

SANDRINGHAM YACHT CLUB Inc.

Mercedes-Benz Brighton 'ONE DESIGN SPRINT SERIES' WINTER 2019

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organising Authority for this Series is Sandringham Yacht Club Inc.

Sandringham Yacht Club Inc. (SYC) invites entries for the 2019 Mercedes-Benz Brighton Winter One Design Sprint Series to be sailed from June until September off Sandringham.

1. RULES

All races will be governed by the rules as defined in the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), Prescriptions and Special Regulations of the Australian Sailing (AS) and SYC Sailing Instructions (SI).

1.1. SYC Membership Requirements and MemberPoint sign on

Before each race, SYC registered boats are required to sign on all their crew via the MemberPoint app. (MemberPoint > member services > crew sign on).

Failure to comply with this requirement will result in a penalty with the boat's race score being increased by 5 points, but not worse than the score for DSQ. All other boats' scores will remain the same. This changes RRS Rule 63.1 and appendix A.

Any boat that fails to meet this requirement more than three times in this Series is subject to a protest by the Race Committee.

1.2. RRS55 Trash Disposal

RRS 55 is amended by adding the following sentence to the rule: "However, discarding cotton, wool, or any other similar biodegradable material when setting a sail is permitted".

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

Entry is open to One Design keelboats that comply with the requisite safety category have completed their safety compliance declaration and have lodged their Man Overboard compliance form

Safety declaration shall be lodged by marking the applicable box on the on-line entry. A separate Man Overboard compliance declaration must be lodged with the SYC Boating Office and is available on the SYC web site.

Eligible boats may enter the series or individual race via the web at www.syc.com.au/keelboat-racing/online-entry/. Casual entries must be lodged with the SYC office by 1200hrs on the Saturday preceding the race. Late casual entries may be accepted subject payment of double the normal entry fee. Non-web entry forms are available from the boating department. Entries via telephone or radio will not be accepted.

3. ENTRY FEES

	J24	J/111	
Block Entry Sprint Series	\$70.00	\$35.00	
Casual Entry	\$15.00	\$15.00	

There will be no refund of casual entry payments for boats that subsequently apply for Series entry, nor any reduction in the Series Entry fee.

Entry fee for J24 boats which are members of the Victorian J24 Association will be paid by the Association.

4. RACE FORMAT

All races in the Series are sailed as fleet races with a mass start for each division. Races will be 'boat start, laid mark courses';

5. RACE PROGRAM

Day	Date	First Warning	Day	Date	First Warning
1	2 June*	0955	6	11 August*	0955
2	16 June	0955	7	25 August	0955
3	30 June	0955	8	8 September*	0955
4	14 July*	0955			
5	28 July	0955			

*J/111 race days

The races for a division may be abandoned for the day if there are less than 3 boats of that division that have signed on as required by SI18b prior to the Warning signal.

The Warning Signal for first race of the day is listed above, with subsequent races following on as soon as practicable. The target is for 3-4 races per day, each approximately 30-45min duration. There may be separate starts for each One Design class.

No warning signal will be made after 1230.

There shall be no resails on subsequent days.

For J24 boats ten races must be completed to constitute a series.

For J/111 boats six races must be completed to constitute a series.

6. DIVISIONS

Boats shall race in Divisions based on their One Design Class. A minimum of 5 entries per Division (4 entries for J/111) are required for that Division to be eligible to participate in the series.

7. DIVISION FLAGS

J24 – J24 class Flag J/111 – code Flag V

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

SYC Sailing Instructions are available from the SYC Office. The first copy for each boat is issued free but a fee will be charged for additional copies.

A Notice to Competitors may be issued on the day of racing. These will be available on the SYC web site and at the Ken King Centre before the race.

9. RACING AREA

The races will be conducted on Port Phillip off Sandringham Yacht Club.

10. COURSES

Courses will be as described in the Sailing Instructions or Notice to Competitors. Courses will be short windward-leeward configuration.

11. SCORING

Scoring shall be on the Low Point System described in Appendix A of the RRS. Each boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score/s for 30% of completed races to the nearest lower whole number. This changes RRS A2

J24 boats will be scored in One Design class and on Performance Handicap System (PHS). PHS handicaps will be allocated by the Race Committee for each race.

Boats that have sailed as casual entries that subsequently convert to series entry will not be scored in the series for races sailed prior to submission and payment of series entry fee.

12. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded for the boat placing first on the day based on all races sailed without exclusion, in OD class and on PHS, and will be presented in the Clubhouse after the day's racing.

Series winners in each division will be awarded a memento trophy.

13. SAFETY

The safety category applicable to this series is AS Category 6.

A declaration of compliance with safety requirements and Man Overboard form lodged from 1 October of a given year will remain valid until 31 of October the following year.

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.

Skippers of all boats must recognise the limitations of their vessel and withdraw from the race if weather conditions exceed Class Rules or design safety.

Skippers are reminded of RRS 4 - Decision to Race:

The responsibility for a boats decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.

The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for any material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the race.

14. INSURANCE

All competing yachts shall have public liability insurance for an amount of not less than Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000), with racing risk extension.

15. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information may be obtained from the SYC Office as follows:

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