POINTSCORE and CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES 2017-2018
10 September 2017 to 25 March 2018
Notice of Race

RULES

1.1 The series will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017 - 2020 except for changes indicated in relevant paragraphs in this Notice of Race and in the Sailing Instructions.

1.2 The Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) will apply.

1.3 The event is Category 7.

1.4 Racing rule(s) 51 and 52 will be changed as follows:

A competitor may request permission from the Race Committee to use moveable and/or variable ballast for the purpose of increasing stability subject to a boat having been allocated a National yardstick / handicap / rating. Stored power maybe used for this operation. RRS 51 and 52 are modified to the extent required by this paragraph.

1.5 Rules of each competing class and the policies and procedures of the Canberra Yacht Club (CYC) will apply.

ADVERTISING

2.1 Advertising is permitted.

ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 The regatta is open to all boat types recognised by the current Australian Trailable Yacht & Sportsboat Rule (ATYSBR), Trailable yachts and Trailable multihulls with a CBH allocated by the CYC Sailing Committee; Sportsboats with a valid Sportboat Measurement System (SMS) rating and dinghy, keelboat and multihull classes with yardsticks listed by Yachting Victoria (YV).

3.2 Competitors may enter by completing and lodging an entry form and being a current CYC member or a casual entry for individual races. Competitors’ attention is drawn to the AS Prescriptions at RRS 46 regarding ‘person in charge’.

3.3 The Registration and Sign-On shall be completed between 90 minutes and 30 minutes before the first warning signal of the scheduled starting sequence. Failure to Sign-On will result in a Did Not Compete (DNC) for that race.

FEES

4.1 CYC membership for the 2017-2018 financial year covers the entry fee for this regatta.

4.2 Non-members will be required to pay a casual race fee of $15 for Trailable Yachts, International 2.4R and International Flying Fifteen classes, $10 per race for dinghies and catamaran and $5 per race for students.
4.3 Juniors (under 18 years as at 1 Oct 17) are exempt from an entry fee.

SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 The schedule of races is contained in the CYC Sailing Program 2017-2018 and the warning signal for the first Division shall be 1400 hours.

5.2 There will be one race per day (or two races for the Short Course race format) for the following Divisions:

- Division 1: International Flying Fifteens
- Division 2: Sportsboats
- Division 3: Trailable yachts / Trailable multihulls
- Division 4: Off the beach multihulls with VYC yardstick 83.5 and below
- Division 5: Off the beach multihulls with VYC yardstick above 84
- Division 6: Lasers (all variants)
- Division 7: Dinghies (excluding Lasers, Contenders and Optimists)
- Division 8: Contenders
- Division 9: Optimist and Sailability dinghies.

MEASUREMENTS

8.1 Each boat shall have a valid measurement / rating certificate which is to be produced on demand by any race official or protest committee member.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

9.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available from 1000 hours on 5 September 2017 at CYC.

COURSES

10.1 The courses to be sailed will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

SCORING

11.1 The Low Point System (Appendix A (RRS)) will apply. The calculation of Championship results for Division 2 will be based on SMS ratings. The calculation of Championship results for Division 3 will be based on the current Class Based Handicap (CBH) issued under the ATYSBR or a CBH previously allocated by the Sailing Committee to a trailable yacht or multihull. The calculation of Championship results for Divisions 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 will be based on the YV yardsticks, except that all International Flying Fifteens will sail off 109.

11.2 The Championship Series scoring will be as follows:
(a) When 6 or fewer races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores.
(b) When 7 or more races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst score.
This changes RRS Appendix A.

11.3 Calculation of Pointscore results for all Divisions will be derived using the Top Yacht Software applying current handicaps as progressively developed over the series in accordance with Club policy. The Pointscore Series results for Divisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 will be the best 18 of the 27 scheduled races from the Pointscore Series (8 on calendar), Short Course Series (10 on calendar) and Championship Series (9 on calendar) races. This changes RRS Appendix A.
11.4 Skippers who are rostered for race management duty will be given average points for their boat for that race from the races to count in each series as calculated by TopYacht Software. For the Championship Series only one such provision of an average score will be allowed for each competitor. This supplements RRS 62.1.

11.5 A boat that DNC, did not start, did not finish, retired or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place based on the number of boats entered in the race plus one. This changes RRS A4.2

**RADIO COMMUNICATION**

12.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

**PRIZES**

13.1 Prizes and trophies will be awarded in accordance with CYC policies and procedures.

**DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

14.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, 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 regatta.

**INSURANCE**

15.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of $5 million per event or the equivalent.

**FURTHER INFORMATION**

16.1 Contact Canberra Yacht Club telephone 6273 7177 or email at: admin@canberrayachtclub.com.au