



ANNUAL SKIPPER'S BRIEFING

THURSDAY 17th SEPTEMBER 2020

Annual Skippers Briefing 2020

- Introduction and Welcome – Geoff Charters
- NSW Roads & Maritime Services - Nick Von Wietersheim
- Emergencies on the Water
- Sailing Handbook 2020 - 2021
- Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 & 2021-2024
- Australian Sailing Special Regulations 2020
- Racing Program 2020-2021
- Race Management
- Important Reminders



MHYC Sailing Committee



■ Chairman - Vice Commodore, Racing	Geoff Charters, <i>No Friends</i>
■ Commodore	Peter Lewis
■ Vice Commodore, Youth	Alister Copley
■ Special Events Chairman	Ian Box, <i>Toy Box 2</i>
■ Chief Special Regulations Auditor	Phil Darling, <i>Expresso</i>
■ Offshore Division & Inshore Division No 1	Bob Cox, <i>Nine Dragons</i>
■ Inshore Division No 2	John Crawford, <i>Innamincka</i>
■ Adams 10m Representative	Kim Darling, <i>Lumine Lunae</i>
■ Farr 40 Representative	Gordon Ketelbey, <i>Zen</i>
■ Wednesday Divisions	Julie Hodder
■ Thursday Twilight Divisions	Peter Charles
■ Women's Sailing	Deborah Dalziel
■ Cruising Division	Dallas O'Brien, <i>La Madre</i>
■ Co-opted Member	Phil Clinton
■ Co-opted Member	Toby Gursansky
■ Sailing Manager & PRO	David Staley

MHYC Race Management

■ Accredited Race Officers

Toby Gursansky, Steve Tucker, Phil Yeomans, Kathy Johnston, Phil Clinton, Denis Comber, Paul Goodyer, Caroline Heslop, Drew Lucas, Rob Ogilvie, Catherine Rofe, Dante Belgiovane & David Staley

■ Race Management Volunteers

Greg Young, Fred Hemming, Peter Smith, Andrew Ware, Sue Morris, Beverly Ballinger, Julie Hodder, Sandra Cleaver, Graham Doke, Deb Wright & others



MHYC Race Management

■ Accredited Club Judges

John Anet, Nicky Bethwaite, Kerry Burke, Geoff Charters,
Phil Clinton, John Crawford, Dion Hart, Catherine Rofe
& Phil Yeomans

■ Accredited Equipment Auditors

Phil Darling, Evan Hodge, Tony Levett, Michael McEvoy, Glynne
Attersall, Phil Clinton, Philip West, Paul Wotherspoon, Phil Yeomans,
Peter Lewis, Glen Madsen, Dallas O'Brien, Matthew Miles, Deborah
Dalziel, Bryan Moore & Neil Padden

■ Sailing Office

David Staley – Sailing Manager

Catherine Rofe & Kathy Johnston – Sailing Administrators



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■ NSW Roads & Maritime Services Briefing

Rianna James & Lisa Nott

Boating Safety Officers (Sydney Harbour)

Sailing Handbook 2020-2021



Sailing Handbook 2020-2021



Important Pages & Information:

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Emergency on the Water
Call 000
NSW Water Police

Sailing Handbook 2020-2021



Changes to the Handbook

- Re-allocation of Class Flags for Inshore, Wednesday & Thursday racing programs
 - Division 1 Code Flag 'D'
 - Division 2 Code Flag 'E'
 - Division 3 Code Flag 'F'
 - Division 4 Code Flag 'G'
 - Adams 10 (A10) Code Flag 'T'
 - Saturday Social Code Flag 'R'
 - Minor changes to Inshore Naval courses (p42)
 - Addition of Women's Sailing information (p90)
 - Recent amendments to Inshore and Sprint SIs (Div. 3)
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RRS & Special Regulations



- The current edition of the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing remain in effect until 1 January 2021, from which date the 2021-2024 RRS applies
 - To download the new RRS – [click here](#)
 - MHYC Requirements - A current copy of the Racing Rules of Sailing (electronic or printed)
 - The Australian Sailing Special Regulations apply for all MHYC races. For information – [click here](#)
 - Printed copies of the RRS and Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 1 are no longer available at the office
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SailPASS



- Introduced for start of the 2019-2020 Sailing Season
- SailPass is a temporary membership that enables someone who is not a sailing member of an affiliated club to go sailing. To get a SailPass – [click here](#)
- Ensures all crew are affiliated with a club and complying with the racing rules and regulations
- Provides personal accident insurance
- For non-members, SailPass provides a flexible, accessible, easy & affordable introduction to sailing
- Online registration is mobile friendly
- Each MHYC boat that enters any series receives a code for 10 free SailPasses

MHYC Season 2020-2021

■ Saturday Keelboat Series

- Ocean Series (6 races / 6 days)
- Inshore Series (26 races / 21 days)
 - Adams 10 Inshore Series (22 races / 18 days)
 - PHS Inshore Series (26 races / 21 days)
 - IRC Inshore Series (16 races / 11 days)
 - Inshore Sprint Series (8 races / 4 days)
 - Includes 8 races over 6 days as part of the Combined Clubs Inshore Series (two short passage races will be held on two of these days)
 - Race Management frequency will be VHF 73 for the CCIS
 - Separate Sailing Instructions for the CCIS



MHYC Season 2020-2021

■ Saturday Keelboat Series

- Saturday Social Sailors (14 races / Clubhouse Pursuit)
- Feature Event Series (9 races / Clubhouse Pursuit)
- Each race will include a Two-Handed Division
- Winter Series (16 races / 12 days)
- Winter Sprint Series (8 races / 4 days)
- Winter Pursuit Series (4 races / Clubhouse Pursuit)
- Leading Edge (4 races / Clubhouse Pursuit)



MHYC Season 2020-2021

■ Midweek Keelboat Series

- Wednesday Non Spinnaker Pursuit (49 races)
- Courses for Divisions 1, 2 & 3 (Div. 3 currently not used)
- Thursday Twilight (24 races) includes Women's Twilight Series (6 races)
- Changes to Thursday Twilight Courses
- Separate courses for Divisions 1 & 2
- All courses re-numbered
- *Addition of SI 4.4 If a Committee Vessel displaying Code Flag "S" is stationed to the West of Grotto Point Lighthouse, boats shall finish between the Committee Vessel and Grotto Point Lighthouse.*



MHYC Season 2020-2021

■ Charity & Corporate Regatta Program (Fridays)

- February 12 – RFI Spurious Challenge Charity Regatta TBC
- February 26 – SAP Redkite Charity Regatta TBC
- March 12 – ASX Refinitiv Charity Regatta (rescheduled from Nov 13)



MHYC Season 2020-2021

■ Feature Events

- September 5 – Commodore's Front Up! Cup
- October 10 - Harbour Trek
- November 28 - Seven Islands (SSORC) inc. Jeanneau Cup
- December 12 - Christmas Cup & Veterans Cup
- January 9 - January Cup & Two Handed Cup
- January 16 - Chaos Cup & Bedlam Point Cup inc. Jeanneau Cup
- April 25 – ANZAC Day Two Up Cup inc. Jeanneau Cup
- May 29 - Welcome to Winter
- July 17 - Christmas in July



MHYC Season 2020-2021

■ Centreboard Club Racing Program (Sundays)

- Oct 25 – March 28 – Club Championship (18 races / 6 days)

■ Centreboard Regatta Program

- December 10-13 – Sail Sydney International
- February 13 – SheSails Team Racing Regatta at MHYC
- February 14 – Optimist Traveller Series at MHYC



Online Entry

■ Top Yacht Entry System

- Entries for the 2020-2021 are now open – [click here](#)
- Discount entry for MHYC Members & Block Series Entries
- Discounted casual entries for online
- Sailing 10 Pass for discounted casual racing in any series
- Check or update your contact details (email and mobile) to enable notifications via Top Yacht Entry System (TES)
- COVIDSafe Crew Registration via Top Yacht opens on the Monday prior to each event – [click here](#)



Equipment Audits

■ Audit Procedure

- Audits will take place at a time pre-arranged through the MHYC Sailing Office subject to the availability of an accredited Equipment Auditor
- Bookings are essential – email sailing@mhyc.com.au
- Audits conducted outside of the Get Checked Days attract the following fees - \$50 for Categories 1-2, \$30 for Categories 3-4 and \$20 for Categories 5-7



Equipment Audits

■ Audit Procedure

- Equipment Audits shall only be completed on the official forms provided by AS and MHYC
- All gear shall be laid out for inspection ahead of the scheduled time. Where equipment is not adequately laid out, the Equipment Auditor may refuse the audit. The boat's 'Owner' or 'Person in Charge' and one crew member shall be in attendance during the audit



Equipment Audits

■ Documents to be submitted to the MHYC Sailing Office:

- Completed AS Special Regulations Audit Form
- Completed MHYC Requirements Form
- Copy of Current Insurance Policy
- Copy of Current Registration
- Class or Rating Certificates



MHYC Race Management

■ Race Management Volunteers

- Competitor's Race Management Scheme (Handbook p 34) – let Catherine or KJ know the preferred date/s your boat would like to provide a volunteer to assist the team
- Regatta weekends have a high demand for volunteers
- Take the time to help out, you would be surprised what you learn when you volunteer for race management
- On Water and Onshore roles, Saturdays, Sundays & Midweek
- Informal and formal training opportunities are available (race management & officiating, powerboat handling, radio operator etc.)



Reminders - Procedures

- ☐ Read the Notice of Race & Sailing Instructions
 - ☐ Notices to Competitors on [Keelboat Racing Noticeboard](#)
 - ☐ Check in at the Start Boat (NOR 18.1)
 - ☐ Do not sail through the finish line unless finishing (NOR 19.2)
 - ☐ Advise Race Committee if retiring (NOR 20)
 - ☐ A written incident report must be forward to RMS within 24 hours 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
 - ☐ Incident Report Form online ([MHYC](#) or [RMS](#) website)
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Reminders - Safety

- ☒ **NOW is the time to be training for on-water emergencies**
 - Man Overboard
 - Heavy Weather
 - All crew able to operate safety equipment

Reminders - Safety

- Yankee Flag can be displayed at Start Box or on Start Boat



Y Wear a personal flotation device (see [rule 40](#)).

PART 4

OTHER REQUIREMENTS WHEN RACING

*Part 4 rules apply only to boats **racing** unless the rule states otherwise.*

40 PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES

When flag Y is displayed with one sound before or with the warning signal, competitors shall wear personal flotation devices, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. When flag Y is displayed ashore, this rule applies at all times while afloat. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices.



Reminders - VHF Radios

- Important Safety Equipment required for Safety Audit
- NOR 11.5 - All keelboats competing in MHYC races shall monitor the race management VHF channel
- The MHYC Race Committee monitor and broadcast on **VHF 72** (Start Boat & Clubhouse Start Box)
- The Combine Clubs Inshore Series Race Committee monitor and broadcast on **VHF 73**
- Information and alerts may be broadcast before, during or after racing
- Ensure you can hear broadcasts in the cockpit
- MHYC Clubhouse and Tender Service uses **VHF 73**



Reminders – Sail Numbers

■ Ensure Race Management can identify your boat

MHYC Sailing By-Law 3 includes....*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.*



Skippers & Crew Meet & Greet

- Looking for crew for the new season?
 - Looking for a crew position?
 - A Meet and Greet evening will be scheduled at the earliest opportunity. Skippers looking for crew will outline the program for their yacht this season and give an indication of the type of crew they are seeking
 - In the meantime, Skippers & Crew can connect via <https://mysail.team>
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Thank you for your attendance



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