



## MONJON

# J24 Victorian State Championships

## NOTICE OF RACE

The Organising Authority for this Regatta is the Sandringham Yacht Club Inc.

Sandringham Yacht Club Inc. (SYC) invites entries for J24 State Championships, to be held concurrently with Sydney 38 State Championships, to be sailed off Sandringham, Victoria on 18 and 19 April 2015.

### 1. RULES

- 1.1. All races will be governed by the current rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Yachting Australia (YA) and current SYC Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. J24 Class Rules (where applicable) unless otherwise stated, will apply.
- 1.3. YA prescriptions to Rule 46 apply to this regatta.

### 2. ALTERATION OF CLASS RULES

The rules of the International J24 Class 2013 are changed as follows:

- 2.1. Where a boat deviates from the rules of measurement on hull and rigging, such deviation may be considered legal when a class measurer is satisfied that the item in question is "as supplied by the licensed builder at the time of manufacture". The measurement certificate shall be endorsed appropriately by the class measurer.
- 2.2. Class rule 5.3 is changed as follows: A boat may sail with different crew on different days provided the crew changes are declared at registration. The number of declared crew shall remain the same throughout the regatta. Crew changes not declared at registration require advance written approval of the Race Committee and will only be approved in exceptional circumstances.

### 3. ADVERTISING

- 3.1. All competitors may be required to display Regatta sponsor's name / logo. The Class Association will supply these items and they shall be affixed and / or worn as prescribed in the Supplementary Sailing Instructions.

### 4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

The Championship is open to boats of the International J24 Class that comply with class rules and that fulfil the following requirements

- 4.1. Entry is open to all the J24 yachts owned and entered by a member of a Club affiliated to an MYA (Member Yachting Australia), and who is a member of MYA and Yachting Australia.
- 4.2. All competitors shall be members of MYA and an Australian J24 State Association. If membership is not paid for all crew/skippers- race results will not count, until all memberships are paid in full.
- 4.3. The owner of the J24 as shown on the measurement certificate shall be a member of their State Class Association.

- 4.4. The helmspersons nominated on the 'Entry Form' will be deemed to be in charge of the boat and no change of helmsperson shall be made without the written consent of the Race Committee.
- 4.5. Boats shall comply with Yachting Australia Special Regulations Safety Category 6 as stated in Clause 14 of this NOR and shall be insured as stated in Clause 15
- 4.6. Eligible boats must submit entries online via the website:

[www.syc.com.au/keelboat-racing/online-entries](http://www.syc.com.au/keelboat-racing/online-entries).

- 4.7. Entries after 1700hrs on Thursday, 16 April will be subject to a late entry fee.

## **5. ENTRY FEES**

- 5.1. Normal entry fee: \$155.00
- 5.2. Late Entry: \$205.00 for entries received after 1700hrs Thursday, 16 April.

## **6. REGISTRATION & MEASUREMENT**

- 6.1. Registration will be conducted at SYC Auditorium, on Friday 17 April 1200hrs - 1900hrs and Saturday 18 April between 0700hrs and 0800hrs.
- 6.2. The Organizing Authority or J24 National Association representative may conduct measurement and inventory checks of competing yachts at anytime, before, during and after racing. All Victorian boats must have their boats weighed during the set weighing day of 11 April, please contact Mark Houghton on 0409 558 793 for bookings. Alternate arrangements may be considered at the Measurers sole discretion.
- 6.3. Unmeasured sails shall be presented for measurement at the Sandringham Yacht Club prior to 1800hrs on Friday 17 April.
- 6.4. Crew weigh in will be from 1200hrs to 1900hrs on Friday 17 April and from 0700hrs to 0800hrs on Saturday 18 April at SYC Auditorium. All crew must be weighed prior to 0800hrs Saturday 18 April.
- 6.5. Boats may be checked for race weight before entry into water. All up racing weight is 1330kg.
- 6.6. A copy of the yachts' current measurement certificate, insurance certificate and inventory of required and optional equipment form shall be lodged at registration.

## **7. RACE FORMAT**

- 7.1. Format will be boat start, laid course fleet races.
- 7.2. The Regatta will be a Wet Regatta, and all boats must be in the water before 2100 hrs on Friday 17 April. Any exception must be approved by the Organising Authority.
- 7.3. Mooring overnight in the SYC marina at no cost is available for the nights of 17 & 18 April - please contact Paul Gascoigne, SYC Waterfront Manager on 03 9599 0923 or 0407 829 851.

## **8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 8.1. SYC Sailing Instructions will be available upon registration at SYC and will be available online on the SYC website and the National J24 website prior to the event from the Regatta Office - Auditorium.
- 8.2. Supplementary Sailing Instructions (SSI) may be issued on or prior to the day of racing.

## **9. RACING AREA**

- 9.1. The races will be conducted on Port Philip off Sandringham Yacht Club.

## 10. COURSES

- 10.1. Courses shall be as described in the Sailing Instructions.

## 11. RACE PROGRAM

- 11.1. Crew briefing will be held in the Auditorium at 0830hrs on Saturday 18 April.  
11.2. Race Schedule:

Race No.	Date	Warning Signal
1	Saturday 18 April	No earlier than 0955hrs
2	Saturday 18 April	At the completion of race 1
3	Saturday 18 April	At the completion of race 2
4	Saturday 18 April	At the completion of race 3
5	Sunday 19 April	No earlier than 0955hrs
6	Sunday 19 April	At the completion of race 5
7	Sunday 19 April	At the completion of race 6
8	Sunday 19 April	At the completion of race 7

- 11.3. No warning signal will be made after 1430hrs on Sunday 19 April 2015.  
11.4. The number of scheduled races is eight (8) of which three (3) shall be completed to constitute a regatta.  
11.5. There will be no resails after Sunday 19 April 2015.

## 12. SCORING

- 12.1. The Low Point scoring system, Appendix A of the RRS will apply, with no exclusions. This changes RRS A2.  
12.2. Eight (8) races are scheduled of which three (3) completed races are required to constitute the regatta. If 6 or more races are competed, each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with one exclusion.  
12.3. Performance Handicap System (PHS) results will be decided by application of the Time Correction Factor (TCF). The PHS TCF will be allocated by the Race Committee, may be recalculated between races and will not be subject to redress. This changes RRS 62.1 (a).

## 13. PRIZES

- 13.1. Results and prizes will be announced after the final race on Sunday 19 April in the SYC Off The Beach Area or members lounge if weather is inclement.  
13.2. Prizes will be awarded for boats placed first to third overall and first to third on PHS handicap

## 14. SAFETY

- 14.1. The safety category applicable to this regatta is YA Category 6. The safety declaration will not remain valid unless the boat, together with its safety equipment, is maintained in accordance with the requirements of the relevant safety category.  
14.2. Safety declaration shall be lodged by marking the applicable box on the on-line entry.  
14.3. All boats shall carry a working waterproof VHF radio capable of operating at least on channels 16, 67, 69, 71 73 and 77.

## 15. INSURANCE

- 15.1. All competing yachts shall have public liability insurance with racing endorsement for an amount of not less than Ten Million Dollars (AUD10,000,000).

## 16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 16.1. All those taking part in races conducted by SYC do so at their own risk and responsibility. SYC and the J24 Class Association is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.
- 16.2. SYC and the J24 Class Association is not responsible for any damage or injury, either ashore or at sea to persons or boats, which might result from participating in races conducted by SYC.
- 16.3. Competitor attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rules 3 and 4.

### **Fundamental Rule 3 – Acceptance of the Rules:**

“By participating in a race conducted under these Racing Rules, each competitor and boat owner agrees:

- (a) to be governed by the Rules;
- (b) to accept the penalties imposed and other action taken under the Rules, subject to appeal and review procedures provided in them, as the final determination of any matter arising under the Rules; and
- (c) with respect to any such determination, not to resort to any court of law or tribunal

### **Fundamental Rule 4 - Decision to Race:**

“The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.”

## 17. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- 17.1. Organized social events are:  
Friday 17 April: 1800hrs – 2100hrs - Drinks & Sausage at SYC Ken King Centre.  
  
Saturday 18 April: 1800hrs – 2300hrs - J24’s will be joining the SYC Centenary Trophy celebrations. Dinner and drinks available at club prices.  
  
Sunday 19 April: After Racing - Presentation & BBQ – SYC Lou Abrahams Off The Beach Area.

- 17.2. Additional information may be obtained from

Sandringham Yacht Club website [www.syc.com.au](http://www.syc.com.au)

National J24 Class Association website [www.j24.com.au](http://www.j24.com.au)

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