday, 16 December 2023	1230	Inshore Annual / Summer Pointscore (Passage - Christmas Cup)
Wednesday, 20 December 2023	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 2
Monday, 25 December 2023		Christmas Day
Tuesday, 26 December 2023		Boxing Day
Tuesday, 26 December 2023		Rolex Sydney Hobart Yacht Race Start

MHYC offers School Holiday Camps at the end of each term. Camps for Tackers (7-12 years) and Teens (13-17 years) run 4 full days with a focus on fun learning in a social environment.

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JANUARY	Start	Event
Monday, 1 January 2024		New Year's Day
Monday, 1 January 2024		New Year's Cruise
Tuesday, 2 January 2024		New Year's Cruise
Wednesday, 3 January 2024	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 2
Wednesday, 3 January 2024		New Year's Cruise
Thursday, 4 January 2024	1800	Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Post-Christmas Series
Thursday, 4 January 2024		New Year's Cruise
Friday, 5 January 2024	1800	Friday Spinnaker Twilight Series
Friday, 5 January 2024		New Year's Cruise
Saturday, 6 January 2024		New Year's Cruise
Sunday, 7 January 2024		New Year's Cruise
Wednesday, 10 January 2024	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 2
Thursday, 11 January 2024	1800	Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Post-Christmas Series
Thursday, 11 January 2024	1800	Smithy's Waterproofing Women's Twilight Series
Saturday, 13 January 2024	1100	Feature Event - Chaos Cup & Bedlam Point Cup
Saturday, 13 January 2024	1100	Beneteau Race Series - Chaos Cup
Saturday, 13 January 2024	1100	Two Handed Series - Chaos Cup
Wednesday, 17 January 2024	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 2
Thursday, 18 January 2024	1800	Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Post-Christmas Series
Friday, 19 January 2024	1800	Friday Spinnaker Twilight Series
Saturday, 20 January 2024	1250	Inshore Annual / Summer Pointscore (Passage)
Saturday, 20 January 2024	1250	Sydney Harbour Combined Clubs Inshore Series (RANSA)
Tuesday, 23 January 2024	1700	MC38 Act 1 (Twilight)
Wednesday, 24 January 2024	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 2
Wednesday, 24 January 2024	1700	MC38 Act 1 (Twilight)
Friday, 26 January 2024		Australia Day
Saturday, 27 January 2024		Australia Day Weekend
Sunday, 28 January 2024		Australia Day Weekend
Wednesday, 31 January 2024	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 2

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FEBRUARY	Start	Event
Thursday, 1 February 2024	1800	Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Post-Christmas Series
Thursday, 1 February 2024	1800	Smithy's Waterproofing Women's Twilight Series
Friday, 2 February 2024	1700	MC38 Act 2 (Twilight)
Friday, 2 February 2024	1800	Friday Spinnaker Twilight Series
Saturday, 3 February 2024	1100	Feature Event - Picnic Race
Saturday, 3 February 2024	1100	Picnic Race and raft-up
Saturday, 3 February 2024	1200	CYCA Short Ocean Pointscore (RSYS)
Sunday, 4 February 2024	1100	MC38 Act 2
Tuesday, 6 February 2024		SAP Redkite Charity Regatta
Wednesday, 7 February 2024	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 2
Thursday, 8 February 2024	1800	Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Post-Christmas Series
Friday, 9 February 2024		Pittwater Regatta & NSW ORC Championships (RPAYC)
Friday, 9 February 2024		Adams 10 Australian Championships (LMYC)
Saturday, 10 February 2024		Pittwater Regatta & NSW ORC Championships (RPAYC)
Saturday, 10 February 2024		Adams 10 Australian Championships (LMYC)
Saturday, 10 February 2024		CYCA Ocean Pointscore - Port Hacking
Sunday, 11 February 2024		Pittwater Regatta & NSW ORC Championships (RPAYC)
Sunday, 11 February 2024		Adams 10 Australian Championships (LMYC)
Monday, 12 February 2024		Adams 10 Australian Championships (LMYC)
Wednesday, 14 February 2024	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 2
Thursday, 15 February 2024	1800	Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Post-Christmas Series
Friday, 16 February 2024	1800	Friday Spinnaker Twilight Series
Saturday, 17 February 2024	1200	CYCA Short Ocean Pointscore (MHYC)
Saturday, 17 February 2024	1200	MHYC Ocean Series
Saturday, 17 February 2024	1250	Inshore Annual / Summer Pointscore (Passage)
Saturday, 17 February 2024	1250	Sydney Harbour Combined Clubs Inshore Series (RSYS)
Sunday, 18 February 2024	1300	Sydney Harbour Women's Keelboat Series (RANSA)
Wednesday, 21 February 2024	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 2
Thursday, 22 February 2024	1800	Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Post-Christmas Series
Friday, 23 February 2024		RFI Spurious Challenge
Friday, 23 February 2024	1800	Friday Spinnaker Twilight Series
Saturday, 24 February 2024		SailGP Sydney
Saturday, 24 February 2024		Barefoot Ball
Saturday, 24 February 2024		CYCA Ocean Pointscore - Lion Island
Sunday, 25 February 2024		SailGP Sydney
Wednesday, 28 February 2024	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 2
Thursday, 29 February 2024	1800	Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Post-Christmas Series

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MARCH	Start	Event
Saturday, 2 March 2024		Sydney Harbour Regatta
Sunday, 3 March 2024		Sydney Harbour Regatta
Wednesday, 6 March 2024	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 3
Thursday, 7 March 2024	1800	Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Post-Christmas Series
Thursday, 7 March 2024	1800	Smithy's Waterproofing Women's Twilight Series
Friday, 8 March 2024	1700	MC38 Act 3 (Twilight)
Saturday, 9 March 2024	1200	CYCA Short Ocean Pointscore (CYCA)
Saturday, 9 March 2024	1230	Feature Event - March Cup
Saturday, 9 March 2024	1230	Beneteau Race Series - March Cup
Saturday, 9 March 2024	1230	Inshore Annual / Summer Pointscore (Passage - March Cup)
Saturday, 9 March 2024		Get-Together & Safety Training
Sunday, 10 March 2024	1100	MC38 Act 3
Sunday, 10 March 2024		Get-Together & Safety Training
Wednesday, 13 March 2024	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 3
Thursday, 14 March 2024	1800	Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Post-Christmas Series
Friday, 15 March 2024	1800	Friday Spinnaker Twilight Series
Saturday, 16 March 2024	1250	Inshore Annual / Summer Pointscore (Passage)
Saturday, 16 March 2024	1250	Sydney Harbour Combined Clubs Inshore Series (MHYC)
Saturday, 16 March 2024		CYCA Ocean Pointscore - Port Hacking
Wednesday, 20 March 2024	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 3
Thursday, 21 March 2024	1800	Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Post-Christmas Series
Friday, 22 March 2024		Renewable Energy Cup
Friday, 22 March 2024		Pittwater to Coffs Harbour Yacht Race Start (RPAYC)
Saturday, 23 March 2024	1200	CYCA Short Ocean Pointscore (MHYC)
Saturday, 23 March 2024	1200	MHYC Ocean Series
Sunday, 24 March 2024	1300	Sydney Harbour Women's Keelboat Series (MYC)
Wednesday, 27 March 2024	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 3
Thursday, 28 March 2024	1800	Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Post-Christmas Series
Thursday, 28 March 2024		Easter Cruise - Shellharbour
Friday, 29 March 2024		Inclusive Classes Regatta (Registration & Training)
Friday, 29 March 2024		Easter Friday
Friday, 29 March 2024		Easter Cruise - Shellharbour
Saturday, 30 March 2024		Inclusive Classes Regatta
Saturday, 30 March 2024		Easter Saturday
Saturday, 30 March 2024		Easter Cruise - Shellharbour
Sunday, 31 March 2024		Easter Sunday
Sunday, 31 March 2024		Inclusive Classes Regatta

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APRIL	Start	Event
Monday, 1 April 2024		Inclusive Classes Regatta
Monday, 1 April 2024		Easter Monday
Monday, 1 April 2024		Easter Cruise - Shellharbour
Wednesday, 3 April 2024	1330	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 3
Thursday, 4 April 2024	1800	Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Post-Christmas Series
Friday, 5 April 2024		Australian Yachting Championship SailFest Newcastle
Saturday, 6 April 2024		Australian Yachting Championship SailFest Newcastle
Sunday, 7 April 2024		Australian Yachting Championship SailFest Newcastle
Sunday, 7 April 2024		Daylight Saving Ends
Wednesday, 10 April 2024	1300	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 3
Saturday, 13 April 2024		Manly Mini Regatta (MYC)
Sunday, 14 April 2024		Manly Mini Regatta (MYC)
Monday, 15 April 2024		Sail Port Stephens Passage Series
Tuesday, 16 April 2024		Sail Port Stephens Passage Series
Wednesday, 17 April 2024	1300	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 3
Wednesday, 17 April 2024		Sail Port Stephens Passage Series
Thursday, 18 April 2024		Sail Port Stephens Passage Series
Friday, 19 April 2024		Sail Port Stephens Passage Series
Wednesday, 24 April 2024	1300	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 3
Thursday, 25 April 2024	1230	Feature Event - Two Up Cup (ANZAC Day)
Thursday, 25 April 2024		ANZAC Day
Friday, 26 April 2024		NSW IRC Championships - Sail Port Stephens
Saturday, 27 April 2024		NSW IRC Championships - Sail Port Stephens
Sunday, 28 April 2024		NSW IRC Championships - Sail Port Stephens



MHYC
YOUTH SAILING

TACKERS

LEARN TO SAIL

Tackers is a fun introductory, games-based sailing program designed for kids aged 7-12 yrs. Kids don't need to have any sailing experience to participate and all the equipment is provided.

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MAY	Start	Event
Wednesday, 1 May 2024	1300	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 3
Saturday, 4 May 2024	1800	MHYC Annual Keelboat Prizegiving
Wednesday, 8 May 2024	1300	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 3
Saturday, 11 May 2024	1100	MC38 Act 4 (one-day)
Sunday, 12 May 2024		Mother's Day
Wednesday, 15 May 2024	1300	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 3
Saturday, 18 May 2024	1230	Feature Event - Autumn Sail
Saturday, 18 May 2024	1230	Two Handed Series - Autumn Sail
Wednesday, 22 May 2024	1300	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 3
Saturday, 25 May 2024	1200	Sydney Harbour Sprint Series - Winter (MHYC)
Wednesday, 29 May 2024	1300	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 3
JUNE	Start	Event
Wednesday, 5 June 2024	1300	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 4
Saturday, 8 June 2024		King's Birthday Weekend
Saturday, 8 June 2024		King's Birthday Weekend Cruise - Pittwater
Sunday, 9 June 2024		King's Birthday Weekend
Sunday, 9 June 2024		King's Birthday Weekend Cruise - Pittwater
Monday, 10 June 2024		King's Birthday Holiday
Monday, 10 June 2024		King's Birthday Weekend Cruise - Pittwater
Wednesday, 12 June 2024	1300	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 4
Saturday, 15 June 2024	1200	Sydney Harbour Sprint Series - Winter (MHYC)
Wednesday, 19 June 2024	1300	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 4
Friday, 21 June 2024		X-Yacht Passage Race - Pittwater to Sydney
Saturday, 22 June 2024	1100	MC38 Act 5 (one-day)
Saturday, 22 June 2024	1230	Feature Event - Welcome to Winter
Saturday, 22 June 2024		X-Yacht Aurum Cup - ANZ 2024
Wednesday, 26 June 2024	1300	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 4
Saturday, 29 June 2024	0900	Free Get Checked Day (Safety Audits)

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JULY	Start	Event
Wednesday, 3 July 2024	1300	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 4
Wednesday, 10 July 2024	1300	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 4
Saturday, 13 July 2024	1200	Sydney Harbour Sprint Series - Winter (MHYC)
Wednesday, 17 July 2024	1300	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 4
Wednesday, 24 July 2024	1300	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 4
Saturday, 27 July 2024	1230	Feature Event - Christmas in July
Saturday, 27 July 2024	1230	Two Handed Series - Christmas in July
Wednesday, 31 July 2024	1300	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 4
AUGUST	Start	Event
Saturday, 3 August 2024	1100	MHYC Women's Regatta
Wednesday, 7 August 2024	1300	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 4
8-15 August 2024		Airlie Beach Race Week
Saturday, 10 August 2024	1230	Leading Edge Series
Wednesday, 14 August 2024	1300	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 4
Saturday, 17 August 2024	1230	Leading Edge Series
17-24 August 2024		Hamilton Island Race Week
Wednesday, 21 August 2024	1300	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 4
Saturday, 24 August 2024	1230	Leading Edge Series
Wednesday, 28 August 2024	1300	Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series 4
29 August – 4 September 2024		Magnetic Island Race Week
Saturday, 31 August 2024	1230	Leading Edge Series



LEARN TO RACE

MHYC RACE SQUAD

Brewer Racing

Young sailors who have mastered the basic skills and progressed to introductory racing can take the next step with Race Squad. Conducted in partnership with Brewer Racing, expert coaches develop the advanced skills young sailors need to succeed at Optimist and 29er Class Championships.

MHYC NOTICE OF RACE

EFFECTIVE FROM 1ST SEPTEMBER, 2023

The organising authority is Middle Harbour Yacht Club (MHYC)

1 RULES

- 1.1 All events for which MHYC is the Organising Authority shall be governed under:
- the rules, as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
 - the Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS);
 - the Rules of the respective One Design Classes;
 - the current IRC Rules, if applicable;
 - the current ORC Rules, if applicable;
- 1.2 In the event of a conflict between the rules or regulations, other than RRS, the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions will prevail.
- 1.3 All MHYC Events are subject to NSW Maritime Regulations, the Marine Safety Regulations 2016 and any MHYC Aquatic Licence or License Exemption issued by Transport for NSW.
- 1.4 This NOR may vary certain specific details of the RRS. The variation of any rule applies only to those details actually mentioned herein and in every other respect the RRS hold good and shall be observed.
- 1.5 The provisions of this NOR may be amended by Sydney Harbour Combined Clubs Notice of Race and the Sydney Harbour Sprint Series Notice of Race, both of which are posted to the MHYC [Keelboat Racing Noticeboard](#).

2 CHANGES TO CLASS RULES AND RACING RULES OF SAILING

- 2.1 The use of powered winches on boats which compete in MHYC events is permitted. This amends RRS 52.
- 2.2 Any changes made to a boat's hull, engine or propeller, trim or sail area or any other changes likely to result in an improvement in performance shall be notified, in writing, to the Sailing Manager at least 7 days before the race affected by the change.
- 2.3 A boat participating in a MHYC race shall not sail through the start or finish line of another division or another club's race wherever practicable. A boat shall not sail or motor through a MHYC finish line unless it is finishing. Where boats not racing must cross the Clubhouse Finish Line, they shall keep clear of boats that are still racing.
- 2.4 A boat shall comply with the RRS Appendix G, Identification on Sails and MHYC Sailing By-Law 3.
- 2.5 In races or divisions designated non-spinnaker, or where an individual boat has entered as 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.
- 2.6 Boats competing in rated or class races must hold a current valid rating or class measurement certificate. Copies of the above certificates must be lodged with the Sailing Office by 1700 hours on the day preceding the boat's first race.
- 2.7 All boats competing in an IRC Division shall hold a current and valid endorsed certificate. The Certificate rating shall only become effective on the date of submission to the Sailing Office.
- 2.8 IRC Rule 22.4.2 is amended in that it shall not apply for MHYC club events. In the case of Combined Club events, Regattas or Championships the host club's rules shall apply.
- 2.9 The Rules of the Adams 10 Metre Class are amended at the request of the Class such that the use of Mast Head Spinnakers is permitted in their one design or other races conducted by MHYC. These spinnakers shall confirm to the following maximum measurements:
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|-------------------------------|----------|
| Maximum Luff | 13,689mm |
| Maximum SMV | 8,230mm |
| Maximum length spinnaker pole | 3,727mm |

- 2.10 For all Inshore Club Racing Events, RRS 55.2 is amended by adding an extra sentence to read: “Fixed and retractable spinnaker poles not attached to the mast shall be permitted for the purpose of setting asymmetrical spinnakers (gennakers)”.

3 AMENDMENTS TO NOTICE OF RACE OR SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 The Race Committee (RC) reserves the right to amend this NOR or the specific SIs for each event. Any amendment will be made in accordance with RRS 89.2(b) and 90.2(c).
- 3.2 Any change to this NOR or the specific SIs will be posted before 0900 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 hours on the day before it will take effect.
- 3.3 The RC may draw attention to any Notices to Competitors that have been posted on the Official Notice Board by displaying Code Flag L from the flagmast at the MHYC Race Officials Box.
- 3.4 The RC may, at its discretion, vary the rules and this NOR if it deems that the entry of a boat in a race or series has the potential to advance the quality of racing in that race or series or contribute to the development of a class or division.

4 EVENT MANAGEMENT

- 4.1 The MHYC Sailing Handbook and its By-Laws, Schedules, Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions are the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions required under RRS 89.2 and 90.2.
- 4.2 The Race Committee shall be the Sailing Committee of MHYC. The RC shall have the power to co-opt additional members for specific purposes.
- 4.3 For the purpose of this NOR, Event means any MHYC on water activity for which Sailing Instructions have been published.
- 4.4 The Race Committee may at its absolute discretion form or abandon racing divisions appropriate to the entries received for an event.

5 COMBINED CLUB RACES

- 5.1 In any race which is conducted by another Club as a joint race for both that Club and MHYC, MHYC entrants shall race under the conducting Club’s Sailing Instructions. Any decision affecting that race made by the RC or Protest Committee of the conducting Club shall apply to the MHYC event, unless otherwise determined by the MHYC RC.

6 ADVERTISING

- 6.1 Advertising on a boat shall comply with the requirements of World Sailing Regulation 20 (Advertising Code).
- 6.2 When required by the Sailing Instructions, a boat shall display the event sponsor’s name, logo or backstay flag in accordance with World Sailing Regulations Appendix 1 Section 20.4.1.
- 6.3 The RC reserves the right to reject or cancel the entry of any boat (RRS 76.1) displaying advertising or sponsorship which is in conflict with the club’s objectives or those of its sponsors or supporters.

7 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 7.1 For a boat to be eligible to enter a MHYC race or series it shall:
- (a) be owned by or chartered to a current Life, Full Adult or Senior category Member;
 - (b) be included on the Boat Register of either MHYC or another Yacht Club affiliated with AS or a World Sailing Member National Authority;
 - (c) hold a current valid AS Special Regulation Equipment Audit Compliance for no less than the Category of event for which it is entered;
 - (d) have paid racing fees prior to competing in an event;
 - (e) have lodged evidence of current and valid marine legal liability cover with MHYC of no less than AUD \$10,000,000 by way of a certificate of currency or policy document copy. It shall be the responsibility of the boat to maintain current and valid cover for the period of the

event in which it is an entry and to lodge evidence with MHYC when the cover is renewed or changed.

- (f) shall have a minimum of two (2) persons on board.
- (g) have provided evidence that all regular crew sailing on board are bona fide members of MHYC, or an alternative Yacht Club affiliated with AS, or hold a valid SailPass or are affiliated with another World Sailing Member National Authority. Attention is drawn to RRS 46 and the AS Prescriptions.
- (h) All visiting boats participating in a MHYC event shall meet the requirements of NOR 8.1 or may, alternatively, have on board a member of the Club at which the boat is registered to be the Person in Charge of the boat. The member shall be a member of a Club or other organisation affiliated to a World Sailing Member National Authority.

7.2 The RC may at its discretion vary eligibility and entry requirements, with the exception of NOR 7.1 (c) & NOR 7.1 (e), if it deems that the entry of a boat in a race or series has the potential to advance the quality of racing in that race or series or contribute to the development of a MHYC class or division.

7.3 Entries shall be online at www.mhyc.com.au and shall be lodged in the case of offshore events by 1200 hours on the Tuesday preceding the commencement of the race or series and in the case of inshore events by 1700 hours on the Thursday preceding the commencement of the race or series. Casual entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Sailing Manager.

7.4 Each yacht is required to register all members of its crew participating in any MHYC race. Failure to register a crew list before the yacht's start time may result in a score of DSQ without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.1.

8 PERSON IN CHARGE (AMENDS RRS 46)

- 8.1 All MHYC registered boats participating in an MHYC event shall have on board a Life, Full or Senior category Member to be the Person in Charge of the boat at all times.
- 8.2 Boats participating in MHYC events which are under charter or hire and which currently hold a valid AMSA Commercial Survey may, on prior application to the RC, seek exemption to NOR 8.1 and nominate a Coxswain or Master currently licensed by Transport for NSW as the Person in Charge (Refer MHYC NOR 8.3).
- 8.3 The Person in Charge is defined by the RC as the person nominated on the race entry form. Where it is intended for another person to be in charge of boat for a race, notification of the change (ensuring compliance against NOR 8.1 & 8.2, as applicable) shall be given in writing to the Sailing Office not less than 3 hours prior to the start of the race or to the RC prior to the warning signal.

9 HELMSPERSON

- 9.1 A boat shall only be helmed by the person(s) nominated on the entry form as the helmsperson or, alternatively, by a member of the crew who has sailed on the boat in at least 50% of the races in the current series.
- 9.2 Where it is intended that a person other than the nominated helmsperson(s) is to helm in a race, notification of the change shall be given to the Sailing Office not less than 3 hours prior to the start or to the RC prior to the warning signal.
- 9.3 The RC may make an adjustment to the handicap of a boat if the divisional representative considers that the change in helmsperson is likely to result in change in the boat's performance.

10 FLAGS AND PENNANTS

- 10.1 The MHYC Burgee shall be displayed by a MHYC Registered Vessel at all times whilst competing in a MHYC Event.
- 10.2 A visiting vessel competing in a MHYC event as a casual entrant may display the burgee of the club at which the boat is registered.

11 SAFETY & AS SPECIAL REGULATIONS

- 11.1 Boats must comply with the following AS Special Regulations from Part 1 Section 2;
- a) Offshore Races - Category 4
 - b) Inshore Races - Category 7
- 11.2 All keelboats competing in MHYC races shall have a current valid AS Special Regulations Audit Compliance Form, a copy of which shall be lodged with the Sailing Manager by 1700 hours on the day preceding a boat's first race.
- 11.3 In addition, all keelboats shall carry:
- (a) The current Racing Rules of Sailing (printed or electronic)
 - (b) Two substantial fenders
 - (c) A current MHYC Sailing Handbook
 - (d) A motor in service in accordance with Part 1 clause 3.24 of AS Special Regulations (except where the boat complies to a one design class whose rules do not require motors)
 - (e) A working handheld or installed VHF radio
 - (f) A Lifebuoy, which at a minimum, shall be fitted with marine grade retro-reflective material and shall be a safety colour in the yellow – red range
 - (g) Operational navigation lights, either permanent or portable
 - (h) One item of life saving equipment ready for immediate use (RRS1.2)
 - (i) NSW Maritime Registration Number displayed on transom minimum 100mm letters
 - (j) MHYC Safety Sticker for the current period displayed on the transom
- 11.4 The RC may provide exemptions from the above provisions.
- 11.5 All keelboats competing in MHYC races shall monitor the race management channel. The race management channel is VHF 72 except where an alternative VHF channel is specified.
- 11.6 All crew on deck of Keelboats entered as Two-Handed shall wear a lifejacket which complies with AS Special Regulations Part 1, Section 5 (minimum Level 50).
- 11.7 Owners and skippers are warned that many areas of Sydney Harbour have shallows and rocks where groundings are possible. Groundings may be "soft" (in sand or mud) or "hard" (against rocks) but in all cases there may be significant damage done to the structure of the vessel. Such damage may be obvious, such as keel movement or cracks in the internal structure, or it may be more difficult to see.
- 11.8 Owners and skippers have a responsibility after any unintentional grounding to inspect the vessel and ensure that there is no damage which would detract from its structural integrity and safety. For vessels in Categories 1-3, this is a requirement under Australian Sailing Special Regulation 3.02.6. For vessels in Categories 4-7, it is a MHYC requirement that the person in charge satisfies themselves of the continuing structural integrity and safety of the vessel after any grounding, however minor. The "Model Keel and Rudder Inspection Procedure" in Appendix C to Part 1 of the Australian Sailing Special Regulations could serve as a guide in this inspection.
- 12 AS SPECIAL REGULATIONS - EQUIPMENT AUDITS**
- 12.1 Audits for MHYC Members will take place at a pre-arranged time through the Sailing Office and bookings are essential. Audits may be conducted on most days, subject to the availability of an accredited Equipment Auditor.
- 12.1.1 Audits conducted outside of pre-arranged Get Checked days will be subject to the following service fees:
- (a) \$50 for Categories 1-2
 - (b) \$30 for Categories 3-4
 - (c) \$20 for Categories 5-7.
- 12.2 Equipment Audits shall only be completed on the official form as provided by AS and on the MHYC Requirements form as provided by MHYC.

- 12.3 **All gear shall be laid out for inspection.** Where equipment is not adequately laid out, the Equipment Auditor may refuse to continue the audit. The boat's 'Owner' or 'Person in Charge' shall be in attendance during the audit.
- 12.4 Where a boat has 'outstanding items' still required as part of its audit, it shall be ineligible to race. Outstanding items shall be presented with audit form for sign off to an accredited Equipment Auditor or the MHYC Sailing Office.
- 12.5 Under AS Special Regulations 2.02.2, every boat may be subject to a 'spot check' equipment audit. A boat whose equipment is found to be non-complying or whose 'Owner' or 'Person in Charge' acts unreasonably in preventing a 'spot check', may be penalised under regulation 2.02.3.
- 13 CARDINAL MARKS AND HARBOUR ISLANDS**
- 13.1 Boats shall pass on the safe water side of the following Cardinal Marks:
(a) Gowlland Bombora (Dobroyd) – All Marks
(b) Sow and Pigs Reef – All Marks
(c) Shark Island – South and West Marks
- 13.2 Boats shall not sail in the following prohibited areas:
(a) The area bounded by imaginary lines projected from the shore joining the West, South and East Cardinal Marks surrounding Gowlland Bombora.
(b) The area bounded by imaginary lines joining the North, East, South and West Cardinal Marks surrounding Sow and Pigs Reef.
(c) The Area between AS Mark Shark Island and Shark Island is a continuing obstruction and no boat shall pass between them.
(d) The Area between the Port Lateral Mark (Lighthouse) to the North of Shark Island and Shark Island is a continuing obstruction and no boat shall pass between them.
- 13.3 For the purpose of RRS 19 and 20, all Cardinal Marks surrounding the Gowlland Bombora and the Sow and Pigs Reef and all imaginary straight lines projected between such marks, shall be deemed obstructions.
- 13.4 When rounding Shark Island, Clarke Island, Fort Denison or Sow and Pigs Reef as marks of the course being sailed, competitors must give inside overlapped boats room to pass on the safe water side of the cardinal mark on the western side of Shark Island, the safe water side of the lateral mark on the southern side of Clarke Island, the safe water side of the lateral mark on the southern side of Fort Denison and the safe water side of all cardinal marks for Sow and Pigs Reef. Failing to give room and thereby forcing another boat to pass these cardinal and lateral marks on the unsafe water side will be considered a gross breach of RRS 2.
- 13.5 When navigating in the vicinity of the Safe Water Mark 350 metres southeast of Bradleys Head, competitors shall pass to the north of the buoy when proceeding westward, and to the south of the buoy when proceeding eastward. If that is not practicable, competitors shall maintain a safe distance from other vessels.
- 14 COMMERCIAL SHIPPING**
- 14.1 Boats shall not interfere with the Commercial or Defence Shipping of the Port. The attention of skippers is drawn to Marine Safety Regulations regarding right of way of vessels entering and leaving port, ferries displaying orange diamonds, vessels engaged in towing, and to the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea. Boats found to have interfered with Commercial or Defence Shipping may be subject to action under RRS 60.2(c). Boats are responsible for any damage they may cause to Navigation Marks in the Port and shall in the event of such damage report the incident to NSW Maritime.
- 14.2 The attention of all Competitors is drawn to NSW Maritime Brief and Ship & Ferry Activated Shipping Zone, in respect of competitors interaction with Commercial Shipping and Ferries on Sydney Harbour. Compliance with these directions is mandatory.

- 14.3 Competing boats and crew are deemed by this NOR to have been advised of NSW Maritime requirements applicable to events conducted by MHYC and boats and crew breaching these requirements will be subject to action under RRS Part 5, Section A.
- 15 CLUBHOUSE START AND FINISH RESTRICTED AREAS**
- 15.1 The areas of moored boats on both sides of the Spit Channel between the Spit Bridge and Clontarf Point are out of bounds to boats under sail. These restricted areas are defined as the area between the imaginary lines that define the swing mooring boundaries and the adjacent shoreline and for the purpose of RRS 19 and 20 these lines shall be deemed continuing obstructions.
- 15.2 When the Clubhouse Start Line and/or Pumphouse Start Line and/or Clubhouse Finish Line are in use, any boat under sail that is observed to enter a restricted area may be disqualified without a hearing. This amends RRS 63.1.
- 15.3 Competitors are reminded that the Spit Channel is a navigation channel and that boats sailing in the vicinity of the start and finish are required to give way to vessels using the channel.
- 16 CLUBHOUSE / PUMPHOUSE START**
- 16.1 The Clubhouse start line is a transit formed by aligning two orange triangles located adjacent to the MHYC Race Official's Box. The transit bears approximately 065°/245° magnetic.
- 16.2 The Pumphouse start line is a transit formed between the north facing walls of the two (2) grey Pump Station Buildings to the southern end of MHYC Clubhouse, one located at Clontarf Beach and the other located on Parriwi Head. The transit bears approximately 065°/245° magnetic.
- 16.3 The RC or Sailing Manager may at its discretion vary the SIs to nominate a Clubhouse start line or Pumphouse start line.
- 16.4 The Clubhouse Pre-Start area is defined as the area between the start line and the extension of the D-Arm outer walkway (northern marina arm).
- 16.5 When the Clubhouse Start Line is in operation, no boat shall enter the Pre-Start Area before her Preparatory Signal unless transiting the area under motor.
- 16.6 The Pumphouse Pre-Start area is defined as the area between the start line and the extension of the A-Arm outer walkway (southern marina arm).
- 16.7 When the Pumphouse Start Line is in operation, no boat shall enter the Pre-Start Area before her Preparatory Signal unless transiting the area under motor.
- 16.8 Any boat observed to breach NOR 16.5 or 16.7 shall be awarded a 45% scoring penalty (SCP). This amends RRS 63.1.
- 17 CLUBHOUSE FINISH**
- 17.1 The Clubhouse Finish Line is a transit formed by aligning two orange triangles located adjacent to the MHYC Race Official's Box. The transit bears approximately 065°/245° magnetic and is illuminated after dark.
- 17.2 When finishing, boats are requested to centre their mainsail in order to assist in the identification of competitors. Boats that cannot be identified will be scored 'DNF'. This amends RRS 63.1.
- 17.3 After finishing and before lowering her sails a boat shall proceed immediately to the north of the extension of the D-Arm outer walkway (northern marina arm). When returning to a berth or mooring a boat shall not cross to the south of this transit unless under motor and with her sails stowed and any boat observed to breach this shall be awarded a 45% scoring penalty (SCP). This amends RRS 63.1.
- 17.4 Boats are reminded of their obligation under RRS 23 and in particular once finishing, to keep clear of boats that are still racing. A boat that is observed to interfere with a boat still racing or with the operation of the Clubhouse Finish Line may be disqualified. This amends RRS 63.1.

18 ON WATER START

- 18.1 Boats intending to race shall report to the Committee Vessel (CV) prior to their Warning signal, on starboard tack, with mainsail hoisted, to confirm their intention to race. Boats that cannot be identified may be scored Did Not Start (DNS).
- 18.2 An inner distance mark may be located near the CV and boats shall leave this mark on the same hand as the CV when starting. No boat shall pass between the distance mark and the CV.
- 18.3 The Race Committee may position a vessel or vessels, flying the MHYC burgee, on the start line extensions at the port and/or starboard end for the purpose of identifying boats OCS at the start.
- 18.4 Following a General Recall, the RC may change the order of divisional starts. This amends RRS 29.2.
- 18.5 Prior to her Preparatory Signal, a boat shall keep clear of the starting line and all boats about to start or which have started. Attention is drawn to RRS 23.
- 18.6 Unless otherwise specified in the Sailing Instructions, a boat shall not start later than 5 minutes after her starting signal. A boat doing so will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This amends RRS 63.1 and A5.

19 ON WATER FINISH

- 19.1 The finish line will be as described in the Sailing Instructions.
- 19.2 Boats shall not pass through the finish line when the CV is on station, except when finishing.

20 RETIREMENT

- 20.1 Boats retiring from racing shall inform the Committee Vessel by hail or on the race management channel at the earliest opportunity. Should this be impractical, boats shall advise the Sailing Office, in person or by telephone 9969 1244, as soon as practicable.
- 20.2 Unless specified otherwise in the Sailing Instructions, a boat which does not advise of its retirement within 60 minutes of retiring may be scored points equal to DNC. This amends RRS 63.1.

21 HANDICAPS

- 21.1 The following ORC Ratings will be applied for the 2023-2024 MHYC Inshore Series:
 - a) For the Sprint Races– Single Number Time on Time Windward/Leeward
 - b) For the Inshore Passage Races – Single Number Time on Time All Purpose
- 21.2 For races other than Pursuit Handicap races, boats will be assigned an arbitrary PHS handicap being a Time Correction Factor (TCF). A boat’s elapsed time shall be multiplied by its TCF to obtain its corrected time for the race. A boat’s corrected time shall be used to determine its place and after imposition of percentage penalties, if any, the boat with the lowest place shall be the winner. In determining an arbitrary handicap for a boat in its initial race or its first race in a new pointscore series, the RC may seek the assistance of the appropriate Divisional Representative or outside parties.
- 21.3 The RC shall document and use a consistent method to determine the PHS handicapping during a series. The selection of the reference boat(s) and the maximum shift in TCF’s shall remain constant for the series.
- 21.4 The RC may at its absolute discretion review any boat’s arbitrary handicap where they are of the opinion that due to anomaly, error or circumstance, the handicap is deemed unfair or unreasonable.
- 21.5 A boat may not seek redress in respect of the assignment of PHS and EHC handicaps. This amends RRS 62.1(a).

22 PURSUIT HANDICAP RACES

- 22.1 For Pursuit Handicap races, the following applies unless otherwise stated in the Sailing Instructions for the event.
- 22.2 The RC or its nominee will allocate a Start Number in whole minutes to a boat. This number will be a count up number as described in the relevant Sailing Instructions.
- 22.3 For Pursuit (Count Up Start) Races, a boat's Start Number is the time in minutes at which her allocated starting time appears in view on the start clock.
- 22.4 A boat is racing from her Preparatory Signal which is 4 minutes before her allocated Start Number.
- 22.5 A boat not racing shall stay well clear of the Start Line and stay outside of the pre-start area (see NOR 16.4 and 16.6). Attention is drawn to RRS 23.
- 22.6 Boats are advised that the RC may not record a boat that starts more than 5 minutes after her Start number as starting. This amends RRS 63.1.
- 22.7 There will be no recall signals. A boat recorded as OCS will be penalised 5 minutes plus the difference between her nominated start time and actual start time. This amends RRS 29.1.
- 22.8 Boats will be scored in the order of crossing the finishing line, including any penalties incurred under NOR 22.5, 22.6 & 22.7 and NOR 16 & 17 (if applicable).
- 22.9 The RC may, at its absolute discretion and at any time, review any boat's arbitrary handicap where it is of the opinion that due to anomaly, error or circumstance, the handicap is deemed unfair or unreasonable.

23 RACE RESULTS AND SERIES SCORES

- 23.1 Race results may be posted on the Official Notice Board and the MHYC website.

24 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 24.1 Protest forms are available at the Sailing Office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 24.2 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 24.3 Notices will inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 24.4 Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

25 SCORING AND AVERAGE POINTS

- 25.1 Scoring will be as specified in the Sailing Instructions for each event.
- 25.2 A boat which misses a race of any MHYC Series in which she is an entrant through competing in a State or National Championship or in any other Major Regatta or Series as endorsed by the MHYC Sailing Committee, shall be entitled to redress being average points.
- 25.3 Requests for average points shall be lodged in writing within 7 days of the event and accompanied by a copy of the result sheet of the event. The maximum number of requests for average points for boats competing in any series other than the CYCA Short Ocean Pointscore Series (SOPS) shall be limited to two (2) race days per series.
- 25.4 Boats competing in CYCA SOPS races conducted on the same day as MHYC Inshore ORC & PH5 Annual Pointscore races will automatically have average points awarded for the MHYC Inshore race. Boats competing in CYCA SOPS races are not required to lodge a request for average points.
- 25.5 Points may be awarded at the next Sailing Committee meeting and shall be the average of points over the entire series in which the average points are awarded.
- 25.6 The calculation of average points will not include races where a redress of average points has already been awarded. The next point score race will be used. Average points will be rounded to one decimal place.

26 RUBBISH

26.1 Competitors shall not dispose rubbish into the water. Refer to RRS 47.

27 COMPETITOR'S RACE MANAGEMENT SCHEME

27.1 Each Boat competing in a Spring, Summer, Annual, Wednesday or Twilight Series is required to provide a minimum of two crew per annum to assist the MHYC Race Management Team.

27.2 Boats are invited to contact the Sailing Office early in the season with their preferred dates and a roster will be maintained by the Sailing Office.

27.3 Skippers are to advise the Sailing Office no later than two days prior to the event of their crew's name. They need to be ready to depart the marina two hours before the scheduled start time and will normally return by 1630 (although this can vary depending on the conditions). They should be adequately prepared for a day on the water. A light lunch and drinks will be provided.

27.4 A boat that is unable to compete in a scheduled Pointscore Race due to a crew member assisting with Race Management duties under the Race Management Scheme shall be entitled to apply to the Sailing Committee for average points. The application shall be lodged no later than two days prior to the event and supported by the boat's Divisional Representative. If awarded, average points shall be the average of points over the entire series in which the average points are awarded.

27.5 A boat that fails to provide a member of their regular crew capable of performing the tasks expected or failure of the crew to arrive in time or adequately prepared is a breach of NOR 27.1 and shall result in the boat being issued a 45% scoring penalty in that day's race or the next race in which the boat competes. This amends RRS 63.1.

28 MEDIA RIGHTS

28.1 By participating in an MHYC event, competitors automatically grant to the Club and its sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any still or motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the competitor during the period of the event without compensation.

29 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

29.1 Competitors participate in MHYC events entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event. Attention is drawn to Fundamental Rule 3 which states: **"The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."**

29.2 By participating in a race under this Notice of Race, each member of the crew of a boat in such races agrees to be governed by the rules and to accept any penalties assessed there under or any other action as may be taken there under, subject to the appeal and review procedures as provided in the RRS as a final determination of any matter and agrees not to resort to a court or tribunal not provided herein with respect to such determination.

29.3 Competitors agree that if the owner/charterer or any person on the owner's/charterer's behalf requests the Race Committee or any officer, employee or volunteer of MHYC to arrange for special assistance because the boat has become disabled, or for any other reason, then the owner/charterer indemnifies MHYC and its officers, employees and agents in respect of any liability, cost or expense which may thereby be incurred.

RACE AND SERIES ENTRY FEES

** Block Entry includes race entry fee exemption for all MHYC Feature Events*

OCEAN SERIES (CAT 4)	Race Days	Casual	Casual (online)	Series	Member Series
Ocean Series Pointscore 6 Races incl. race entry fee exemption for SSORC	5	\$60.00	\$55.00	\$300.00	\$255.00
INSHORE SERIES (CAT 7)	Race Days	Casual	Casual (online)	Series	Member Series
Inshore Annual Pointscore Block Entry * 21 Races incl. CCIS & SHSS (ORC / IRC / PHS)	15	\$60.00	\$55.00	\$900.00	\$765.00
Inshore Spring Pointscore 12 Races incl. CCIS & SHSS (ORC / IRC / PHS)	8	\$60.00	\$55.00	\$480.00	\$408.00
Inshore Summer Pointscore 9 Races incl. CCIS & SHSS (ORC / IRC / PHS)	7	\$60.00	\$55.00	\$420.00	\$357.00
Sydney Harbour Combined Clubs Inshore Series (CCIS) - 7 Races (ORC / IRC / PHS)	7	\$60.00	\$55.00	\$420.00	\$350.00
Sydney Harbour Sprint Series - Spring (SHSS) 9 Races (ORC / IRC / PHS)	3	\$60.00	\$55.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
PACIFIC RIGGING WEDNESDAY NON-SPINNAKER SERIES (CAT 7)	Race Days	Casual	Casual (online)	Series	Member Series
Wednesday Series Block Entry * Includes Series 1, 2, 3 & 4	51	\$60.00	\$55.00	\$3,060.00	\$2,601.00
Wednesday Series 1	13	\$60.00	\$55.00	\$780.00	\$663.00
Wednesday Series 2	12	\$60.00	\$55.00	\$720.00	\$612.00
Wednesday Series 3	13	\$60.00	\$55.00	\$780.00	\$663.00
Wednesday Series 4	13	\$60.00	\$55.00	\$780.00	\$663.00
FLAGSTAFF MARINE THURSDAY TWILIGHT NON-SPINNAKER SERIES (CAT 7)	Race Days	Casual	Casual (online)	Series	Member Series
Thursday Twilight Series Block Entry * Includes Pre- and Post- Christmas Series	25	\$60.00	\$55.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,275.00
Thursday Twilight Series Pre Christmas Includes Twilight Women's Series	11	\$60.00	\$55.00	\$660.00	\$561.00
Thursday Twilight Series Post Christmas Includes Twilight Women's Series	14	\$60.00	\$55.00	\$840.00	\$714.00
Thursday Twilight Women's Series	6	\$60.00	\$55.00	\$360.00	\$200.00
FRIDAY TWILIGHT SPINNAKER SERIES (CAT 7)	Race Days	Casual	Casual (online)	Series	Member Series
Friday Twilight Series	11	\$60.00	\$55.00	\$660.00	\$561.00

RACE AND SERIES ENTRY FEES

** Block Entry includes race entry fee exemption for all MHYC Feature Events*

FEATURE EVENTS SERIES (CAT 7) NOTE: * Block Series Entry includes free entry to all Feature Events	Race Days	Casual	Casual (online)	Series	Member Series
Feature Events Series Includes all Feature Races	11	\$60.00	\$55.00	\$605.00	\$484.00
Commodores 'Front Up' Cup	1	\$60.00	\$55.00	-	-
Harbour Trek (#)	1	\$60.00	\$55.00	-	-
7 Islands Race	1	\$60.00	\$55.00	-	-
Christmas Cup & Veterans Cup (#)	1	\$60.00	\$55.00	-	-
Chaos Cup & Bedlam Point Cup (%)	1	\$60.00	\$55.00	-	-
Picnic Race	1	\$60.00	\$55.00	-	-
March Cup (%) (#)	1	\$60.00	\$55.00	-	-
ANZAC Day 'Two Up' Cup (#)	1	\$60.00	\$55.00	-	-
Autumn Sail	1	\$60.00	\$55.00	-	-
Welcome to Winter	1	\$60.00	\$55.00	-	-
Christmas in July	1	\$60.00	\$55.00	-	-
Two-Handed Series Includes 4 selected Races (#)	4	\$60.00	\$55.00	\$220.00	\$180.00
Beneteau Race Series Includes 2 selected Races (%)	2	\$60.00	\$55.00	\$110.00	\$90.00
WINTER SERIES (CAT 7)	Race Days	Casual	Casual (online)	Series	Member Series
Sydney Harbour Sprint Series – Winter 9 Races (ORC / IRC / PHS)	3	\$60.00	\$55.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Leading Edge Series 4 Races (PurHC)	4	\$60.00	\$55.00	\$220.00	\$187.00
SAILING 10 PASS	Race Days	Casual	Casual (online)	Series	Mem. Series
Casual Race in Any Series Pre-Paid - 10 Races with 10% discount	10	-	-	\$600.00	\$540.00

MHYC RACE SERIES

Middle Harbour Yacht Club offers a diverse racing program with a wide range of competitions to suit different boats and sailing interests.

Saturday Racing...

OCEAN SERIES

The Ocean Series Pointscore includes 6 races between November and March. IRC is the principal handicap system along with ORC and PHS scores. Category 4 offshore safety is required. Entrants often use this series in preparation for the major offshore races such as the Sydney to Hobart.

INSHORE RACING

MHYC is Sydney's Premier Inshore Yacht Racing Club and offers an extensive program of races inside our magnificent Harbour.

The Inshore Annual Pointscore includes 21 races from September to April with 12 inshore passage races and 9 sprint (windward-leeward) races. Most races are started and finished on the water. Handicapping is on ORC, IRC & PHS. All of the Sydney Harbour Combined Clubs Inshore Series races and the Sydney Harbour Spring Sprint Series, along with 3 Feature Events, are included in the Inshore Annual Pointscore. For boats that are unable to sail for the full season, there are 19 races in the Spring Pointscore ending in November and 9 races in the Summer Pointscore. Alternatively, just pick and choose the racing days that suit and enter as a casual.

If the faster pace of windward leeward racing is more appealing, MHYC conducts the Sydney Harbour Sprint Series over 3 days from October to December and 3 days from May to July with 3 races each day scored on IRC, ORC, PHS and One-Design.

ONE DESIGN RACING

MHYC boasts a strong group of One-Design classes – J/24, Adams 10, Farr 40 and MC38. These classes compete within the divisional inshore race program but may also have a one-design pointscore for the annual program. Class Championships and regular one-design regattas are also a feature at MHYC.

FEATURE EVENT SERIES

There are 11 MHYC Feature Events held each year. Popular with the “occasional” racers and visitors from other clubs, an interesting series of courses are offered including the Seven Islands Race and the Chaos Cup. Boats can sail with or without spinnaker. Three of these races are included in the Inshore Annual Pointscore.

Midweek Racing...

PACIFIC RIGGING WEDNESDAY NON-SPINNAKER SAILING

The MHYC Wednesday Series attracts a regular cohort of sailors for their weekly fix of sailing and socialising. As important as the racing is the after-sail barbeque, quiz, raffle and prizegiving. There is a bottle of rum for the first boat home in each division! 51 races are scheduled throughout the year and entries are invited in either of the 4 series or as a casual. Courses take in all parts of the outer Harbour and the non-spinnaker format makes it easier to sail with fewer or less experienced crew.



FLAGSTAFF MARINE THURSDAY TWILIGHT

Thursday evening Twilight Sailing at MHYC is conducted during daylight saving with starts at 6pm. A short sail in the late afternoon during the warmer months is good for the soul and the fun continues at the club after sailing for dinner and drinks and prizegiving. Twilights are broken into Pre- and Post-Christmas Series and a Twilight Women's Series race is held each month.



FRIDAY TWILIGHT FLEET RACING

Introduced for the 2023-2024 sailing season, this series of 11 evening spinnaker races will be held during daylight saving time with starts at 6pm. This is a great way to finish the week, gliding around the harbour under colourful spinnakers.

Winter Sailing...

The MHYC Winter program, running from May to August, includes pursuit and sprint racing. There are 9 races in the Sydney Harbour Sprint Series, 2 Feature Races and 4 races in the Leading Edge Series. Spinnaker and non-spinnaker entries are invited in these more relaxed series which take advantage of the (usually) lighter breezes at this time of year.



Annual Skippers Briefing

The Skippers Briefing will be held on September 14 this year. This is an important event that must be attended by a representative from each boat that races in any MHYC series. The briefing covers key sections and any changes to the Season Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, structure of the racing program and safety. NSW Maritime also provide a safety briefing.



Skippers and Crew Meet & Greet

For skippers looking for crew and crew looking for a regular sail, this is a great opportunity for skippers to outline their sailing program for the year to meet crew with different interests and levels of experience. The 2023 Skippers and Crew Meet & Greet will be held on September 21.

Questions?

If you have any questions about the MHYC Sailing Program, email sailing@mhyc.com.au



HANDICAPPING AT MHYC

Middle Harbour Yacht Club uses a number of different handicapping systems to provide enjoyable and competitive racing for its members who sail a variety of different boats.

IRC

The International Rating Certificate is a rating rule to handicap different designs of keelboats allowing them to race together. A rating is not altered between races according to the individual boat's performance but is based on the physical measurements of the boat.

IRC handicapping is used for the premier classes in MHYC's major regattas, the Sydney Short Offshore Racing Championship and Sydney Harbour Regatta. It is also used for the MHYC Ocean Series and Inshore Series.

ORC Club

ORC Club uses the Velocity Prediction Program (VPP) to rate boats of different characteristics. It relies on the measurement of a boat and its sails, affecting their theoretical speed. With ORC Club, a boat's handicap remains constant from week to week.

ORC Club is a simplified and less expensive version of the ORC International rating system (ORCi) which is based on a complete boat measurement. It is designed for Club-level racing up to national championship level. Both systems having the same rating and can be scored together in any races.

ORC Club handicapping is used for the Sydney Harbour Combined Clubs Inshore Series, MHYC Inshore Pointscore, Sydney Harbour Sprint Series and Friday Twilight Spinnaker Fleet Series.

OD

One Design racing is where all boats are identical or similar in design. Class-legal boats race each other without any handicap calculations, start at the same time, and the winner is the first to cross the finish line. One Design results are used for the Sydney Harbour Regatta and for Adams 10, J/24, Farr 40 and MC38 classes in the MHYC Inshore Series, Sydney Harbour Sprint Series and for class sanctioned regattas.

PHS

The Performance Handicap System adjusts a boat's handicap after each race based on the performance of that boat relative to other boats in that fleet.

Entrants in each race have a starting handicap based on the boat's performance history. When the results are calculated for that race, an algorithm generates a new handicap for each boat to be applied in the next race.

PHS rewards consistent performance improvements and levels the playing field for older boats and less experienced crews. PHS is used for the Sydney Harbour Combined Clubs Inshore Series, MHYC Inshore Pointscore, Sydney Harbour Sprint Series and Friday Twilight Spinnaker Fleet Series.

Pursuit

Pursuit Handicaps are generated through the Performance Handicap System and provide a time (in whole minutes) after the race start time at which a boat is permitted to start. MHYC uses PHS to handicap boats based on their performance in previous races. It is designed to provide greater opportunity for all boats to achieve a race win or high placing and keep competition interesting for all the fleet.

Pursuit Handicaps are used on a progressive basis for the Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series and the Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Non-Spinnaker Series. Pursuit Handicaps are allocated on a race-by-race basis for MHYC Feature Events and Charity and Corporate Regattas.

MHYC OCEAN POINTSCORE SERIES

Category 4 – Results on IRC, ORC & PHS for Divisions 1 & 2

SCHEDULE OF RACES

RACE	DATE	START TIME	CAT.	RACE FORMAT	INFORMATION
1	Saturday, 4 November 2023	1200	4	Short Ocean Pointscore (SOPS)	CYCA Sailing Instructions
2	Saturday, 25 November 2023	1000	4	Ocean Pointscore (SSORC Passage)	MHYC Event Sailing Instructions
3 4	Sunday, 26 November 2023	1100	4	Windward-Leeward (SSORC Laid Marks)	MHYC Event Sailing Instructions
5	Saturday, 17 February 2024	1200	4	Short Ocean Pointscore (SOPS)	CYCA Sailing Instructions
6	Saturday, 23 February 2024	1200	4	Short Ocean Pointscore (SOPS)	CYCA Sailing Instructions

MHYC OCEAN POINTSCORE SERIES**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS****1 RULES**

- 1.1 Refer to NOR 1 and 2.
 1.2 Attention is drawn to NOR 11 - *Boats must comply with the following AS Special Regulations Part 1 Section 2 - Category 4*

2 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 2.1 Racing is scheduled as detailed in the Schedule of Races.

3 RACE DOCUMENTS

- 3.1 Attention is drawn to NOR 5.1
In any race which is conducted by another Club as a joint race for both that Club and MHYC, MHYC entrants will race under the conducting Club's SIs. Any decision affecting that race made by the RC or Protest Committee of the conducting Club shall apply to the MHYC event, unless otherwise decided by the MHYC RC.

4 SCORING

- 4.1 The Low Point System, Appendix A of the RRS shall apply.
 4.2 A casual race entrant will not receive a series score. This amends RRS A2.2.
 4.3 Abandoned races will not be re-sailed.
 4.4 Six (6) races are scheduled and two (2) races are required to be completed to constitute a series. One (1) excluded score will apply after four (4) completed races.

5 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 5.1 Refer to NOR 29.
 5.2 Attention is drawn to Fundamental Rule 3 which states: *"The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".*

ORC, IRC & PHS INSHORE ANNUAL / SPRING / SUMMER SERIES POINTSCORE

Category 7 – Results on ORC, IRC & PHS for Divisions 1, 2 & 3

SCHEDULE OF RACES

RACE *	DATE	START	EVENT	SIs
1	Saturday, 9 September 2023	1300	Inshore Annual / Spring Pointscore (Passage)	Inshore
2	Saturday, 16 September 2023	1250	Inshore Annual / Spring Pointscore (Passage)	CCIS
3	Saturday, 23 September 2023	1300	Inshore Annual / Spring Pointscore (Passage)	Inshore
4	Saturday, 7 October 2023	1230	Inshore Annual / Spring Pointscore (Harbour Trek)	Event SIs
5 6 7	Saturday, 14 October 2023	1200	Inshore Annual / Spring Pointscore (SHSS)	SHSS
8	Saturday, 21 October 2023	1250	Inshore Annual / Spring Pointscore (Passage)	CCIS
9 10 11	Saturday, 11 November 2023	1200	Inshore Annual / Spring Pointscore (SHSS)	SHSS
12	Saturday, 18 November 2023	1250	Inshore Annual / Spring Pointscore (Passage)	CCIS
13 14 15	Saturday, 2 December 2023	1200	Inshore Annual / Summer Pointscore (SHSS)	SHSS
16	Saturday, 9 December 2023	1250	Inshore Annual / Summer Pointscore (Passage)	CCIS
17	Saturday, 16 December 2023	1230	Inshore Annual / Summer Pointscore (Christmas Cup)	Event SIs
18	Saturday, 20 January 2024	1250	Inshore Annual / Summer Pointscore (Passage)	CCIS
19	Saturday, 17 February 2024	1250	Inshore Annual / Summer Pointscore (Passage)	CCIS
20	Saturday, 9 March 2024	1230	Inshore Annual / Summer Pointscore (March Cup)	Event SIs
21	Saturday, 16 March 2024	1250	Inshore Annual / Summer Pointscore (Passage)	CCIS

* Race Numbers are for the Inshore Annual Series

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Inshore - refer to the MHYC Inshore Sailing Instructions which follow on page 41 and are posted on the MHYC [Keelboat Racing Noticeboard](#).

CCIS - refer to the Sydney Harbour Combined Clubs Inshore Series Sailing Instructions which follow on page 48 and are posted on the MHYC [Keelboat Racing Noticeboard](#) along with the Series Notice of Race.

SHSS - refer to the Sydney Harbour Sprint Series Sailing Instructions which follow on page 54 and are posted on the MHYC [Keelboat Racing Noticeboard](#) along with the Series Notice of Race.

Event SIs - refer to the MHYC Feature Event Sailing Instructions which are available on each Feature race day and posted on the MHYC [Keelboat Racing Noticeboard](#).

INSHORE SERIES SCORING AND PRIZES

1 SCORING

- 1.1 The Low Point System, Appendix A of the RRS including A5.3 shall apply.
- 1.2 For the identified Pursuit Races included in the series, a boat's ORC, IRC & PHS TCFs shall be applied to it's elapsed time for races in the Inshore Series.
- 1.3 A casual race entrant will not receive a series score. This amends RRS A2.2.
- 1.4 Abandoned races will not be re-sailed.
- 1.5 Inshore Annual ORC, IRC & PHS Pointscore Series
Twenty one (21) races are scheduled and ten (10) races are required to be completed to constitute a series. One (1) excluded score will apply after every four (4) completed races, up to a maximum of five (5) excluded scores.
- 1.6 Inshore Spring ORC, IRC & PHS Pointscore Series
Twelve (12) races are scheduled and five (5) races are required to be completed to constitute a series. One (1) excluded score will apply after every four (4) completed races, up to a maximum of three (3) excluded scores.
- 1.7 Inshore Summer ORC, IRC & PHS Pointscore Series
Nine (9) races are scheduled and four (4) races are required to be completed to constitute a series. One (1) excluded score will apply after every four (4) completed races, up to a maximum of two (2) excluded scores.
- 1.8 One Design Annual Pointscore Series
Where a One-Design class has four (4) or more entries in the Annual ORC, IRC & PHS Pointscore Series by October 15, 2023, a One-Design Pointscore will be published with finish times drawn from divisional racing.
- 1.9 One Design Spring Pointscore Series
Where a One-Design class has four (4) or more entries in the Spring ORC, IRC & PHS Pointscore Series by October 15, 2023, a One-Design Pointscore will be published with finish times drawn from divisional racing.
- 1.10 One Design Summer Pointscore Series
Where a One-Design class has four (4) or more entries in the Summer ORC, IRC & PHS Pointscore Series by October 15, 2023, a One-Design Pointscore will be published with finish times drawn from divisional racing.

2 PRIZES

- 2.1 Weekly divisional prizes may be awarded at a post-race presentation in accordance with the Saturday Prizegiving Policies. Prizes not collected shall be forfeited.
- 2.2 Series awards will be awarded at the Annual Presentation.

MHYC INSHORE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

1.1 Refer to NOR 1 and 2.

2 SCHEDULE OF RACES

2.1 Racing is scheduled as per the Schedule of Races.

3 CLASS FLAGS & DIVISIONS

3.1 Class flags will be:

CLASS / DIVISION	CLASS FLAG
Division 1	Code Flag 'D'
Division 2	Code Flag 'E'
Division 3	Code Flag 'F'

4 THE COURSES

4.1 The course to be sailed will be displayed on a Course Board on the race committee, as shown below and will be designated either "COURSE" (Fig (i)) or "NAVAL" (Fig (ii))



Fig (i)



Fig (ii)

4.2 For courses designated "COURSE" the course to be sailed shall be from those listed in the SIs.

4.3 For courses designated "NAVAL" the course to be sailed for each division shall be the course number shown on the chart below opposite the wind direction and Naval Numeral indicator.

NAVAL COURSE CHART						
Wind	"NAVAL"	Start Line	Div.1	Div.2	Div.3	Finish Line
N	1	CC	1	2	3	SC
N	2	CC	2	2	3	SC
NNE	3	HB	4	5	6	SC
NNE	4	HB	5	5	6	SC
NE	5	HB	7	8	9	SC
NE	6	HB	9	10	10	SC
ENE	7	HB	11	12	12	SC/CP
E	8	HB/GP	13	13	14	SC/CP
SE	9	HB/GP	16	16	17	WB
S	10	NH	18	18	19	WB
S	11	NH	18	19	19	WB
SW	12	SC	20	20	21	HB
W	13	SC/CP	22	23	23	HB
NW	14	CC	24	25	25	HB
NW	15	CC	24	25	26	HB

CC = Camp Cove / CP = Cannae Point / GP = Grotto Point / HB = Hunters Bay
NH = North Harbour / SC = Spring Cove / WB = Watsons Bay

- 4.4 When the race committee displays Code Flag "S" at the start line, the course for each division is shortened and boats shall round the mark prefixed (*) in the course description on the required side and proceed directly to the finish.
- 4.5 If the race committee shortens any course in accordance with RRS 32 for specific divisions only, the divisional flag for those divisions for which the course is to be shortened will be flown below Code Flag "S".

5 THE START

- 5.1 The start will be an On Water Start in accordance with NOR 18.
- 5.2 Boats intending to race shall report to the committee vessel prior to their warning signal, on starboard tack, with mainsail hoisted, to confirm their intention to race. Boats that cannot be identified may be scored 'DNS'.
- 5.3 The starting line will be between a staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on the committee vessel and the course side of the start mark.
- 5.4 The first Warning Signal for MHYC Inshore Series passage races shall not be made before 1255hrs. The first Warning Signal for Combined Clubs Inshore Series races shall not be made before 1250hrs. The first Warning Signal for Sydney Harbour Sprint Series races shall not be made before 1155hrs.
- 5.5 The RC may combine a divisional start with another.
- 5.6 Prior to her Preparatory Signal, a boat shall keep clear of the starting line and all boats about to start or which have started. Attention is drawn to RRS 23.
- 5.7 When the race committee determines the Clubhouse or Pumphouse Start and Clubhouse Finish is to be used (in accordance with NOR 16 and 17), Code Flag "O" will be displayed from the Club Race Officials Box not less than one hour before the scheduled start time of the race or first division.

6 THE FINISH

- 6.1 The finishing line will be between a staff or halyard displaying a blue flag on the committee vessel and the course side of the finish mark.
- 6.2 When the race committee determines the Clubhouse finish line to be used, the race committee will display Code Flag "O". This signal may be displayed at any time with 3 long sound signals. Boats shall sail the course until the final mark then proceed to the Clubhouse and finish in accordance with NOR 17.

7 TIME LIMITS

- 7.1 Unless otherwise prescribed, the time limit for each division shall be 3 hours 30 minutes or 30 minutes after the first boat in that division finishes, whichever is earlier. Only those boats finishing within the time limit shall rank as finishers. This amends RRS 35.
- 7.2 Boats retiring from racing comply with NOR 20.

8 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 8.1 Refer to NOR 29.
- 8.2 Attention is drawn to Fundamental Rule 3 which states: *"The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".*

INSHORE SERIES COURSE DESCRIPTIONS
COURSE NOTES:

- 1) All marks are to be rounded or passed to STARBOARD except those suffixed with the letter (P) which shall be rounded or passed to PORT.
- 2) For shortened course mark (*) refer to sailing instructions 4.4 & 4.5.
- 3) Division 3 omit marks designated (x).

COURSE 1 – NORTH (approx. 13.9 nm)

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|----|----------------------------------|-----|------------------------------|
| 1. | Start Camp Cove | 8. | AS Mark Manly East |
| 2. | AS Mark Manly West | 9. | MH Inflatable South Reef (P) |
| 3. | AS Mark Manly East | 10. | AS Mark Cannae Point |
| 4. | AS Mark Cannae Point | 11. | MH Inflatable South Reef (P) |
| 5. | MH Inflatable Grotto Point (P) | 12. | AS Mark Cannae Point |
| 6. | MH Inflatable South Reef (P) (*) | 13. | MH Inflatable South Reef (P) |
| 7. | AS Mark Manly West | 14. | Finish Spring Cove |

COURSE 2 — NORTH (approx. 12.7 nm)

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|----|----------------------------------|-------|------------------------------|
| 1. | Start Camp Cove | 7.(x) | AS Mark Manly West |
| 2. | AS Mark Manly West | 8.(x) | AS Mark Manly East |
| 3. | AS Mark Manly East | 9.(x) | MH Inflatable South Reef (P) |
| 4. | AS Mark Cannae Point | 10. | AS Mark Cannae Point |
| 5. | MH Inflatable Grotto Point (P) | 11. | MH Inflatable South Reef (P) |
| 6. | MH Inflatable South Reef (P) (*) | 12. | Finish Spring Cove |

COURSE 3 — NORTH (approx. 11.9 nm)

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|----|--------------------------|----|-----------------------|
| 1. | Start Camp Cove | 5. | AS Mark Manly West |
| 2. | AS Mark Manly West | 6. | AS Mark Manly East |
| 3. | AS Mark Manly East | 7. | AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 4. | AS Mark Nielsen Park (*) | 8. | Finish Spring Cove |

COURSE 4 – NOR NOR EAST (approx. 15.3 nm)

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|----|---------------------------|-----|---------------------------|
| 1. | Start Hunters Bay | 7. | AS Mark Manly East |
| 2. | AS Mark Manly West | 8. | AS Mark Edwards Beach (*) |
| 3. | AS Mark Manly East | 9. | AS Mark Manly West |
| 4. | MH Inflatable South Reef | 10. | AS Mark Manly East |
| 5. | MH Inflatable Chowder Bay | 11. | AS Mark Lady Bay |
| 6. | AS Mark Manly West | 12. | Finish Spring Cove |

COURSE 5 — NOR NOR EAST (approx. 14.0 nm)

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|----|---------------------------|-----|---------------------------|
| 1. | Start Hunters Bay | 7. | AS Mark Manly East (*) |
| 2. | AS Mark Manly West | 8. | AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 3. | AS Mark Manly East | 9. | AS Mark Cannae Point |
| 4. | MH Inflatable South Reef | 10. | MH Inflatable South Reef |
| 5. | MH Inflatable Chowder Bay | 11. | MH Inflatable Chowder Bay |
| 6. | AS Mark Manly West | 12. | Finish Spring Cove |

COURSE 6 — NOR NOR EAST (approx. 10.2 nm)

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|----|-------------------------------|----|---------------------------|
| 1. | Start Hunters Bay | 6. | AS Mark Cannae Point |
| 2. | AS Mark Manly West | 7. | MH Inflatable South Reef |
| 3. | AS Mark Manly East | 8. | MH Inflatable Chowder Bay |
| 4. | MH Inflatable South Reef | 9. | Finish Spring Cove |
| 5. | MH Inflatable Chowder Bay (*) | | |

COURSE 7 — NORTH EAST (approx. 15.4 nm)

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|----|-------------------------------|-----|---------------------------|
| 1. | Start Hunters Bay | 7. | AS Mark East Channel |
| 2. | AS Mark Cannae Point | 8. | MH Inflatable Chowder Bay |
| 3. | MH Inflatable Chowder Bay | 9. | AS Mark Cannae Point |
| 4. | AS Mark Cannae Point | 10. | AS Mark Obelisk Bay |
| 5. | MH Inflatable Chowder Bay (*) | 11. | Finish Spring Cove |
| 6. | AS Mark Cannae Point | | |

COURSE 8 — NORTH EAST (approx. 14.7 nm)

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|----|-------------------------------|-----|-------------------------------|
| 1. | Start Hunters Bay | 6. | MH Inflatable Manly Point (P) |
| 2. | AS Mark Cannae Point | 7. | AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 3. | MH Inflatable Chowder Bay | 8. | MH Inflatable Manly Point (P) |
| 4. | AS Mark Cannae Point | 9. | AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 5. | MH Inflatable Chowder Bay (*) | 10. | Finish Spring Cove |

COURSE 9 — NORTH EAST (approx.13.2 nm)

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|----|---------------------------|-----|-------------------------------|
| 1. | Start Hunters Bay | 6. | MH Inflatable Chowder Bay (*) |
| 2. | AS Mark Cannae Point | 7. | AS Mark Cannae Point |
| 3. | AS Mark East Channel | 8. | AS Mark East Channel |
| 4. | MH Inflatable Chowder Bay | 9. | MH Inflatable Chowder Bay |
| 5. | AS Mark Cannae Point | 10. | Finish Spring Cove |

COURSE 10 — NORTH EAST (approx. 12.1 nm)

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|----|-------------------------------|-------|-------------------------------|
| 1. | Start Hunters Bay | 5. | MH Inflatable Chowder Bay |
| 2. | AS Mark Cannae Point | 6.(x) | MH Inflatable Manly Point (P) |
| 3. | MH Inflatable Chowder Bay (*) | 7.(x) | AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 4. | MH Inflatable Manly Point (P) | 8. | Finish Spring Cove |

COURSE 11 — EAST NORTH EAST (approx. 14.4 nm)

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|----|-------------------------------|-----|-----------------------------------|
| 1. | Start Hunters Bay | 6. | MH Inflatable North Head (P) |
| 2. | AS Mark Cannae Point | 7. | AS Mark Taylors Bay (*) |
| 3. | MH Inflatable Obelisk Bay (P) | 8. | MH Inflatable North Head (P) |
| 4. | MH Inflatable North Head (P) | 9. | MH Inflatable Obelisk Bay (P) |
| 5. | MH Inflatable Obelisk Bay (P) | 10. | Finish Spring Cove / Cannae Point |

COURSE 12 — EAST NORTH EAST (approx. 12.0 nm)

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|----|-------------------------------|-------|-----------------------------------|
| 1. | Start Hunters Bay | 6. | MH Inflatable North Head (P) |
| 2. | AS Mark Cannae Point | 7. | MH Inflatable Obelisk Bay (P) (*) |
| 3. | MH Inflatable Obelisk Bay (P) | 8.(x) | MH Inflatable North Head (P) |
| 4. | MH Inflatable North Head (P) | 9.(x) | MH Inflatable Obelisk Bay (P) |
| 5. | MH Inflatable Obelisk Bay (P) | 10. | Finish Spring Cove / Cannae Point |

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COURSE 13 — EAST (approx. 12.7 nm)

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|----|----------------------------------|-----|-----------------------------------|
| 1. | Start Hunters Bay / Grotto Point | 7. | AS Mark Edwards Beach (*) |
| 2. | MH Inflatable North Head (P) | 8. | MH Inflatable North Head (P) |
| 3. | AS Mark Rocky Point | 9. | AS Mark Rocky Point |
| 4. | AS Mark Edwards Beach | 10. | AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 5. | MH Inflatable North Head (P) | 11. | Finish Spring Cove / Cannae Point |
| 6. | AS Mark Rocky Point | | |

COURSE 14 — EAST (approx. 9.8 nm)

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|----|----------------------------------|-------|-----------------------------------|
| 1. | Start Hunters Bay / Grotto Point | 6. | AS Mark Grotto Point (*) |
| 2. | MH Inflatable North Head (P) | 7.(x) | MH Inflatable North Head (P) |
| 3. | AS Mark Rocky Point | 8.(x) | AS Mark Grotto Point |
| 4. | AS Mark Edwards Beach | 9. | Finish Spring Cove / Cannae Point |
| 5. | MH Inflatable North Head (P) | | |

COURSE 15 — EAST SOUTH EAST (approx. 12.9nm)

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|----|----------------------------------|--------|-----------------------|
| 1. | Start Hunters Bay / Grotto Point | 7. | AS Mark Lady Bay |
| 2. | AS Mark Lady Bay | 8. | AS Mark Rocky Point |
| 3. | AS Mark Rose Bay | 9. | AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 4. | AS Mark Chowder Bay North | 10.(x) | AS Mark Lady Bay |
| 5. | AS Mark Rocky Point | 11.(x) | AS Mark Grotto Point |
| 6. | AS Mark Edwards Beach (*) | 12. | Finish Camp Cove |

COURSE 16 — SOUTH EAST (approx. 12.6 nm)

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|----|----------------------------------|-----|-------------------------|
| 1. | Start Hunters Bay / Grotto Point | 7. | AS Mark Taylor Bay |
| 2. | AS Mark East Channel | 8. | AS Mark Rose Bay |
| 3. | AS Mark Obelisk Bay | 9. | AS Mark Obelisk Bay (*) |
| 4. | AS Mark East Channel | 10. | AS Mark East Channel |
| 5. | MH Inflatable Chowder Bay (P) | 11. | AS Mark Grotto Point |
| 6. | AS Mark Rose Bay | 12. | Finish Watsons Bay |

COURSE 17 — SOUTH EAST (approx. 11.0 nm)

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|----|----------------------------------|-------|----------------------|
| 1. | Start Hunters Bay / Grotto Point | 6. | AS Mark Rose Bay |
| 2. | AS Mark East Channel | 7.(x) | AS Mark Obelisk Bay |
| 3. | MH Inflatable Chowder Bay (P) | 8.(x) | AS Mark East Channel |
| 4. | AS Mark Rose Bay | 9. | AS Mark Obelisk Bay |
| 5. | AS Mark Chowder Bay North (*) | 10. | Finish Watsons Bay |

COURSE 18 — SOUTH (approx. 13.5 nm)

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|----|-------------------------|----|----------------------|
| 1. | Start North Harbour | 6. | AS Mark East Channel |
| 2. | AS Mark East Channel | 7. | AS Mark Manly West |
| 3. | AS Mark Obelisk Bay | 8. | AS Mark Manly East |
| 4. | AS Mark Rose Bay | 9. | Finish Watsons Bay |
| 5. | AS Mark Obelisk Bay (*) | | |

COURSE 19 — SOUTH (approx. 11.3 nm)

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|-------|----------------------|----|--------------------------|
| 1. | Start North Harbour | 5. | AS Mark East Channel (*) |
| 2. | AS Mark East Channel | 6. | AS Mark Manly West |
| 3.(x) | AS Mark Rose Bay | 7. | AS Mark Manly East |
| 4. | AS Mark Obelisk Bay | 8. | Finish Watsons Bay |

COURSE 20 — SOUTH WEST (approx. 12.0 nm)

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|----|--------------------------------|-----|--------------------------------|
| 1. | Start Spring Cove | 7. | AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 2. | AS Mark Edwards Beach | 8. | AS Mark Cannae Point (*) |
| 3. | AS Mark Cannae Point | 9. | MH Inflatable Grotto Point (P) |
| 4. | MH Inflatable Grotto Point (P) | 10. | MH Inflatable South Reef (P) |
| 5. | MH Inflatable South Reef (P) | 11. | MH Inflatable Manly Point (P) |
| 6. | MH Inflatable Manly Point (P) | 12. | Finish Hunters Bay |

COURSE 21 — SOUTH WEST (approx. 10.5 nm)

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|-------|--------------------------------|-------|-----------------------------------|
| 1. | Start Spring Cove | 7. | MH Inflatable Manly Point (P) (*) |
| 2. | AS Mark Edwards Beach | 8. | MH Inflatable Grotto Point (P) |
| 3. | AS Mark Manly West | 9.(x) | MH Inflatable South Reef (P) |
| 4. | AS Mark Manly East | 10. | MH Inflatable Manly Point (P) |
| 5. | MH Inflatable Grotto Point (P) | 11. | Finish Hunters Bay |
| 6.(x) | MH Inflatable South Reef (P) | | |

COURSE 22 — WEST (approx. 13.8 nm)

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|----|------------------------------------|-----|---------------------------------|
| 1. | Start Spring Cove / Cannae Point | 7. | MH Inflatable Edwards Beach (P) |
| 2. | MH Inflatable Edwards Beach (P) | 8. | MH Inflatable South Reef (P) |
| 3. | MH Inflatable South Reef (P) | 9. | MH Inflatable Cannae Point (P) |
| 4. | MH Inflatable Cannae Point (P) | 10. | MH Inflatable Edwards Beach (P) |
| 5. | MH Inflatable Edwards Beach (P) | 11. | MH Inflatable Cannae Point (P) |
| 6. | MH Inflatable Cannae Point (P) (*) | 12. | Finish Hunters Bay |

COURSE 23 — WEST (approx. 12.3 nm)

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|----|----------------------------------|-------|------------------------------------|
| 1. | Start Spring Cove / Cannae Point | 6. | MH Inflatable Cannae Point (P) (*) |
| 2. | MH Inflatable Edwards Beach (P) | 7.(x) | MH Inflatable Edwards Beach (P) |
| 3. | MH Inflatable South Reef (P) | 8.(x) | MH Inflatable Cannae Point (P) |
| 4. | MH Inflatable Cannae Point (P) | 9. | Finish Hunters Bay |
| 5. | MH Inflatable Edwards Beach (P) | | |

COURSE 24 — NORTH WEST (approx. 13.6 nm)

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|----|----------------------------|-----|-----------------------------|
| 1. | Start Camp Cove | 7. | MH Inflatable Grotto Point |
| 2. | MH Inflatable Grotto Point | 8. | AS Mark Eastern Channel (*) |
| 3. | AS Mark Eastern Channel | 9. | MH Inflatable Grotto Point |
| 4. | MH Inflatable Grotto Point | 10. | AS Mark Cannae Point |
| 5. | AS Mark Cannae Point | 11. | AS Mark Lady Bay |
| 6. | AS Mark Eastern Channel | 12. | Finish Hunters Bay |

COURSE 25 — NORTH WEST (approx. 13.3 nm)

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|----|-----------------------------|--------|----------------------------|
| 1. | Start Camp Cove | 7. | MH Inflatable Grotto Point |
| 2. | MH Inflatable Grotto Point | 8. | AS Mark Eastern Channel |
| 3. | AS Mark Eastern Channel | 9.(x) | MH Inflatable Grotto Point |
| 4. | MH Inflatable Grotto Point | 10.(x) | AS Mark Eastern Channel |
| 5. | AS Mark Cannae Point | 11. | Finish Hunters Bay |
| 6. | AS Mark Eastern Channel (*) | | |

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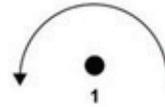
COURSE 26 — NORTH WEST (approx. 10.3 nm)

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|----|----------------------------|-----|----------------------------|
| 1. | Start Camp Cove | 6. | AS Mark Lady Bay (*) |
| 2. | MH Inflatable Grotto Point | 7. | MH Inflatable Grotto Point |
| 3. | AS Mark Cannae Point | 8. | AS Mark Cannae Point |
| 4. | AS Mark Lady Bay | 9. | AS Mark Lady Bay |
| 5. | MH Inflatable Grotto Point | 10. | Finish Hunters Bay |

COURSE 27 – WINDWARD LEEWARD

COURSE	COURSE DESCRIPTION (All marks to Port)
W1	Start – 1 – Finish
W2	Start – 1 – 2 – 1 – Finish
W3	Start – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 – 1 – Finish
W4	Start – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 – 1 – 2 – 1 – Finish

- 1) Mark 1 will be an orange or yellow inflatable buoy located approximately 0.6 to 1.2 nm to Windward of the Start/Finish Line.
- 2) Mark 2 will be an orange or yellow inflatable buoy located approximately 0.1 nm to Windward of the Start/Finish Line.
- 3) The Course to be sailed (W1, 2, 3 or 4) will be displayed prior to or with the Division Warning Signal.
- 4) The bearing to Mark 1 may be displayed prior to or with the Warning Signal.



LINE MARKING NEEDS?

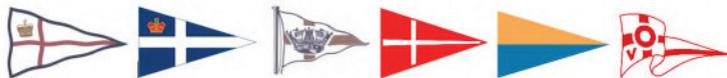
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Sydney Harbour Combined Clubs Inshore Series 2023-2024

SYDNEY HARBOUR COMBINED CLUBS INSHORE SERIES SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Please also refer to the Sydney Harbour Combined Clubs Series Notice of Race which is posted on the MHYC [Keelboat Racing Noticeboard](#).

Important Note: The Race Management Channel for the Combined Clubs Series is VHF 73.

The Organising Authority (OA) is the Middle Harbour Yacht Club (MHYC), Manly Yacht Club (MYC), Royal Australian Naval Sailing Association (RANSA), Royal Prince Edward Yacht Club (RPEYC), Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron (RSYS) and Vaucluse Yacht Club (VYC).

The race committee referred to in the notice of race and these sailing instructions will consist of one representative from each participating club.

The notation (NP) in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for infringing that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a). (DP) denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the protest committee.

1 RULES

- 1.1 Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RRS) as amended.
- 1.2 All boats shall have a current valid AS Special Regulations Category 7, or higher, Equipment Audit Form. Equipment Audit Forms will expire on 30 June immediately following the date of the audit unless an extension is granted by the OA. Random equipment audits may be made throughout the season. Any boat failing to comply with equipment requirements may be subject to protest by the race committee.
- 1.3 These sailing instructions take precedence for MHYC, MYC, RANSA, RPEYC, RSYS and VYC season point score races scheduled for 16 September, 21 October, 18 November, 9 December 2023, 20 January, 17 February and 16 March 2024.
- 1.4 In the event of conflict between any of the rules or regulations, other than RRS, the sailing instructions will prevail. This changes 63.7.

2 CHANGES TO THE SCHEDULE & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted by 1000hrs on the day of the race. Any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800hrs on the day before the race.

3 COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice boards located at MHYC, MYC, RANSA, RPEYCV, RSYS and VYC. Notices will also be available on each club's website.
- 3.2 The race committee intends to monitor VHF channel 73 and will use the radio to advise competitors of race information.

- 3.3 (DP) Boats which retire from a race before finishing are required to notify the race committee on VHF channel 73, or by phoning the conducting club. Contact numbers can be located in clause 19 of these sailing instructions.
- 3.4 (DP) No other transmissions are permitted by competing yachts during each racing day from the first warning signal until the end of the race except in an emergency.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at MHYC, MYC, RANSA, RPEYC, RSYS and VYC on the clubs' flag masts.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 The following races are scheduled:
- | Date | Race | Race Committee |
|------------------|--------|----------------|
| Sat 16 September | Race 1 | RSYS |
| Sat 21 October | Race 2 | RPEYC |
| Sat 18 November | Race 3 | MHYC/MYC |
| Sat 9 December | Race 4 | RSYS/VYC |
| Sat 20 January | Race 5 | RANSA |
| Sat 17 February | Race 6 | RSYS |
| Sat 16 March | Race 7 | MHYC |

6 START TIME & CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 The scheduled time of the warning signal for each division and the respective division flags are:
- | Scheduled Time | Division | Flag Displayed |
|----------------|------------------------|----------------|
| 1250 hrs | Division 1 | Q |
| 1255 hrs | Division 2 | K |
| 1300 hrs | Division 3 | R |
| 1305 hrs | Non-Spinnaker Division | F |
- 6.2 Boats intending to race are required to report to the committee vessel with their mainsails hoisted and on starboard tack before the first warning signal of the day and receive acknowledgement. Failure to observe this requirement may result in a boat being scored DNC.

7 RACING AREA

Racing shall be conducted on Sydney Harbour.

8 COURSES

- 8.1 Course descriptions are as described in Addendum 1.
- 8.2 The course to be sailed will be indicated by the appropriate numeral pennant.
- 8.3 Boats shall proceed to all marks of the course in the order listed and leave each mark on the required side.
- 8.4 All marks are to be passed to STARBOARD unless the mark is suffixed (P), which indicates the mark is to be passed to PORT.

9 SHORTENED COURSE

- 9.1 In the event of the course being shortened before the start, flag S will be displayed with the course signal with two sound signals. Boats are to proceed directly to the finish line after leaving the mark indicated by an asterisk (*) in the courses listed in Addendum 1.

- 9.2 In the event of the course being shortened after the start, the committee vessel will display flag S with two sound signals at a rounding mark in accordance with RRS 32.

10 MARKS

- 10.1 Mark descriptions as per Addendum 2.

11 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

11.1 (NP) (DP) The following areas are prohibited and deemed to be continuing obstructions. Boats infringing this instruction may be subject to protest:

- (a) Other Starting and Finishing Lines – the starting or finishing lines of another division or another club's race.
- (b) Cardinal Marks – the areas bounded by cardinal marks.
- (c) Moorings – mooring areas. Naval and shipping moorings are excluded from this clause.
- (d) Shark Island – the areas between the AS Shark Island Mark (SM) and Shark Island or between Shark Island and the Shark Island Light (north of Shark Island)
- (e) Garden Island and Chowder Bay – the areas within the yellow markers in the vicinity of Garden Island or near the naval wharf in Chowder Bay.

12 THE START

- 12.1 The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the committee vessel and the course side of an orange or red inflatable buoy marked with MHYC, MYC, RANSA, RPEYC, RSYS or VYC. The committee vessel will be identified by the burgee of the conducting club.

13 RECALLS

- 13.1 To assist competitors, the race committee may advise individual and general recalls over VHF 73 This changes RRS 29.1 and 29.2.
- 13.2 Any error or omission in the advice referred to in clause 13.1 above will not be grounds for protest or redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

14 THE FINISH

- 14.1 The finish line will be between the staff displaying a blue flag on the committee vessel at the starboard end of the line and the course side of an orange or red inflatable buoy marked with MHYC, MYC, RANSA, RPEYC, RSYS or VYC.

15 TIME LIMIT

- 15.1 The absolute time limit will be 1730 hours.
- 15.2 If one boat finishes within the time limit, all boats that have started and not finished by the time limit will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 Protests are to be lodged in accordance with RRS 61 and requests for redress in accordance with RRS 62 as amended by 16.2, 16.3 and 16.4 below.
- 16.2 Protests and requests for redress shall be lodged in writing in person or by electronic means with the conducting club of the day.
- 16.3 The time limit for the lodging of protests or requests for redress involving an incident in the racing area will be 1000 hours on the first working day after the event. This changes RRS 61 and 62.

- 16.4 Protests and requests for redress will be heard at the clubhouse of the duty or conducting club on the following Wednesday unless otherwise decided by the Combined Clubs' race committee. The hearing time will be advised to the parties involved.

17 NSW ROADS and MARITIME SERVICES REGULATIONS

- 17.1 (NP) Boats shall not interfere with the Commercial or Defence shipping of the Port. The attention of skippers is drawn to NSW Roads and Maritime Services (NSW RMS) regulations regarding the right of way of vessels entering or leaving port, ferries displaying orange diamonds and vessels engaged in towing. NSW RMS regulations specify "Priority over Sail – some Commercial Ferries on Sydney Harbour display an orange diamond shape which grants priority of way over sailing vessels. Do not attempt to cross the path of an approaching ferry displaying this signal. Boats found to have interfered with commercial shipping may be subject to action by the race committee in accordance with RRS 60.2.
- 17.2 (NP) All boats must abide by traffic directions of NSW RMS Boating Service Officers and NSW Port Authority. Any boat directed to stop or alter course by NSW RMS Boating Service Officers as a result of an anticipated breach of the above rules, incident/collision or complaint shall do so immediately.
- 17.3 (NP) Any boats reported by NSW RMS as having contravened NSW RMS regulations shall be disqualified without a hearing. This amends RRS 63.1. Any alleged infringement of this clause shall not be grounds for protest by another competitor.
- 17.4 Competitors are required to notify the duty club (MHYC, MYC, RANSA, RPEYC, RSYS and VYC) of any contact incident occurring during racing whether or not it results in a race protest or a report to NSW RMS. MHYC, MYC, RANSA, RPEYC, RSYS and VYC are obliged under the terms of their Exemption Orders to prepare a report of all contact incidents occurring during racing whether or not injury or an insurance claim results.

18 RESPONSIBILITIES

- 18.1 The attention of competitors is drawn to the responsibilities of owners and skippers as detailed in the Notice of Race clauses 15.1 - Risk Warning, 15.2 - Competitors Declaration, 15.3 - Disclaimer of Liability and 16.1 - Safety Requirements.

19 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact:

- MHYC email: sailing@mhyc.com.au or telephone: (02) 9969 1244
- MYC email: sailing@myc.com.au or telephone: (02) 9977 4949
- RANSA email: sailing@ransa.com.au or telephone: (02) 9363 9939
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- RPEYC email: sailing@rpeyc.com.au or telephone (02) 9363 5809
- VYC email: vaucloseyachtclub@gmail.com or telephone (02) 9337 5775

Sydney Harbour Combined Clubs' Inshore Series 2023-2024

Addendum 1 - Courses

Course 1 – North-East													
Division	Start Area											Finish Area	Length (nm)
Div 1	Between E and W Channels	MW	ME	*N3	MW	ME	PP					Between E and W Channels	15.5
Div 2		CP	*PP	CP	PP								13
Div 3 & Non-spin		LB	PP	NP	*PP	EC	PP						9.5
Course 2 – East													
Division	Start Area											Finish Area	Length (nm)
Div 1	Vicinity Athol Bay	SM	KP	SM	PP	*CBS	LB	KP	SM	CBS		Between E and W Channels	14.0
Div 2		SM	KP	SM	PP	*CBS	SM	KP	SM	PP	CBS		12.5
Div 3 & Non-spin		SM	N2	SM	PP	*CBS	EC	SM	CBS				9.5
Course 3 – South-East													
Division	Start Area											Finish Area	Length (nm)
Div 1	Taylors Bay	RB	KP	SM	PP	OB	RB	*KP	SM	PP	TB	Rose Bay	15.5
Div 2		RB	KP	SM	PP	TB	RB	*KP	SM	PP	TB		13.0
Div 3 & Non-spin		RB	KP	RB	SM	*CBS	SM	TB					10
Course 4 – South and South-West													
Division	Start Area											Finish Area	Length (nm)
Div1	Between E and W Channels	PP	CP	PP	*OB	PP	OB					Rose Bay	15.5
Div 2		SM	OB	SM	CBS	PP	*CBS	SM	OB				12.5
Div 3		SM	CBN	PP	*CBS	SM	OB						10.5
Course 5 – West													
Division	Start Area											Finish Area	Length (nm)
Div 1	West of Shark Island	KP	EC	SM	KP	*SM	KP	EC	SM			North of Clark Island	15.0
Div 2		KP	NP	SM	KP	*SM	KP	SM					12.5
Div 3 & Non-spin		KP	NP	SM	N3	*SM	KP	SM					10.5
Course 6 – North and North-West													
Division	Start Area											Finish Area	Length (nm)
Div 1	Between E and W Channels	OB	EC	PP	OB	*RB	OB	PP	OB	SM		Between E and W Channels	15.0
Div 2		OB	EC	SM	OB	*RB	CBS	PP	OB	SM			13.5
Div 3 & Non-spin		OB	EC	SM	OB	*PP	CBS	SM					9.5

NB: The Start and Finish areas described above as 'Between E and W Channels' will be in the area west of Watsons Bay.

The following descriptions of marks and buoys are to be read in conjunction with the Combined Clubs' Inshore series sailing instructions and the Chartlet set out in Addendum 2:

CBN	Chowder Bay North Mark- AS buoy approximately 200m south-west of Georges Head
CBS	Chowder Bay South Mark - AS buoy off southern shore of Chowder Bay (the southern buoy of the two AS buoys in Chowder Bay)
CP	Cannae Point - AS buoy west of Cannae Point (Flagstaff)
EC	Eastern Channel Mark - the southern buoy of the two AS buoys west of Watsons Bay
KP	Kirribilli Point Mark – Orange inflatable mark laid east of Kirribilli Point
LB	Lady Bay Mark - AS buoy off northern end of Lady Bay
ME	Manly East Mark - Easternmost AS buoy in Manly Cove
MW	Manly West Mark - AS buoy, 400m south-south-west of Manly Wharf
N2	Naval Buoy No. 2 - Approximately 250m north-west of Clarke Island
N3	Naval Buoy No. 3 - Approximately 200m north of Clarke Island
NP	Nielsen Park Mark - AS buoy north of Steele Point
OB	Obelisk Bay Mark - AS buoy east of Obelisk Beach
PP	Point Piper Mark - AS buoy north of Point Piper
RB	Rose Bay East Mark - AS buoy in Rose Bay approximately 200m off the eastern shore of Rose Bay in front of the convent
SM	Shark Mark - AS buoy approx. 30m south-east of the Shark Island south cardinal mark. Boats shall not sail between SM and the south cardinal mark in either direction.
SP	Sow & Pigs (Beashel Buoy) - AS buoy, south-west of Sow and Pigs
TB	Taylors Bay Mark - AS buoy in Taylors Bay

NOTES:

Cardinal Marks – A boat shall not sail within the areas bounded by Cardinal Marks. These areas are prohibited and deemed to be continuing obstructions.

AS Buoys – Australian Sailing buoys referred to in these Sailing Instructions will be yellow cylindrical or spar shaped buoys and may be replaced with a different mark without warning.

SYDNEY HARBOUR **SPRINT SERIES 23/24**

SYDNEY HARBOUR SPRINT SERIES SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Please also refer to the Sydney Harbour Sprint Series Notice of Race which is posted on the MHYC [Keelboat Racing Noticeboard](#).

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the NoR or Sailing Instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (Special Regulations) as amended. All boats shall have a valid Australian Sailing (AS) Special Regulations Category 7 (or higher)
- 1.2 Equipment Audit. Any boat failing to comply with equipment requirements may be subject to protest by the race committee.
- 1.3 RRS 51 is amended so that boats with movable or variable ballast (within the meaning of those terms in the Special Regulations) may move that ballast for the purpose of changing trim or stability.
- 1.4 RRS 52 is amended so that electric winches and canting keels may be adjusted using the boat's electrical system.
- 1.5 In the event of conflict between any of the rules or regulations, other than RRS, the sailing instructions will prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the [official notice board](#) online.
- 2.2 Competitors may be advised of the intended race area via email or text.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the [official notice board](#) before 0900hrs on the day it will take effect, except that any change on the water will be announced on the VHF race management channel after display of Code Flag L with one sound.
- 3.2 Competitors may be advised of a change to the sailing instructions via email or text.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the start box flagstaff on the north-eastern corner of MHYC and may be repeated at other clubs.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.
- 4.3 Competitors may be advised of a postponement via email or text.

5 SCHEDULE

5.1 Sydney Harbour Sprint Series – Spring 2023

- Saturday 14 October (3 races)
- Saturday 11 November (3 races)
- Saturday 2 December (3 races)

5.2 Sydney Harbour Sprint Series – Winter 2024

- Saturday 25 May (3 races)
- Saturday 22 June (3 races)
- Saturday 27 July (3 races)

- 5.3 A maximum of 9 races may be sailed in each series.
- 5.4 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 1155hrs each day.
- 5.5 No warning signal will be made after 1600hrs.

6 CLASS FLAGS

The Class flag will be as follows:

Division 1 – Code Flag Delta (D)

Division 2 – Code Flag Echo (E)

Division 3 – Code Flag Foxtrot (F)

7 RACING AREAS

Attachment A shows the location of windward-leeward racing areas.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The diagram and tables in Attachment B show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the course to be sailed will be displayed on a Course Board on the CV, preceded by the letter 'W', to indicate the number of roundings of the Windward Mark/s.
- 8.3 The race committee may display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
- 8.4 The Gate will be laid approx. 50-100m to windward of the Start Line.
- 8.5 In the event that either Gate Mark (2S or 2P) is not in place, boats shall round the sole leeward mark to port.
- 8.6 If an offset mark is laid adjacent to Mark 1, 1A or 1B, boats shall round the designated windward mark and the adjacent offset mark to port.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 Marks are described in Attachment B.

10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

- 10.1 Boats shall pass on the safe water side of the following Cardinal Marks:
 - (a) Gowlland Bombora (Dobroyd Head) – All Marks
 - (b) Sow and Pigs Reef– All Marks
 - (c) Shark Island– South and West Marks
- 10.2 Boats shall not sail in the following prohibited areas:
 - (a) The area bounded by imaginary lines projected from the shore joining the West, South and East Cardinal Marks surrounding Gowlland Bombora.
 - (b) The area bounded by imaginary lines joining the North, East, South and West Cardinal Marks surrounding Sow and Pigs Reef.
- 10.3 For the purpose of RRS 19 and 20, all Cardinal Marks surrounding the Gowlland Bombora and the Sow and Pigs Reef and all imaginary straight lines projected between such marks, are deemed obstructions.

11 THE START

- 11.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made no less than 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 11.3 A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.
- 12.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.1.

13 THE FINISH

- 13.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the committee boat and the course side of the finishing mark.

13.2 When a finish mark with a black & white chequered band is laid on the starboard side of the race committee vessel, boats shall finish by passing the committee vessel to starboard and the B&W finish mark to port.

13.3 When a finish mark with a black & white chequered band is not laid on the starboard side of the race committee vessel, boats shall finish by passing the committee vessel to port and the yellow start mark to starboard.

14 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

14.1	Race Time Limit	60 mins
	Windward Mark (1 / 1A / 1B) Time Limit	20 mins
	Target Time	30-40 mins
	Finish Window	10 mins

14.2 If no boat has passed the Windward Mark within the Windward Mark time limit, the race will be abandoned for that division. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

14.3 Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat in that division sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

15.1 Protest forms and requests for redress shall be delivered to the MHYC Sailing Office or via email to sailing@mhyc.com.au within the appropriate time limit.

15.2 The protest time limit is 120 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

15.3 Notices will be posted no later than 120 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at MHYC unless the Protest Committee directs otherwise.

15.4 Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

15.5 Breaches of SIs 14 and 17 - 22 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

16 SCORING

16.1 RRS Appendix A5.3 will apply.

16.2 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

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

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

17.1 Boats intending to race shall report to the committee vessel prior to their first warning signal, on starboard tack, with mainsail hoisted, to confirm their intention to race. Boats that cannot be identified may be scored 'DNC'. [DP]

17.2 Boats that cannot be identified may be scored 'DNC'. [DP]

17.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. (DP)

17.4 All boats shall monitor the race management channel VHF 72. [DP]

18 EVENT ADVERTISING

Refer NOR 8.

19 RUBBISH DISPOSAL

Competitors shall not dispose rubbish into the water. Rubbish may be placed aboard support or official boats.

20 PRIZES

Refer NOR 14.

21 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Refer NOR 15.

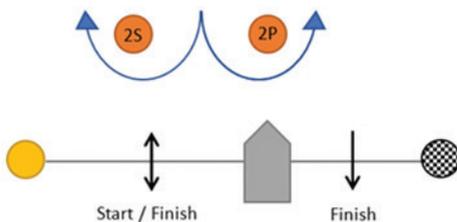
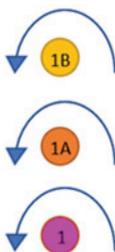
22 INSURANCE

Refer NOR 16.

Attachment A – Approximate Windward-Leeward Race Areas



Attachment B – Windward Leeward Courses



COURSE MARKS	MARK DESCRIPTIONS
Start & Finish Mark	Yellow Inflatable Buoy
Alternative Finish Mark (if laid)	Inflatable Buoy with Black & White Chequered Band
Division 3 Windward Mark - Mark 1	Pink Inflatable Buoy
Division 2 Windward Mark - Mark 1A	Orange Inflatable Buoy
Division 1 Windward Mark - Mark 1B	Yellow Inflatable Buoy
Offset Marks (if laid)	Orange Buoys
Gates 2S & 2P	Orange Inflatable Buoys

COURSE SIGNAL	COURSE
W1	Start – 1 or 1A or 1B – Finish
W2	Start – 1 or 1A or 1B – Gate (2P/2S) – 1 or 1A or 1B – Finish
W3	Start – 1 or 1A or 1B – Gate (2P/2S) – 1 or 1A or 1B – Gate (2P/2S) – 1 or 1A or 1B – Finish



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PACIFIC RIGGING WEDNESDAY NON-SPINNAKER SERIES

Category 7 / Pursuit Results / Divisions as Required

SCHEDULE OF RACES

SERIES 1			
<i>RACE</i>	<i>DATE</i>	<i>RACE FORMAT</i>	<i>'COUNT UP' START TIME</i>
1	Wednesday, 6 September 2023	Inshore Pursuit Race	1300
2	Wednesday, 13 September 2023	Inshore Pursuit Race	1300
3	Wednesday, 20 September 2023	Inshore Pursuit Race	1300
4	Wednesday, 27 September 2023	Inshore Pursuit Race	1300
5	Wednesday, 4 October 2023	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330
6	Wednesday, 11 October 2023	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330
7	Wednesday, 18 October 2023	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330
8	Wednesday, 25 October 2023	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330
9	Wednesday, 1 November 2023	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330
10	Wednesday, 8 November 2023	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330
11	Wednesday, 15 November 2023	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330
12	Wednesday, 22 November 2023	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330
13	Wednesday, 29 November 2023	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330
SERIES 2			
<i>RACE</i>	<i>DATE</i>	<i>RACE FORMAT</i>	<i>'COUNT UP' START TIME</i>
1	Wednesday, 6 December 2023	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330
2	Wednesday, 13 December 2023	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330
3	Wednesday, 20 December 2023	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330
4	Wednesday, 3 January 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330
5	Wednesday, 10 January 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330
6	Wednesday, 17 January 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330
7	Wednesday, 24 January 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330
8	Wednesday, 31 January 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330
9	Wednesday, 7 February 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330
10	Wednesday, 14 February 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330
11	Wednesday, 21 February 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330
12	Wednesday, 28 February 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330

PACIFIC RIGGING WEDNESDAY NON-SPINNAKER SERIES

Category 7 / Pursuit Results / Divisions as Required

SCHEDULE OF RACES

SERIES 3			
<i>RACE</i>	<i>DATE</i>	<i>RACE FORMAT</i>	<i>'COUNT UP' START TIME</i>
1	Wednesday, 6 March 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330
2	Wednesday, 13 March 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330
3	Wednesday, 20 March 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330
4	Wednesday, 27 March 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330
5	Wednesday, 3 April 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1330
6	Wednesday, 10 April 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1300
7	Wednesday, 17 April 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1300
8	Wednesday, 24 April 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1300
9	Wednesday, 1 May 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1300
10	Wednesday, 8 May 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1300
11	Wednesday, 15 May 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1300
12	Wednesday, 22 May 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1300
13	Wednesday, 29 May 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1300
SERIES 4			
<i>RACE</i>	<i>DATE</i>	<i>RACE FORMAT</i>	<i>'COUNT UP' START TIME</i>
1	Wednesday, 5 June 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1300
2	Wednesday, 12 June 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1300
3	Wednesday, 19 June 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1300
4	Wednesday, 26 June 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1300
5	Wednesday, 3 July 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1300
6	Wednesday, 10 July 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1300
7	Wednesday, 17 July 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1300
8	Wednesday, 24 July 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1300
9	Wednesday, 31 July 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1300
10	Wednesday, 7 August 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1300
11	Wednesday, 14 August 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1300
12	Wednesday, 21 August 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1300
13	Wednesday, 28 August 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1300

PACIFIC RIGGING WEDNESDAY NON-SPINNAKER SERIES

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

The MHYC Sailing Committee requests that MHYC boats diligently observe the applicable Marine Regulations, Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions during Wednesday racing. In particular, the Person in Charge must ensure that a proper lookout is maintained throughout the event and that they avoid ferries, commercial shipping and recreational boating traffic.

The Race Committee may deploy an on-water observer to monitor the behaviour of boats. Boats breaching the rules 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 under sail and packing up) are required to give way to non-racing vessels using the channel. It is recommended that as a boat approaches the clubhouse finish line, a crew member be sent to the bow as lookout.

1 RULES

- 1.1 Refer to NOR 1 and 2.
- 1.2 Any boat under sail that breaches imaginary lines which define the swing mooring boundaries to the North and South of the Spit Channel, such channel being the area of clear water bounded by the Pumphouses, Clontarf Point and the Spit Bridge, may be disqualified from competition. This rule shall apply from 1230 to 1730 hours on each race day.
- 1.3 For the purpose of RRS 19 & 20, the imaginary lines which define the swing mooring boundaries to the North and South of the Spit Channel shall be deemed obstructions.
- 1.4 No boat shall enter the area bound by imaginary lines which define the swing mooring boundaries to the North and South of the Spit Channel after her Preparatory Signal. Boats leaving their moorings or the Club's Marina under motor are exempted from this regulation, however skippers are requested to move clear of the moorings at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 1.5 Boats shall use only a mainsail and one headsail at any time. The headsail may be poled out but shall be fully hanked or attached by means of a luff groove device to the permanent forestay. Headsails shall not be set flying. No sail shall be attached forward of the point of attachment of the permanent forestay.

2 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 2.1 Racing is scheduled as per the schedule of races for each Wednesday Series (1, 2, 3 & 4).

3 CLASS FLAGS & DIVISIONS

- 3.1 Entrants may be allocated to the following racing divisions appropriate to their performance and series entry numbers:

DIVISION	CODE FLAG
Division 1	Code Flag 'D'
Division 2	Code Flag 'E'

- 3.2 Divisional parameters may be varied at the discretion of the race committee.
- 3.3 Divisions may be formed or abandoned at the discretion of the race committee for each scheduled series.

4 THE COURSES

- 4.1 As per the Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Course Descriptions which follow.
- 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' prior to the start shall mean the course is shortened and after rounding the mark indicated by (*) all boats should proceed directly to the finish.
- 4.2 Courses may be shortened in accordance with RRS 32.

5 THE START

- 5.1 The attention signal and start signal shall be made as follows:

OUTSIDE OF DAYLIGHT SAVING		DURING DAYLIGHT SAVING	
1250	Attention signal and course number displayed	1320	Attention signal and course number displayed
1300	Start signal and handicap count-up clock started	1330	Start signal and handicap count-up clock started

- 5.2 The start line will be the Clubhouse Start in accordance to MHYC NOR 16.
- 5.3 The start shall be a count-up start in accordance to NOR 22.
- 5.4 A boat identified by the RC as having entered the prohibited area described in SI 1.4 shall have a penalty of 5 minutes added to her finishing time. This amends RRS 63.1.
- 5.5 There will be no individual recall signals. A boat on the course side of the starting line for her designated start time will be penalised 5 minutes plus the difference between her nominated start time and actual start time unless she returns and restarts. This amends RRS 29 and 63.1.

6 THE FINISH

- 6.1 The finish line will be the Clubhouse finish line in accordance to MHYC NOR 17.
- 6.2 If a Committee Vessel displaying Code Flag "S" is stationed to the West or South of Grotto Point Lighthouse, AS Mark Edwards Beach shall be omitted (if applicable) and boats shall finish between the Committee Vessel and Grotto Point Lighthouse.

7 HANDICAPS

- 7.1 Starting handicap numbers will be allocated at the discretion of the Sailing Manager or their nominee and adjusted for subsequent races based on PHS calculation.
- 7.2 The Sailing Manager or their nominee may at their absolute discretion review any boat's 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.
- 7.3 Allocated handicaps shall not be the subject of protest or dispute. This amends RRS 60.1 & 62.
- 7.4 Handicaps are published on the day of racing on the MHYC website and noticeboard.

8 TIME LIMIT

- 8.1 The time limit will be 1630 hours, or 1700 hours during daylight saving. Only those boats that have crossed the finishing line within the time limit shall rank as finishers. This amends RRS 35.
- 8.2 Boats not finishing within the time limited will be scored DNF. This amends RRS 35.
- 8.3 Competitors who retire from the race, or who will not finish within the time limit are required to advise the RC on VHF Ch72 or the MHYC Sailing Office either in person or by telephone on 02 9969 1244.
- 8.4 Competitors who fail to notify the RC of their retirement will receive a penalty of 5 minutes added to their starting number handicap in the following race. This amends RRS 63.1.
- 8.5 The time limit for notifying the RC shall be no later than 30 minutes after the time limit of the race.

9 PROTESTS

- 9.1 Protests shall be in accordance with MHYC NOR 24.
- 9.2 The Protest Limit Time Limit will be 30 minutes after the finishing time for the last boat. This amends NOR 24.2.

10 SCORING

- 10.1 The Low Point System, Appendix A of the RRS shall apply.
- 10.2 RRS A5.3 applies except that the score of DNC for boats which did not come to the starting area is scored the number of starters plus 2.
- 10.3 Seven (7) races are required to be completed to constitute a series. One (1) excluded score will apply after every five (5) completed races, up to a maximum of two (2) excluded scores. The number of scheduled races for each series is as follows:
 - Series 1 13 Races
 - Series 2 12 Races
 - Series 3 13 Races
 - Series 4 13 Races
- 10.4 Abandoned races will not be re-sailed.
- 10.5 A casual race entrant will not receive a series score. This amends RRS A2.2.
- 10.6 A boat's points shall not be transferred with a change of ownership or division.

11 PRIZES

- 11.1 Prizes may be awarded at a post-race presentation. Prizes not collected at that time shall be forfeited.
- 11.2 Additional prizes may be awarded.

NOTICE TO COMPETITORS – BBQ & RAFFLE

Each week, the first boat across the line from either division shall be responsible for the post-race barbecue. The first boat across the line in the other division shall be responsible for selling the post-race raffle tickets. Where a boat cannot be present for their duty, responsibility will fall to the next placed boat.



PACIFIC RIGGING WEDNESDAY NON-SPINNAKER SERIES
DIVISION 1 COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**COURSE NOTES:**

- 1) All marks are to be rounded or passed to STARBOARD except those suffixed with the letter (P) which shall be rounded or passed to PORT.
- 2) For shortened course mark (*) refer to SI 4.2 & 4.3.

Course 1 (9.3 nm / 8.6 nm)

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|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Start MHYC | 5. AS Mark Nielsen Park (*) |
| 2. AS Manly Mark West | 6. AS Mark Chowder Bay South |
| 3. AS Manly Mark East | 7. Sow and Pigs Reef (P) |
| 4. AS Mark Lady Bay | 8. Finish MHYC |

Course 2 (10.1 nm / 7.5 nm)

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|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Start MHYC | 6. AS Mark Manly West |
| 2. AS Mark Manly West | 7. AS Mark Manly East |
| 3. AS Mark Manly East | 8. AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 4. AS Cannae Point | 9. Finish MHYC |
| 5. AS Mark Eastern Channel (*) | |

Course 3 (10.1 nm / 9.3 nm)

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| 1. Start MHYC | 4. Clarke Island |
| 2. AS Cannae Point | 5. Finish MHYC |
| 3. AS Point Piper (*) | |

Course 4 (10.6 nm / 8.7 nm)

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|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Start MHYC | 6. AS Grotto Point |
| 2. AS Eastern Channel | 7. AS Lady Bay (*) |
| 3. AS Obelisk Bay | 8. AS Eastern Channel |
| 4. AS Rocky Point | 9. AS Chowder Bay South |
| 5. AS Edwards Beach | 10. Finish MHYC |

Course 5 (11.1 nm / 8.2nm)

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|------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Start MHYC | 6. Sow and Pigs Reef (P) |
| 2. AS Mark Rose Bay | 7. AS Mark Grotto Point |
| 3. AS Shark Island | 8. AS Mark Lady Bay |
| 4. Shark Island (*) | 9. Finish MHYC |
| 5. AS Mark Point Piper | |

Course 6 (11.3 nm / 7.1 nm)

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|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Start MHYC | 6. Sow and Pigs Reef (P) (*) |
| 2. AS Mark Lady Bay | 7. AS Mark Manly West |
| 3. AS Mark Eastern Channel | 8. AS Mark Manly East |
| 4. AS Mark Nielson Park | 9. AS Mark Lady Bay |
| 5. AS Mark Chowder Bay South | 10. Finish MHYC |

PACIFIC RIGGING WEDNESDAY NON-SPINNAKER SERIES
DIVISION 1 COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**Course 7 (11.6 nm / 9.0 nm)**

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| 1. | Start MHYC | 5. | AS Mark Manly West |
| 2. | AS Mark Shark Island | 6. | AS Mark Manly East |
| 3. | Shark Island | 7. | AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 4. | Clarke Island (*) | 8. | Finish MHYC |

Course 8 (12.6 nm / 9.4 nm)

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|----|-------------------|----|----------------------|
| 1. | Start MHYC | 6. | AS Rose Bay |
| 2. | AS Mark Rose Bay | 7. | AS Mark Shark Island |
| 3. | Clarke Island (*) | 8. | Shark Island |
| 4. | Fort Denison (P) | 9. | Finish MHYC |
| 5. | Shark Island | | |

Course 9 (13.7 nm / 9.7 nm)

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|----|-----------------------|-----|-----------------------|
| 1. | Start MHYC | 8. | AS Mark Lady Bay (*) |
| 2. | AS Mark Lady Bay | 9. | AS Mark Rocky Point |
| 3. | AS Mark Rocky Point | 10. | AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 4. | AS Mark Edwards Beach | 11. | AS Mark Manly West |
| 5. | AS Mark Manly West | 12. | AS Mark Manly East |
| 6. | AS Mark Manly East | 13. | AS Mark Cannae Point |
| 7. | AS Mark Cannae Point | 14. | Finish MHYC |

Course 10 (14.4 nm / 12.0 nm)

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| 1. | Start MHYC | 7. | AS Taylor Bay |
| 2. | AS Mark Rose Bay | 8. | AS Mark Rose Bay |
| 3. | AS Mark Obelisk Bay | 9. | AS Shark Island |
| 4. | AS Mark Shark Island | 10. | Shark Island |
| 5. | Shark Island | 11. | Finish MHYC |
| 6. | AS Mark Point Piper (*) | | |

Course 11 (15.0 nm / 13.3 nm)

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|----|--------------------|----|------------------------|
| 1. | Start MHYC | 6. | AS Mark Manly East (*) |
| 2. | AS Mark Manly West | 7. | AS Mark Cannae Point |
| 3. | AS Mark Manly East | 8. | AS Mark Lady Bay |
| 4. | Clarke Island | 9. | Finish MHYC |
| 5. | AS Mark Manly West | | |

Course 12 (16.1 nm / 11.8 nm)

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|----|--------------------|-----|-----------------------|
| 1. | Start MHYC | 7. | AS Mark Manly West |
| 2. | AS Mark Manly West | 8. | AS Mark Manly East |
| 3. | AS Mark Manly East | 9. | AS Mark Cannae Point |
| 4. | AS Mark Rose Bay | 10. | AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 5. | Clark Island (*) | 11. | Finish MHYC |
| 6. | Fort Denison (P) | | |

PACIFIC RIGGING WEDNESDAY NON-SPINNAKER SERIES**DIVISION 2 COURSE DESCRIPTIONS****COURSE NOTES:**

- 1) All marks are to be rounded or passed to STARBOARD except those suffixed with the letter (P) which shall be rounded or passed to PORT.
- 2) For shortened course mark (*) refer to SI 4.2 & 4.3.

Course 1 (8.6 nm / 6.5 nm)

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

Course 2 (8.9 nm / 6.3 nm)

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

Course 3 (8.8 nm / 8.0 nm)

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| 1. Start MHYC | 3. Clarke Island |
| 2. AS Point Piper (*) | 4. Finish MHYC |

Course 4 (8.7 nm / 5.5 nm)

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|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Start MHYC | 5. AS Edwards Beach (*) |
| 2. AS Eastern Channel | 6. AS Grotto Point |
| 3. AS Obelisk Bay | 7. AS Lady Bay |
| 4. AS Rocky Point | 8. Finish MHYC |

Course 5 (10.6 nm / 7.7 nm)

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|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Start MHYC | 6. Sow and Pigs Reef (P) |
| 2. AS Mark Rose Bay (*) | 7. AS Mark Grotto Point |
| 3. AS Shark Island | 8. AS Mark Lady Bay |
| 4. Shark Island | 9. Finish MHYC |

Course 6 (10.8 nm / 6.6 nm)

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|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Start MHYC | 6. AS Mark Manly West |
| 2. AS Mark Lady Bay | 7. AS Mark Manly East |
| 3. AS Mark Eastern Channel | 8. AS Mark Lady Bay |
| 4. AS Mark Chowder Bay South | 9. Finish MHYC |
| 5. Sow and Pigs Reef (P) (*) | |

PACIFIC RIGGING WEDNESDAY NON-SPINNAKER SERIES
DIVISION 2 COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**Course 7 (10.2 nm / 7.6 nm)**

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|----|----------------------|----|-----------------------|
| 1. | Start MHYC | 5. | AS Mark Manly East |
| 2. | AS Mark Shark Island | 6. | AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 3. | Shark Island (*) | 7. | Finish MHYC |
| 4. | AS Mark Manly West | | |

Course 8 (11.1 nm / 7.7 nm)

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|----|----------------------|----|----------------------|
| 1. | Start MHYC | 6. | AS Rose Bay |
| 2. | AS Mark Rose Bay (*) | 7. | AS Mark Shark Island |
| 3. | Clarke Island | 8. | Shark Island |
| 5. | Shark Island | 9. | Finish MHYC |

Course 9 (12.6 nm / 8.1 nm)

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|----|------------------------|-----|-----------------------|
| 1. | Start MHYC | 7. | AS Mark Cannae Point |
| 2. | AS Mark Lady Bay | 8. | AS Mark Lady Bay |
| 3. | AS Mark Rocky Point | 9. | AS Mark Rocky Point |
| 4. | AS Mark Edwards Beach | 10. | AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 5. | AS Mark Manly West | 11. | AS Mark Cannae Point |
| 6. | AS Mark Manly East (*) | 12. | Finish MHYC |

Course 10 (13.4 nm / 11.5 nm)

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|----|----------------------|-----|------------------|
| 1. | Start MHYC | 7. | Shark Island |
| 2. | AS Mark Rose Bay | 8. | AS Mark Rose Bay |
| 3. | AS Mark Obelisk Bay | 9. | AS Shark Island |
| 4. | AS Mark Shark Island | 10. | Shark Island |
| 5. | Shark Island (*) | 11. | Finish MHYC |
| 6. | AS Mark Point Piper | | |

Course 11 (13.7 / 7.1 nm)

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

Course 12 (13.4 nm / 10.0 nm)

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|----|----------------------|----|-----------------------|
| 1. | Start MHYC | 5. | Clark Island |
| 2. | AS Mark Manly West | 6. | Fort Denison (P) |
| 3. | AS Mark Manly East | 7. | AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 4. | AS Mark Rose Bay (*) | 8. | Finish MHYC |



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Flagstaff Marine Thursday Twilight Series

Warm-Up September 28 / Pointscore starts October 5

FLAGSTAFF MARINE THURSDAY TWILIGHT NON-SPINNAKER SERIES

Category 7 / Pursuit Results / Divisions as Required

SCHEDULE OF RACES

RACE	DATE	START TIME
TWILIGHT WARM-UP NON-POINTSORE		
1	Thursday, 28 September 2023	1700
PRE-CHRISTMAS TWILIGHT POINTSCORE		
2	Thursday, 5 October 2023	1800
3	Thursday, 12 October 2023 *	1800
4	Thursday, 19 October 2023	1800
5	Thursday, 26 October 2023	1800
6	Thursday, 2 November 2023	1800
7	Thursday, 9 November 2023	1800
8	Thursday, 16 November 2023 *	1800
9	Thursday, 23 November 2023	1800
10	Thursday, 30 November 2023	1800
11	Thursday, 7 December 2023	1800
12	Thursday, 14 December 2023 *	1800
POST-CHRISTMAS TWILIGHT POINTSCORE		
13	Thursday, 4 January 2024	1800
14	Thursday, 11 January 2024 *	1800
15	Thursday, 18 January 2024	1800
16	Thursday, 25 January 2024	1800
17	Thursday, 1 February 2024 *	1800
18	Thursday, 8 February 2024	1800
19	Thursday, 15 February 2024	1800
20	Thursday, 22 February 2024	1800
21	Thursday, 29 February 2024	1800
22	Thursday, 7 March 2024 *	1800
23	Thursday, 14 March 2024	1800
24	Thursday, 21 March 2024	1800
25	Thursday, 28 March 2024	1800
26	Thursday, 4 April 2024	1800

SMITHY'S WATERPROOFING THURSDAY WOMEN'S TWILIGHT SERIES

Category 7 / Pursuit Start / PHS Results / Divisions as Required

SCHEDULE OF RACES

* WOMEN'S TWILIGHT POINTSCORE		
1	Thursday, 12 October 2023	1800
2	Thursday, 16 November	1800
3	Thursday, 14 December 2023	1800
4	Thursday, 11 January 2024	1800
5	Thursday, 1 February 2024	1800
6	Thursday, 7 March 2024	1800

FLAGSTAFF MARINE THURSDAY TWILIGHT NON-SPINNAKER SERIES**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS****IMPORTANT NOTICE TO COMPETITORS**

The MHYC Sailing Committee requests that MHYC boats diligently observe the applicable Marine Regulations, 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 they avoid ferries, commercial shipping and recreational boating traffic.

The Race Committee may deploy an on-water observer to monitor the behaviour of boats. Boats breaching the rules 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 under sail and packing up) are required to give way to non-racing vessels using the channel. It is recommended that as a boat approaches the clubhouse 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 when starting and finishing.
- 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 one headsail may be used at any time. The headsail may be poled out but shall be fully hanked or attached by means of a luff groove device to the permanent forestay. Headsails shall not be set flying. No sail shall be attached forward of the point of attachment of the permanent forestay.

2 SCHEDULE OF RACES

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

3 CLASS FLAGS & DIVISIONS

- 3.1 Entrants may be allocated to racing divisions appropriate to their performance and entry numbers.
- 3.2 Class flags will be as follows:

CLASS / DIVISION	CODE FLAG
Division 1	Code Flag 'D'
Division 2	Code Flag 'E'
Division 3	Code Flag 'F'
Division 4	Code Flag 'G'

4 THE COURSES

- 4.1 As per the Thursday Twilight Non-Spinnaker Course List.
- 4.2 All marks shall be rounded or passed to starboard except those marks that are suffixed with (P) which shall be rounded or passed to port.
- 4.3 Courses may be shortened by the Race Committee prior to the start by displaying Code Flag "S" prior to or with the attention signal. The display of Code Flag "S" shall mean the Course is shortened and upon rounding the mark suffixed (*) all boats should proceed directly to the finish.
- 4.4 Courses may be shortened on the water for one or more divisions by the Race Committee displaying Code Flag "S" and the class flag/s for the divisions to be shortened. Boats shall finish between the Committee Vessel and the nearby rounding mark.

5 HANDICAPS

- 5.1 Starting times will be allocated at the discretion of the Sailing Manager or their nominee and adjusted for subsequent races based on PHS calculation.
- 5.2 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.
- 5.3 Allocated handicaps shall not be the subject of protest or dispute. This amends RRS 60.1 & 62.
- 5.4 Handicaps are published on the day of racing on the MHYC website and noticeboard.
- 5.5 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.
- 5.6 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 sequence will be a Count Up sequence start per MHYC NOR 22.

START TIME	
1750	Attention Signal – Orange Flag and Course Number displayed accompanied by a Sound Signal.
1800	Start Signal – Handicap Count-Up starts accompanied by a Sound Signal.

- 6.2 The Start will be an On Water Start in Hunters Bay Balmoral or, alternatively, in The Sound.
- 6.3 NOR 18 is amended as follows:
 - 18.1 Boats intending to race shall report to the Committee Vessel (CV) prior to the Attention Signal, on starboard tack, with mainsail hoisted, to confirm their intention to race. After the Attention Signal, boats intending to race shall report to the Committee Vessel (CV) prior to their Preparatory Signal (4 minutes prior to their allocated start time) on VHF Channel 72. Boats that do not report to the CV may be scored Did Not Start (DNS).
 - 18.4 Shall not apply.
 - 18.5 Prior to her Preparatory Signal (4 minutes prior to their allocated start time), a boat shall keep clear of the starting line and all boats about to start or which have started. Attention is drawn to RRS 23.
 - 18.6 Shall not apply.
- 6.4 Starting Handicap Numbers will be displayed by the Committee Vessel (CV). In the absence of a visual display, competitors shall refer to GPS or Internet time.
- 6.5 There will be no individual recall signals. A boat on the course side of the starting line for her designated start time will be penalised 5 minutes plus the difference between her nominated start time and actual start time unless she returns and restarts. This amends RRS 29 and 63.1.

7 THE FINISH

- 7.1 The finishing line will be between a staff or halyard displaying a blue flag on the committee vessel and the course side of the finish mark located in Hunters Bay, Balmoral or The Sound.
- 7.2 When the race committee determines the Clubhouse Finish is to be used (in accordance with NOR 17), Code Flag “O” will be displayed from the Race Committee Vessel not less than ten minutes before the scheduled start time.

- 7.3 For the Clubhouse Finish, spinnaker and whisker poles shall be dropped and stowed before crossing the transit formed by the two pumphouses. Boats shall continue without changing course until they have crossed the D-Arm transit. Boats are encouraged to use their motor and to drop their headsail at the first opportunity after finishing. Boats shall keep to the starboard (Clontarf) side of the channel and proceed towards Fisher Bay to pack up.
- 7.4 After packing up and when returning to the Club from the North, 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.
- 7.5 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, except that:
- During the months of November and February, the time limit will be 2015 hours
- During the months of December and January, the time limit will be 2030 hours
- 8.2 Only boats that have finished within the time limit shall rank as finishers. Boats not finishing within the time limit shall be scored DNF.
- 8.3 The time limit for notifying the RC of a boat's retirement shall be no later than 30 minutes after the time limit of the race. This amends NOR 20.
- 8.4 Competitors who fail to notify the RC of their retirement may receive a penalty of 5 minutes in the next race.

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, except that 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 Low Point System, Appendix A of the RRS shall apply.
- 12.3 RRS A5.3 applies except that DNC is scored the number of starters plus 2.
- 12.4 A casual race entrant will not receive a series score. This amends RRS A2.2.
- 12.5 Thursday Twilight Annual Series
a) Twenty three (25) pointscore races are scheduled and ten (10) 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 three (6) exclude scores.

- 12.6 Thursday Twilight Pre-Christmas Pointscore
a) Eleven (11) pointscore races are scheduled and five (5) 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 Post-Christmas Pointscore
a) Fourteen (14) pointscore races are scheduled and five (5) 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 three (3) excluded scores.
- 12.8 Thursday Twilight Women's Pointscore (Female Helms)
a) Six (6) pointscore races are scheduled and two (2) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
b) One (1) excluded score will apply after four (4) completed races.
- 12.9 A boat's points will not be transferred with a change of ownership or division.

LINE MARKING NEEDS?

- ➔ Carpark Line Marking
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COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

FLAGSTAFF MARINE THURSDAY TWILIGHT NON-SPINNAKER SERIES

For port rounding mark (P) refer to SI 4.2.

For shortened course mark () refer to SI 4.3.*

Division 1

COURSE 1 (approx. 5.1nm/3.5nm)

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|-----------------------------|----|-----------------------|
| 1. Start Hunters Bay | 5. | AS Mark Rocky Point |
| 2. AS Mark Manly West | 6. | AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 3. AS Mark Manly East | 7. | AS Mark Grotto Point |
| 4. AS Mark Cannae Point (*) | 8. | Finish Hunters Bay |

COURSE 2 (approx. 5.2nm/4.0nm)

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|-----------------------------|----|---------------------|
| 1. Start Hunters Bay | 4. | AS Mark Taylors Bay |
| 2. AS Mark Lady Bay | 5. | Finish Hunters Bay |
| 3. AS Mark Nielsen Park (*) | | |

COURSE 3 (approx. 5.6nm/4.7nm)

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|-----------------------|----|----------------------|
| 1. Start Hunters Bay | 4. | AS Mark Lady Bay (*) |
| 2. AS Mark Manly West | 5. | AS Mark East Channel |
| 3. AS Mark Manly East | 6. | Finish Hunters Bay |

COURSE 4 (approx. 6.1nm/3.5nm)

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|----------------------------|----|--------------------|
| 1. Start Hunters Bay | 5. | AS Mark Manly West |
| 2. AS Mark Cannae Point | 6. | AS Mark Manly East |
| 3. AS Mark Obelisk Bay (*) | 7. | Finish Hunters Bay |

COURSE 5 (approx. 7.0nm/5.5nm)

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|-----------------------------|----|---------------------|
| 1. Start Hunters Bay | 5. | AS Mark Point Piper |
| 2. Sow & Pigs Reef | 6. | Clarke Island |
| 3. AS Mark Nielsen Park | 7. | Finish Hunters Bay |
| 4. AS Mark Shark Island (*) | | |

COURSE 6 (approx. 8.1nm/6.4nm)

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|-----------------------|----|--------------------------|
| 1. Start Hunters Bay | 5. | AS Mark Nielsen Park (*) |
| 2. AS Mark Manly West | 6. | AS Mark Shark Island |
| 3. AS Mark Manly East | 7. | Shark Island |
| 4. AS Mark Lady Bay | 8. | Finish Hunters Bay |

COURSE 7 (approx. 8.5nm/6.9nm)

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|-------------------------|----|--------------------|
| 1. Start Hunters Bay | 4. | Clarke Island (*) |
| 2. Sow & Pigs Reef | 5. | Fort Denison (P) |
| 3. AS Mark Shark Island | 6. | Finish Hunters Bay |

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

FLAGSTAFF MARINE THURSDAY TWILIGHT NON-SPINNAKER SERIES

For port rounding mark (P) refer to SI 4.2.

For shortened course mark () refer to SI 4.3.*

Division 2

COURSE 1 (approx. 4.7nm/3.5nm)

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

COURSE 2 (approx. 4.7nm/2.9nm)

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|----|--------------------------|----|---------------------|
| 1. | Start Hunters Bay | 4. | AS Mark Taylors Bay |
| 2. | Sow & Pigs Reef | 5. | Finish Hunters Bay |
| 3. | AS Mark East Channel (*) | | |

COURSE 3 (approx. 5.0nm/4.5nm)

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|----|--------------------------|----|---------------------------|
| 1. | Start Hunters Bay | 4. | AS Mark Chowder Bay North |
| 2. | AS Mark Cannae Point | 5. | Finish Hunters Bay |
| 3. | AS Mark East Channel (*) | | |

COURSE 4 (approx. 5.0nm/3.5nm)

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|----|--------------------------|----|-----------------------|
| 1. | Start Hunters Bay | 5. | AS Mark Rocky Point |
| 2. | AS Mark Manly West | 6. | AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 3. | AS Mark Manly East | 7. | AS Mark Grotto Point |
| 4. | AS Mark Cannae Point (*) | 8. | Finish Hunters Bay |

COURSE 5 (approx. 6.5nm/5.6nm)

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|----|----------------------|----|----------------------|
| 1. | Start Hunters Bay | 4. | AS Mark Rose Bay (*) |
| 2. | Sow & Pigs Reef | 5. | AS Mark Point Piper |
| 3. | AS Mark East Channel | 6. | Finish Hunters Bay |

COURSE 6 (approx. 7.6nm/5.6nm)

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|----|--------------------|----|--------------------------|
| 1. | Start Hunters Bay | 5. | AS Mark East Channel (*) |
| 2. | AS Mark Manly West | 6. | AS Mark Nielsen Park |
| 3. | AS Mark Manly East | 7. | AS Mark Taylors Bay |
| 4. | AS Mark Lady Bay | 8. | Finish Hunters Bay |

COURSE 7 (approx. 7.4nm/5.7nm)

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|----|--------------------------|----|---------------------|
| 1. | Start Hunters Bay | 4. | Clarke Island |
| 2. | AS Mark Lady Bay | 5. | Sow & Pigs Reef (P) |
| 3. | AS Mark Shark Island (*) | 6. | Finish Hunters Bay |

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

FLAGSTAFF MARINE THURSDAY TWILIGHT NON-SPINNAKER SERIES

For port rounding mark (P) refer to SI 4.2.

For shortened course mark () refer to SI 4.3.*

Division 3

COURSE 1 (approx. 4.0nm/3.5nm)

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|-------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Start Hunters Bay | 4. AS Mark Obelisk Bay |
| 2. AS Mark Cannae Point | 5. Finish Hunters Bay |
| 3. AS Mark Lady Bay (*) | |

COURSE 2 (approx. 4.1nm/4.0nm)

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|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Start Hunters Bay | 4. Sow & Pigs Reef (P) |
| 2. AS Mark Lady Bay | 5. Finish Hunters Bay |
| 3. AS Mark Nielsen Park (*) | |

COURSE 3 (approx. 4.7nm/3.3nm)

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

COURSE 4 (approx. 3.9nm/2.4nm)

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|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Start Hunters Bay | 4. AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 2. AS Mark Cannae Point (*) | 5. AS Mark Grotto Point |
| 3. AS Mark Rocky Point | 6. Finish Hunters Bay |

COURSE 5 (approx. 6.1nm/3.9nm)

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|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Start Hunters Bay | 4. AS Mark Shark Island |
| 2. Sow & Pigs Reef | 5. AS Mark Point Piper |
| 3. AS Mark Nielsen Park (*) | 6. Finish Hunters Bay |

COURSE 6 (approx. 7.0nm/5.4nm)

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|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Start Hunters Bay | 5. AS Mark Shark Island |
| 2. AS Mark Cannae Point | 6. Shark Island |
| 3. AS Mark East Channel | 7. Finish Hunters Bay |
| 4. AS Mark Nielsen Park (*) | |

COURSE 7 (approx. 6.2nm/3.9nm)

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|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Start Hunters Bay | 4. AS Mark Point Piper |
| 2. Sow & Pigs Reef | 5. Sow & Pigs Reef (P) |
| 3. AS Mark Nielsen Park (*) | 6. Finish Hunters Bay |
| 4. AS Mark Shark Island | |

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

FLAGSTAFF MARINE THURSDAY TWILIGHT NON-SPINNAKER SERIES

For port rounding mark (P) refer to SI 4.2.

For shortened course mark () refer to SI 4.3.*

Division 4

COURSE 1 (approx. 3.5nm/3.2nm)

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|---------------------------|----|----------------------|
| 1. Start Hunters Bay | 4. | AS Mark Cannae Point |
| 2. AS Mark Manly West | 5. | Finish Hunters Bay |
| 3. AS Mark Manly East (*) | | |

COURSE 2 (approx. 3.1nm/2.6nm)

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|---------------------------|----|----------------------|
| 1. Start Hunters Bay | 4. | AS Mark East Channel |
| 2. Sow & Pigs Reef | 5. | AS Mark Obelisk Bay |
| 3. AS Mark Sow & Pigs (*) | 6. | Finish Hunters Bay |

COURSE 3 (approx. 4.0nm/3.6nm)

- | | | |
|-------------------------|----|---------------------|
| 1. Start Hunters Bay | 4. | AS Mark Obelisk Bay |
| 2. AS Mark Cannae Point | 5. | Finish Hunters Bay |
| 3. AS Mark Lady Bay (*) | | |

COURSE 4 (approx. 3.4nm/3.3nm)

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|---------------------------|----|----------------------|
| 1. Start Hunters Bay | 4. | AS Mark Cannae Point |
| 2. AS Mark Manly West | 5. | Finish Hunters Bay |
| 3. AS Mark Manly East (*) | | |

COURSE 5 (approx. 5.5nm/3.9nm)

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|-----------------------------|----|----------------------|
| 1. Start Hunters Bay | 4. | AS Mark Shark Island |
| 2. Sow & Pigs Reef | 5. | Shark Island |
| 3. AS Mark Nielsen Park (*) | 6. | Finish Hunters Bay |

COURSE 6 (approx. 5.8nm/4.1nm)

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|-----------------------------|----|---------------------|
| 1. Start Hunters Bay | 5. | Shark Island |
| 2. AS Mark Lady Bay | 6. | Sow & Pigs Reef (P) |
| 3. AS Mark Nielsen Park (*) | 7. | Finish Hunters Bay |
| 4. AS Mark Shark Island | | |

COURSE 7 (approx. 5.7nm/4.0nm)

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|-----------------------------|----|----------------------|
| 1. Start Hunters Bay | 4. | AS Mark Shark Island |
| 2. AS Mark Lady Bay | 5. | Shark Island |
| 3. AS Mark Nielsen Park (*) | 6. | Finish Hunters Bay |



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FRIDAY TWILIGHT SPINNAKER FLEET SERIES
 Category 7 / ORC, IRC & PHS Results / Divisions as Required
SCHEDULE OF RACES

RACE	DATE	START TIME
1	Friday, 20 October 2023	1800
2	Friday, 3 November 2023	1800
3	Friday, 17 November 2023	1800
4	Friday, 1 December 2023	1800
5	Friday, 15 December 2023	1800
6	Friday, 5 January 2024	1800
7	Friday, 19 January 2024	1800
8	Friday, 2 February 2024	1800
9	Friday, 16 February 2024	1800
10	Friday, 23 February 2024	1800
11	Friday, 15 March 2024	1800

FRIDAY TWILIGHT SPINNAKER FLEET SERIES
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 Refer to NOR 1 and 2.
 1.2 The nominated helmsperson of each boat shall be at the helm when starting and finishing.
 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.

2 SCHEDULE OF RACES

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

3 CLASS FLAGS & DIVISIONS

- 3.1 Entrants may be allocated to racing divisions appropriate to their performance and entry numbers.
 3.2 Class flags will be as follows:

CLASS / DIVISION	CODE FLAG
Spinnaker Division 1	Code Flag 'D'
Spinnaker Division 2	Code Flag 'E'
Cruising & Non-Spinnaker Division 3	Code Flag 'F'

4 THE COURSES

- 4.1 As per the Friday Twilight Series Course Descriptions attached.
 4.2 Courses may be shortened by the Race Committee prior to the start by displaying Code Flag "S" prior to or with the attention signal. The display of Code Flag "S" shall mean the Course is shortened and upon rounding the mark suffixed (*) all boats should proceed directly to the finish.
 4.3 Courses may be shortened on the water for one or more divisions by the Race Committee in accordance with RRS 32.

5 HANDICAPS

- 5.1 PHS handicaps will be allocated at the discretion of the Sailing Manager or their nominee and adjusted for subsequent races based on PHS calculation.
- 5.2 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.
- 5.3 Allocated handicaps shall not be the subject of protest or dispute. This amends RRS 60.1 & 62.
- 5.4 Handicaps are published on the day of racing on the MHYC website and noticeboard.
- 5.5 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.
- 5.6 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 an On Water Fleet Start in accordance with RRS 26 and NOR 18.
- 6.2 The starting line will be located in Hunters Bay or The Sound.
- 6.3 Boats shall report to the committee vessel prior to the warning signal, on starboard tack with mainsail hoisted, to confirm their intention to race. Boats that cannot be identified may be scored 'DNS'.
- 6.4 The starting line will be between a staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on the committee vessel and the course side of the start mark.
- 6.5 The first Warning Signal for Friday Twilight Fleet Series races shall not be made before 1755hrs.
- 6.6 The RC may combine a divisional start with another.
- 6.7 Prior to her Preparatory Signal, a boat shall keep clear of the starting line and all boats about to start or which have started. Attention is drawn to RRS 23.
- 6.8 When the race committee determines the Clubhouse Finish is to be used (in accordance with NOR 17), Code Flag "O" will be displayed from the committee vessel with or prior to the warning signal for the first division.

7 THE FINISH

- 7.1 The finishing line will be between a staff or halyard displaying a blue flag on the committee vessel and the course side of the finish mark located in Hunters Bay or The Sound.
- 7.2 For the Clubhouse Finish, all spinnakers and headsails not attached to the forestay shall be lowered and poles shall be dropped and stowed before crossing the transit formed by the two pumphouses. Boats shall continue without changing course until they have crossed the D-Arm transit. Boats are encouraged to use their motor and to drop their headsail at the first opportunity after finishing. Boats shall keep to the starboard (Clontarf) side of the channel and proceed towards Fisher Bay to pack up.
- 7.3 After packing up and when returning to the Club from the North, 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.
- 7.4 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, except that:
 - During the months of November and February, the time limit will be 2015 hours
 - During the months of December and January, the time limit will be 2030 hours
- 8.2 Only boats that have finished within the time limit shall rank as finishers. Boats not finishing within the time limit shall be scored DNF.
- 8.3 Competitors who fail to notify the RC of their retirement within 30 minutes of the race time limit may be scored DNC in accordance with NOR 20.2. 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, except that 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 on ORC, IRC and PHS handicaps.
- 12.2 The Low Point System, Appendix A of the RRS shall apply.
- 12.3 RRS A5.3 applies except that DNC is scored the number of starters plus 2.
- 12.4 A casual race entrant will not receive a series score. This amends RRS A2.2.
- 12.5 Eleven (11) pointscore races are scheduled and five (5) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.6 One (1) excluded score will apply after every four (4) completed races, up to a maximum of two (2) exclude scores.
- 12.7 A boat's points will not be transferred with a change of ownership or division.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS - FRIDAY TWILIGHT SERIES

For shortened course mark () refer to SI 4.2.*

Course 1	North/South
Division 1	Start – MW – ME – EC* - MW – ME – Finish (approx. 8.1nm/5.5nm)
Division 2	Start – MW – ME – LB* - MW – ME – Finish (approx. 7.2nm/4.7nm)
Division 3	Start – MW – ME – LB* - CP – Finish (approx. 6.2nm/4.7nm)
Course 2	North/South
Division 1	Start – MW – ME – LB* - MW – ME – Finish (approx. 7.2nm/4.7nm)
Division 2	Start – MW – ME – LB* - CP – Finish (approx. 6.2nm/4.7nm)
Division 3	Start – CP – LB* - CP – Finish (approx. 5.2nm/3.6nm)
Course 3	North-East
Division 1	Start – MW – ME – OB* - MW – ME – Finish (approx. 7.1nm/4.4nm)
Division 2	Start – MW – ME – OB* - CP – Finish (approx. 6.1nm/4.4nm)
Division 3	Start – CP – OB* - CP – Finish (approx. 5.1nm/3.5nm)
Course 4	East
Division 1	Start – CP – EB – GP – CP* – LB – EB – GP – Finish (approx. 8.2nm/5.4nm)
Division 2	Start – CP – EB – GP – CP* – LB – Finish (approx. 6.6nm/5.4nm)
Division 3	Start – CP – EB – GP* – CP – Finish (approx. 5.4nm/3.9nm)
Course 5	South-East
Division 1	Start – LB – GP – LB – RP – EB – GP* – LB – Finish (approx. 8.0nm/6.1nm)
Division 2	Start – LB – RP – EB – GP* – LB – Finish (approx. 5.7nm/3.9nm)
Division 3	Start – LB – GP* – LB – Finish (approx. 4.5nm/2.7nm)
Course 6	West
Division 1	Start – RP – EB – CP – EB – CP* – EB – GP – Finish (approx. 7.8nm/6.2nm)
Division 2	Start – RP – EB – CP – EB – GP* – CP – Finish (approx. 6.2nm/4.7nm)
Division 3	Start – RP – EB – CP* – EB – GP – Finish (approx. 4.7nm/3.2nm)

MHYC FEATURE EVENTS SERIES
Incorporating the Beneteau Series & Two-Handed Series
 Category 7 / Pursuit Results / Divisions as Required
SCHEDULE OF RACES

EVENT	DATE	EVENT NAME	SCHEDULED START TIME	INFORMATION
1	Saturday, 2 September 2023	Commodore's Cup (Two-Handed Series #1)	1230	Separate Sailing Instructions
2	Saturday, 7 October 2023	Harbour Trek	1230	Separate Sailing Instructions
3	Saturday, 25 November 2023	Seven Islands Race	1100	Separate Sailing Instructions
4	Saturday, 16 December 2023	Christmas Cup	1230	Separate Sailing Instructions
5	Saturday, 13 January 2024	Chaos Cup & Bedlam Point Cup (Beneteau Series #1 & Two-Handed Series #2)	1100	Separate Sailing Instructions
6	Saturday, 3 February 2024	Picnic Race	1100	Separate Sailing Instructions
7	Saturday, 9 March 2024	March Cup (Beneteau Series #2)	1230	Separate Sailing Instructions
8	Thursday, 25 April 2024	Two Up Cup - ANZAC Day	1230	Separate Sailing Instructions
9	Saturday, 18 May 2024	Autumn Sail (Two-Handed Series #3)	1230	Separate Sailing Instructions
10	Saturday, 22 June 2024	Welcome to Winter	1230	Separate Sailing Instructions
11	Saturday, 27 July 2024	Christmas in July (Two-Handed Series #4)	1230	Separate Sailing Instructions

FEATURE EVENT SERIES NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 This NOR shall apply in conjunction with the MHYC Notice of Race.
- 1.2 Refer to MHYC NOR 1 and 2.
- 1.3 Separate Notices of Series may be issued for the Beneteau Race Series and Two-Handed Series.

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Advertising on a boat shall comply with MHYC NOR 6.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 All boats shall meet the Eligibility and Entry requirements of MHYC NOR 7.
- 3.2 All boats shall hold a current valid AS Special Regulation Equipment Compliance Certificate Category 7 or higher.
- 3.3 Eligible boats shall enter online and pay the required fee (as per MHYC NOR 7) via the MHYC website by 1700 hours on the Thursday preceding the event.
- 3.4 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Sailing Manager up to 1 hour before the published start time on the day of the event.
- 3.5 Attention is drawn to RRS 76.1 and the Race Committee's right to reject an entry.

4 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

4.1 The Sailing Instructions for each event will be available from the Sailing Office and published on the MHYC website on the Thursday prior to each race.

5 DIVISIONS

5.1 The event is a Pursuit Handicap Race per MHYC NOR 22.

5.2 Divisions will be as outlined in each event Sailing Instructions.

5.3 For divisions and individual boats designated non-spinnaker, only a mainsail and one headsail may be used at any time. The headsail may be poled out but shall be fully hanked or attached by means of a luff groove device to the permanent forestay. Headsails shall not be set flying. No sail shall be attached forward of the point of attachment of the permanent forestay.

5.4 Divisional parameters may be constructed and divisions may be formed or abandoned at the discretion of the Sailing Manager or their nominee. These decisions will not be subject to protest or request for redress.

6 RACING AREA

6.1 Racing will be conducted in the waters of Lower Middle Harbour and Sydney Harbour.

6.2 Courses will be those annexed to the Sailing Instructions.

7 THE START

7.1 The Count-Up Start Sequence as per MHYC NOR 22 shall be used.

7.2 The Start will be the Club House Start Line per MHYC NOR 16.

8 ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES

8.1 For an infringement of RRS Part 2, the Two Turns Penalty (RRS 44.2) shall apply.

8.2 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.

9 FINISH LINE

9.1 The Finish will be the Clubhouse Finish Line per MHYC NOR 17.

9.2 If a Committee Vessel displaying Code Flag "S" is stationed to the West or South of Grotto Point Lighthouse, AS Mark Edwards Beach shall be omitted (if applicable) and boats shall finish between the Committee Vessel and Grotto Point Lighthouse.

10 SCORING

10.1 There is no Series Score for the Feature Event Series. 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.

10.2 For the Two Handed Series, 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. The Low Point System, Appendix A of the RRS shall apply. RRS A5.3 applies except that DNC is scored the number of starters plus 2.

10 PRIZES

10.1 Prizes may be awarded to the first three (3) overall place-getters in each division at the discretion of the Sailing Manager at a presentation to be held at MHYC following the race.

10.2 Additional prizes or trophies will be as outlined in the Sailing Instructions.

10.3 Series prizes may be awarded for the Beneteau Series.

11 MEDIA RIGHTS & DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

11.1 Refer to MHYC NOR 28 & 29.

LEADING EDGE SERIES

Category 7 / Pursuit Results / Divisions as Required

SCHEDULE OF RACES

RACE	DATE	RACE FORMAT	‘COUNT UP’ SCHEDULED START TIME
LEADING EDGE SERIES			
1	Saturday, 10 August 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1230hrs
2	Saturday, 17 August 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1230hrs
3	Saturday, 24 August 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1230hrs
4	Saturday, 31 August 2024	Inshore Pursuit Race	1230hrs

LEADING EDGE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 As per NOR 1 and 2.
- 1.2 For boats entered as non-spinnaker, only a mainsail and one headsail may be used at any time. The headsail may be poled out but shall be fully hanked or attached by means of a luff groove device to the permanent forestay. Headsails shall not be set flying. No sail shall be attached forward of the point of attachment of the permanent forestay.

2 SCHEDULE OF RACES

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

3 DIVISIONS

- 3.1 Yachts will be allocated to Divisions appropriate to the number of entries received for Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker categories, based on yachts performance.
- 3.2 Division allocation is subject to the receipt of entries and shall be structured by the Sailing Manager at their absolute discretion. Allocation to Divisions shall not be the subject to protest or constitute grounds for redress. This amends RRS 60.1 and 62.3.4
- 3.3 Class Flags for the Leading Edge Series Races are as follows:

CLASS / DIVISION	FLAG
Division 1	Code Flag ‘D’
Division 2	Code Flag ‘E’

4 THE COURSE

- 4.1 The course of the day will be selected from those listed in ‘Leading Edge Series Courses’, which is attached to these Sailing Instructions. A course number will be displayed with or prior to the Attention Signal signifying the course selected for the day.
- 4.2 Courses may be shortened at the discretion of the Sailing Manager. Should Code Flag “S” be displayed with the Attention Signal, the race will automatically be shortened and all yachts should proceed to the finish line after having rounded the mark indicated by an asterisk (*).

5 THE START

- 5.1 The attention signal shall not be made before 1220hrs.
- 5.2 The start line will be the Clubhouse Start in accordance to MHYC NOR 16.
- 5.3 The start shall be a count-up start in accordance to NOR 22.

START SEQUENCE	
1220	Attention Sound Signal and course number displayed
1230	Start Sound Signal and start handicap count-up clock

- 5.4 There will be no individual recall signals. A boat on the course side of the starting line for her designated start time will be penalised 5 minutes plus the difference between her nominated start time and actual start time unless she returns and restarts. This amends RRS 29 and 63.1.

6 THE FINISH

- 6.1 The finish line will be the Clubhouse finish line in accordance with MHYC NOR 17.
6.2 If a Committee Vessel displaying Code Flag "S" is stationed to the West or South of Grotto Point Lighthouse, AS Mark Edwards Beach shall be omitted (if applicable) and boats shall finish between the Committee Vessel and Grotto Point Lighthouse.

7 HANDICAPS

- 7.1 Starting handicap numbers will be allocated at the discretion of the Sailing Manager or their nominee and adjusted for subsequent races based on PHS calculation.
7.2 The Sailing Manager or their nominee may at their absolute discretion review any boat's 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.
7.3 Allocated handicaps shall not be the subject of protest or dispute. This amends RRS 60.1 & 62.
7.4 Handicaps are published on the day of racing on the MHYC website and noticeboard.

8 TIME LIMIT

- 8.1 The time limit shall be 1530 hours. However, if the leading yacht finishes within the time limit, then other yachts will be timed in until 1600 hours. Boats not finishing within the time limit or extension shall be ranked DNF.
8.2 Boats retiring from racing comply with NOR 20.

9 PROTESTS

- 9.1 The Sailing Committee looks to competitors to enter the event in the right spirit, observe the Racing Rules of Sailing and complete a one or two turns penalty (RRS 44) or retire immediately if they breach them. Should competitors feel the need to formally protest, this should be done in accordance with NOR 24.

10 SCORING

- 10.1 The Low Point System, Appendix A of the RRS including A5.3 shall apply.
10.2 There are four (4) races scheduled in the Leading Edge Series. Two (2) races are required to be completed to constitute a series. No scores shall be excluded.
10.3 Abandoned races will not be re-sailed.
10.4 A casual race entrant will not receive a series score. This amends RRS A2.2.
10.5 A boat's points shall not be transferred with a change of ownership or division.

11 PRIZES

- 11.1 Prizes may be awarded at a post-race presentation. Prizes not collected at that time shall be forfeited.
11.2 Additional prizes may be awarded.

LEADING EDGE SERIES COURSE DESCRIPTIONS
COURSE NOTES:

1. All Marks shall be rounded to Starboard
2. Division 2 boats shall omit marks noted (x)
3. All divisions please refer to shortening course SI 4.2 (*)

Course 1 (Div 1 – 10.0nm, Div 2 - 8.8nm approx.)

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|----|----------------------|---------|--------------------------|
| 1. | Start at MHYC | 7. | AS Mark Grotto Point |
| 2. | AS Mark Cannae Point | 8. | AS Mark Cannae Point (*) |
| 3. | AS Mark Grotto Point | 9. (x) | AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 4. | AS Mark Manly West | 10. (x) | AS Mark Lady Bay |
| 5. | AS Mark Manly East | 11. | AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 6. | AS Mark Cannae Point | 12. | Finish at MHYC |

Course 2 (Div 1 – 10.9nm, Div 2 – 9.9nm approx.)

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|----|----------------------|--------|----------------------|
| 1. | Start at MHYC | 5. | AS Mark East Channel |
| 2. | AS Mark Lady Bay | 6. (x) | AS Mark Grotto Point |
| 3. | AS Mark Grotto Point | 7. (x) | AS Mark East Channel |
| 4. | AS Mark Lady Bay (*) | 8. | Finish at MHYC |

Course 3 (Div 1 - 11.0nm, Div 2 - 10.0nm approx.)

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|----|-------------------------------|--------|---------------------------|
| 1. | Start at MHYC | 5. | AS Mark Cannae Point |
| 2. | AS Mark Cannae Point | 6. (x) | AS Mark Chowder Bay South |
| 3. | AS Mark Lady Bay | 7. | Finish at MHYC |
| 4. | AS Mark Chowder Bay South (*) | | |

Course 4 (Div 1 – 11.6nm, Div 2 – 10.6nm approx.)

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|----|------------------------|---------|-----------------------|
| 1. | Start at MHYC | 7. | AS Mark Cannae Point |
| 2. | AS Mark Cannae Point | 8. (x) | AS Mark Rocky Point |
| 3. | AS Mark Rocky Point | 9. (x) | AS Mark Edwards Beach |
| 4. | AS Mark Edwards Beach | 10. (x) | AS Mark Cannae Point |
| 5. | AS Mark Manly West | 11. | Finish at MHYC |
| 6. | AS Mark Manly East (*) | | |

Course 5 (Div 1 – 11.8nm, Div 2 10.6nm approx.)

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|----|--------------------------|--------|----------------------|
| 1. | Start at MHYC | 5. | AS Mark Manly West |
| 2. | AS Mark Manly West | 6. | AS Mark Manly East |
| 3. | AS Mark Manly East | 7. (x) | AS Mark East Channel |
| 4. | AS Mark East Channel (*) | 8. | Finish at MHYC |

Course 6 (Div 1 – 12.5nm, Div 2 10.1nm approx.)

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|----|----------------------|--------|------------------|
| 1. | Start MHYC | 4. (x) | Fort Denison (P) |
| 2. | AS Mark Rose Bay (*) | 5. | Finish MHYC |
| 3. | AS Mark Point Piper | | |

MHYC MAJOR REGATTAS

In addition to its busy club racing program and regularly hosting class championships and regattas, Middle Harbour Yacht Club hosts a number of regattas which are integral to the fabric of sailing in Sydney.

Celebrating its 46th year in 2023, the **Nautilus Marine Sydney Short Ocean Racing Championship** continues to meet the constant evolution of yacht racing. Always an innovative event, the Regatta has played a significant role in the transition from the IOR to IMS and then to the IRC rating rules used to handicap ocean racing. It has also been the major local regatta of the year for one-design classes. For many yacht owners and their crews, this two-day regatta sailed on passage and windward-leeward courses off Sydney's Heads is vital to their preparations for the Rolex Sydney Hobart Yacht Race.

The **Nautilus Marine Sydney Harbour Regatta**, now entering its nineteenth year, is the largest keelboat regatta in Sydney. Originally established as the lead event for Sydney Harbour Week, to celebrate our harbour's diversity, the Sydney Harbour Regatta has rightly earned its reputation as Sydney's 'Sailing Spectacular', providing a perfect opportunity to display to spectators the thrill and excitement that our sport offers with racing inshore and offshore on up to eight course areas.

In the **MHYC Women's Regatta**, Open Keelboat and One Design divisions are contested by yachts with all female crews or mixed crews with a female helm. Two short windward-leeward races are followed by a passage race and a relaxed presentation ceremony at the club.

MHYC will conduct the following Major Regattas in 2023-2024:

DATE	EVENT	EVENT WEBSITE
Saturday & Sunday 25-26 November 2023	Nautilus Marine Sydney Short Ocean Racing Championship (SSORC)	www.ssorc.mhyc.com.au
Saturday & Sunday 2-3 March 2024	Nautilus Marine Sydney Harbour Regatta (SHR)	www.shr.mhyc.com.au
Saturday, 3 August 2024	MHYC Women's Regatta	www.mhyc.com.au



MHYC WOMEN'S SAILING PROGRAM

Middle Harbour Yacht Club has an active group of women sailors who participate in every aspect of the sport and club. Its program also provides women's sailing events that provide additional opportunities for women to expand their sailing skills and experience.

Thursday Twilight Women's Pointscore

The popular Thursday Twilight Series includes twenty six races this season, six of which make up the Women's Twilight Pointscore. Four divisions of yachts, from family cruisers to high tech racing machines, share the joy of racing on our spectacular harbour. Everyone enjoys returning to the lively social atmosphere of MHYC as the sun goes down to enjoy a meal, wine, and good friends.

Sydney Harbour Women's Series

MHYC and four other clubs are cooperating to run the Sydney Harbour Women's Series over the 2023-2024 season. Five inshore passage races will include divisions for all-female crews and mixed crews with female helms.

MHYC Women's Regatta

The MHYC Women's Regatta was first held in 2018 and attracts a strong fleet from a variety of clubs. The MHYC Women's Regatta will be held this season on Saturday August 3 with two short windward-leeward races followed by a longer passage race.

Australian Women's Keelboat Regatta

The AWKR is held at Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron on the King's Birthday weekend in June each year. This event draws crews from around the country and we hope that MHYC will be represented again.

SheSails

Run by Australian Sailing, SheSails is all about enjoying your sailing adventure in a fun, friendly and safe environment. Find out more about the program and other sailing opportunities around the country by visiting shesails.org.au.



CRUISING at MHYC

The Cruisers at MHYC are a group of sailors, with or without boats, who enjoy meeting up, listening to interesting speakers and guiding each other in the world of sailing. We like getting together with others who cruise in company, for a day, a weekend, or even longer passages.

We have adventures near and far, both together and individually. Safety is an important part of cruising, and we share best practice to make sure sailors are confident in boat handling, boat maintenance and navigation.

The Cruisers meet up on the third Monday of each month for a BBQ and a meeting at the club. We have a variety of interesting people come and present to us, all from fellow cruisers who are sharing their experiences to the professionals with whom we share the harbour.

Our events are on the Cruising website: cruising.mhyc.com.au/events

For information on upcoming events, updates and becoming a member, go to the website, look at the MHYC eNews or subscribe to the Compass Rose, our monthly newsletter.

Here is an indication of what we are planning for the 2023-2024 Sailing season - subject to change.



When	What	Where
20 August (Sunday)	MHYC Free Get Checked day	MHYC
30 September – 2 October (Saturday – Monday)	October long weekend cruise	TBC
15 October Sunday	Make A Wish	MHYC (Date TBC)
28-29 October (Saturday – Sunday)	Tapas Tie-up	Sugarloaf
1 – 7 January 2024 (Monday – Sunday)	New Year’s Cruise	Port Stephens (Broughton Island)
3 February (Saturday post racing)	Alternative Picnic Race - Sailing Cruising and Racing get together and raft up	Quarantine Beach (TBC)
9 – 10 March (Saturday – Sunday)	Cruising get together and safety training	Sydney Harbour
28 Mar -1 April (Friday – Monday)	Easter Cruise	Shell Harbour
8 – 10 June (Saturday – Monday)	King’s Birthday weekend cruise	Pittwater



MHYC CHARITY & CORPORATE EVENTS

Middle Harbour Yacht Club is the ideal venue to host a Charity Event, Corporate or Industry Day Regatta, for fun, social racing and pre and post regatta activities in the clubhouse and on the beach.

An MHYC Regatta is a great way to enjoy a day out on the water whilst raising money for a worthy cause or providing a very special platform for networking with colleagues and clients.

Charity Regattas at MHYC have helped raise significant funds over many years for various charities. If you would like to take part as a sponsor, by entering a team, or to donate the use of your boat to help raise funds for a worthy cause, please contact MHYC Sailing Office for more information.

MHYC will host the following key Charity Events and Industry Day Regattas in 2023-2024:

DATE	EVENT	EVENT WEBSITE
Sunday, 15 October 2023	Make a Wish Cruise	www.makeawish.org.au
Friday, 17 November 2023	ASX Refinitiv Foundation Regatta	www.asxrefinitivcharity.com.au
Tuesday, 6 February 2024	SAP Redkite Charity Regatta	www.redkite.org.au
Friday, 23 February 2024	RFI Spurious Challenge	rfi.com.au/spuriouschallenge
Friday, 22 March 2024	Renewable Energy Cup	www.renewcup.org



SAILABILITY MIDDLE HARBOUR

Sailability Middle Harbour (SMH) sails out of Middle Harbour Yacht Club (MHYC) at The Spit, Mosman. Middle Harbour Yacht Club is an ideal venue for Sailability with handy access parking, easy wheelchair pontoon access and a personal transfer crane set up if required. Sailing times are from 9.00 am to 1.00 pm on the second and last Sunday of each month. Usually each sail is for about 40 minutes. The cost is \$5.00 per sail or \$40 per year to join SMH which offers sailors a relaxing Sunday sail and the opportunity to learn to sail solo.

Our fleet consists of six Hansa 303 keelboats, each capable of taking out a sailor and a volunteer together. Lifejackets are provided and a safety boat is on hand.

If you would like to sail or volunteer to help, please call Sally O'Neill on 0411 886 539.

SAILABILITY MIDDLE HARBOUR CALENDAR

<i>Date</i>	<i>Start</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Event</i>
Sunday, 10 September 2023	0900	Hansa 303	Recreational Sailing
Sunday, 24 September 2023	0900	Hansa 303	Recreational Sailing
Sunday, 8 October 2023	0900	Hansa 303	Recreational Sailing
Sunday, 29 October 2023	0900	Hansa 303	Recreational Sailing
Sunday, 12 November 2023	0900	Hansa 303	Recreational Sailing
Sunday, 26 November 2023	0900	Hansa 303	Recreational Sailing
Sunday, 10 December 2023	0900	Hansa 303	Recreational Sailing
Sunday, 14 January 2024	0900	Hansa 303	Recreational Sailing
Sunday, 28 January 2024	0900	Hansa 303	Recreational Sailing
Sunday, 11 February 2024	0900	Hansa 303	Recreational Sailing
Sunday, 25 February 2024	0900	Hansa 303	Recreational Sailing
Sunday, 10 March 2024	0900	Hansa 303	Recreational Sailing
Sunday, 31 March 2024	0900	Hansa 303	Recreational Sailing
Sunday, 14 April 2024	0900	Hansa 303	Recreational Sailing
Sunday, 28 April 2024	0900	Hansa 303	Recreational Sailing
Sunday, 12 May 2024	0900	Hansa 303	Recreational Sailing
Sunday, 26 May 2024	0900	Hansa 303	Recreational Sailing
Sunday, 9 June 2024	0900	Hansa 303	Recreational Sailing
Sunday, 30 June 2024	0900	Hansa 303	Recreational Sailing
Sunday, 14 July 2024	0900	Hansa 303	Recreational Sailing
Sunday, 28 July 2024	0900	Hansa 303	Recreational Sailing
Sunday, 11 August 2024	0900	Hansa 303	Recreational Sailing
Sunday, 25 August 2024	0900	Hansa 303	Recreational Sailing

MHYC SPECIAL AWARDS AND PERPETUAL TROPHIES

Clubmanship Awards

These are presented at the Annual Prize-giving presentation to members who have made an outstanding contribution to the Club during the year.

Tig Thomas Distinction Trophy

Gilbert (Tig) Thomas was not only just a great champion of our club, but also a champion sailor competing at home and overseas. The Tig Thomas Distinction Trophy is in recognition of his feats and to recognise MHYC sailing members who have competed in interclub events and major championships both in Australia and around the world.

Norman G. Booth Trophy: Awarded to a skipper or crew, other than an Annual Pointscore winner, from any Division, nominated for his/her consistent racing with the MHYC and with emphasis on enthusiasm, improvement, sportsmanship and Clubmanship throughout the season.

The R.B. Cooper Perpetual Award for Voluntary Service: Presented to a Club Member whose outstanding voluntary service is deemed to have contributed most to the affairs and wellbeing of MHYC in a membership year.

The MHYC Flag Officers Participants Award: Presented annually to the MHYC Yacht having participated in the greatest number of MHYC Events in the Winter and Summer Seasons.

Crew Member of the Year Award: Presented to an esteemed crew member, displaying the characteristics of a desirable MHYC Member, someone other crew members would aspire to emulate, and nominated from of a yacht in a division of the Annual Pointscore during the season.

The Jules Trophy for MHYC Yachtswoman of the Year is awarded to a member who sails regularly from MHYC, is enthusiastic and active participant in the sport of sailing and shows good seamanship and sportsmanlike conduct.



Perpetual Trophies

MHYC has a wealth of perpetual trophies awarded each year for success in a variety of races and series, the key ones being:

The Nigel Holman Memorial Trophy was struck by the many MHYC members and friends of the late Nigel Holman, who sadly died after a long illness in November 2007.

Nigel was a member of Middle Harbour Yacht Club for over 23 years and was a keen offshore yachtsman. His various yachts, all but one named "Cuckoos Nest" carried the sail number MYC2 this reflected his membership at Manly Yacht Club, adjacent to his home in Manly. A regular and successful entrant in the major East Coast Offshore Races, Nigel was also an enthusiastic club and twilight sailor. Nigel's yacht "Cuckoos Nest" won the Cruising Yacht Club of Australia's Tattersall's Cup for Overall Winner on Corrected Time in the 49th Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race. It is in this spirit, that this Trophy is to be presented annually to the best placed yacht representing MHYC in the Tattersall's Cup in the annual Cruising Yacht Club of Australia, Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race.

Gillawa Shield presented by the late A. J. Wildman for the best performed MHYC yacht in the CYCA Blue Water Pointscore Series on IRC.

Gillawa Plate presented to the best performed MHYC yacht in the CYCA Blue Water Pointscore Series on PHS.

Ocean Pointscore Trophy presented in 2009 by Pauline and Andrew Dally for annual competition in the Ocean Pointscore Series. Awarded to the winning boat in the Performance Handicap Series.



The Siandra Trophy is presented to the MHYC yacht best placed on IRC in the first CYCA Blue Water Pointscore Race of the season.

The Premiers Cup presented annually to the winning yacht in Division 1 of the Club's IRC Inshore Annual Pointscore. The trophy was first presented in 2000 by the Premier of NSW for competition in the IRC & IMS Classes for the MHYC Coffs Coast Sail Week. In 2001 the trophy lapsed and was rededicated by the Flag Officers for the Clubs new and growing Inshore IRC Division.

The John Eyles Trophy - This Trophy was originally won by the yacht "Fujitsu Dealers" John Eyles, as First Place in IMS Division III in the 1990 Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race. John was a long time MHYC Member and campaigned the yacht from MHYC. In 2007 John granted the Trophy to MHYC as a token of appreciation. The Club dedicated the Trophy to the Winning Yacht in the Open Division (now Division 1) of the PHS Annual Inshore Pointscore.

Heaven Can Wait Trophy - Presented annually to the winning yacht in the Clubs No 1 Inshore Division, Annual Pointscore, on Performance Handicap. The Trophy was first presented to MHYC by Warren Johns in 1993 for Competition in the MHYC Sydney to Southport Race. The Trophy lapsed in 1995. In 2004 the Flag Officers rededicated the Trophy for the Clubs No 1 Inshore Division. From 2021, the trophy was rededicated to Division 2 of the PHS Annual Inshore Pointscore.

The Bob Murray Perpetual Trophy - Originally presented to the winner of the Division 2 PHS Inshore Annual Pointscore, from 2021 this has been awarded to PHS Division 3. The trophy was first presented in 1980 by Mrs Norma Murray in memory of her husband Bob Murray.

The Asiaciti Trust Trophy - This Trophy was originally awarded by the Asiaciti Trust Company Ltd for annual competition in the Sydney to Vanuatu Yacht Race in the I.O.R. Division. The Trophy was first won in 1984 by Spirit of Vanuatu and again in 1986 by Ruff 'N Tumble, MHYC. The Vanuatu Race lapsed and the Trophy was held in Trust for many years by Middle Harbour Yacht Club on behalf of Lindsay Rose, owner of Ruff 'N Tumble, who, in conjunction with John Walsh had restored the Trophy after it was damaged in the Cyclone that ravaged Vanuatu in 1986. In 2006 Lindsay Rose granted the Trophy in Perpetuity to MHYC to be awarded for Annual Competition in the Adams 10 Class PHS Annual Pointscore.

The Ben Nossiter Perpetual Trophy - This trophy was originally presented to MHYC by the Police Association in recognition of the enduring relationship between the Adams 10 fleet and the Police Games. The trophy, which is the original butt from the starter's shotgun used by MHYC until the use of guns was outlawed, has now been rededicated to Ben Nossiter, in recognition of his long career and outstanding achievements at MHYC in his Adams 10, Sirius. The trophy will be awarded to the Adams 10 which has the best PHS result for all the sprint races in the Annual Pointscore.



APPENDIX 1

MARK DESCRIPTIONS & LOCATIONS

FIXED AUSTRALIAN SAILING (AS) MARKS

Previously Yachting Australia or Yachting New South Wales (YA Marks), these are spar shape and yellow in colour. Locations are approximate and marks may have moved or be absent after heavy weather.

ID	LOCATION	ID	LOCATION
CBN	AS Mark Chowder Bay (North) Lat. 33-50-343 Lon. 151-15-613	NP	AS Mark Nielsen Park Lat. 33-50-945 Lon. 151-15-927
CBS	AS Mark Chowder Bay (South) Lat. 33-50-533 Lon. 151-15-343	OB	AS Mark Obelisk Bay Lat. 33-49-845 Lon. 151-15-981
CP	AS Mark Cannae Point Lat. 33-48-819 Lon. 151-16-955	PP	AS Mark Point Piper Lat. 33-51-758 Lon. 151-15-077
EB	AS Mark Edwards Beach Lat. 33-49-292 Lon. 151-15-299	RB	AS Mark Rose Bay Lat. 33-51-742 Lon. 151-15-978
EC	AS Mark East Channel Lat. 33-50-439 Lon. 151-16-249	RP	AS Mark Rocky Point Lat. 33-49-424 Lon. 151-15-299
GP	AS Mark Grotto Point Lat. 33-49-052 Lon. 151-16-039	SI	AS Mark Shark Island Lat. 33-51-609 Lon. 151-15-572
LB	AS Mark Lady Bay Lat. 33-50-076 Lon. 151-16-620	SP	AS Mark Sow & Pigs (<i>Beashel Buoy</i>) Lat. 33-50-332 Lon. 151-16-185
ME	AS Mark Manly East Lat. 33-48-193 Lon. 151-16-731	TB	AS Mark Taylor Bay Lat. 33-50-898 Lon. 151-14-922
MW	AS Mark Manly West Lat. 33-48-173 Lon. 151-16-619		

LAID MHYC MARKS

MHYC Inflatables (Club Marks), cylindrical shape, yellow or orange in colour.

Locations are approximate and marks may be optimised to suit wind and sea conditions.

ID	NAME	LOCATION
AB	MH Inflatable Abbotsford Bay	Abbotsford Bay
BP	MH Inflatable Bedlam Point	Bedlam Point
CB	MH Inflatable Chowder Bay North	South-East of AS Mark Chowder Bay
CP	MH Inflatable Cannae Point	South of Quarantine Head
EB	MH Inflatable Edwards Beach	North-East of AS Mark Edwards Beach
GP	MH Inflatable Grotto Point	In the vicinity of Grotto Point Light
MP	MH Inflatable Manly Point	South of Manly Point
NH	MH Inflatable North Head	West of tip of North Head
OB	MH Inflatable Obelisk Bay	South of AS Mark Obelisk Bay
RB	MH Inflatable Reef Beach	North-East of Reef Beach
SR	MH Inflatable South Reef	North-East of Sow & Pigs Reef

HARBOUR ISLAND MARKS

Harbour Islands Locations as per Chart AUS200.

NAME	LOCATION
Shark Island	West Cardinal Mark on the Western side of Shark Island Port Lateral Mark (lighthouse) on the Northern side of Shark Island
Clarke Island	Starboard Lateral Mark on the Southern side of Clarke Island
Fort Denison	Starboard Lateral mark on Southern side of Fort Denison
Sow & Pigs Reef	Area bounded by Cardinal Marks surrounding Sow & Pigs Reef

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Zodiac Medline 9



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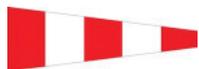
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