SANDRINGHAM YACHT CLUB Inc.

Mercedes-Benz Brighton

SATURDAY SUMMER SERIES

NOTICE OF RACE
2016-2017

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

Sandringham Yacht Club Inc. (SYC)
invites entries for the Mercedes-Benz Brighton Saturday Summer Series
to be sailed from October to April on Port Phillip
1. **RULES.**
All races will be governed by the current rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), Prescriptions and Special Regulations of the Yachting Australia (YA)/Australian Sailing (AS) and SYC Sailing Instructions (SI).

A separate Club Marine Series (CMS) Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions will be issued by Yachting Victoria (YV)/Australian Sailing (AS); however, **entry is via the SYC web based entry system.**

1.1 **Membership Requirements**
YA/AS prescriptions to RRS Rule 46 and Rule 56 apply to this Series.

**SYC has introduced a complying day pass membership to enable skippers and crew to meet their RRS obligations.**

It shall be the responsibility of the person in charge of the boat to ensure that all crew on board for each race comply with these rules.

1.2 **MANUAL POWER**
RRS Rule 52 shall not apply.

2. **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY.**
Entry is open to all monohull 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 under Keel Boat Racing.

Eligible boats may enter for all events including the Club Marine Series via the web at [www.syc.com.au/keelboat-racing/online-entry](http://www.syc.com.au/keelboat-racing/online-entry): Boats may enter for all handicap and rating systems as part of the entry fee. Casual entries will be accepted up to 1200hrs on the Friday preceding the race. Late casual entries may be accepted in the Boating Department subject payment of double the normal entry fee. Telephone or radio entries will not be accepted.

**Club Marine Series** entry requirements are listed in the CMS Notice of Race available on the YV/AS website.

3. **ENTRY FEES.**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Series Entry</th>
<th>Casual Entry fee per race day</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Block Entry –including Round the Stix, Aggregate Series Entry, SYC Regatta, Australia Day Race and all trophy races (excludes CMS)</td>
<td>$110.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Club Marine Series – Divisions 0, 1, 2 and 3</td>
<td>$199.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Round the Stix Series only</td>
<td>$37.50</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Australia Day Race</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Additional LATE FEE of $50.00 applies to all block and series entry payments made after Saturday 15 October 2016.

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

The entry fee covers all handicaps and ratings.
4. **RACE FORMAT.**
All races are sailed as fleet races with a separate mass start for each division. Races may be ‘boat start, laid mark courses’, ‘boat start, club (fixed mark) courses’ or ‘tower start, club (fixed mark) courses’

5. **RACE PROGRAM.**
Refer Appendix A.

The start time for each race is stated in Appendix A. The Warning Signal for the first division starting will be 5 minutes prior to the time indicated.

The number of Club Aggregate Series races scheduled is 11 of which 5 must be completed to constitute a Series.

The number of Round the Stix races scheduled is 7 of which 3 must be completed to constitute a Series.

The number of Peter Taylor Trophy races scheduled is 2 of which 1 must be completed to constitute a Series.

There shall be no resails on subsequent days.

6. **HANDICAPS and RATINGS**
Performance (PHS) handicaps will be allocated by the Race Committee for each race.

AMS ratings will be those issued by the Rating Authority and current at 1600 on the Friday before the race.

IRC ratings will be those issued by the Rule Authority (YA/AS) and current at 1600 on the Friday before the race.

A boat without a valid rating will be scored DNS for that race in that division.

No alteration to the boat’s rating will be permitted after this date and the completion of the race, except as a result of a rating protest, or to correct rating office errors.

The Race Committee may make corrections to handicaps or ratings at any time.
This changes RRS Rule 78.

7. **DIVISIONS.**
   a) **Club Aggregate Series and Trophy Races**
Boats shall race in divisions according to their start of season PHS handicap based on the following guidelines:

- Division 1: above 0.890
- Division 2: 0.810 to 0.889
- Division 3: 0.600 to 0.809

Those boats with a starting PHS handicap between 0.870 and 0.910 may apply to the Race Committee for permission to sail in either Division 1 or 2.

Those boats with a starting PHS handicap between 0.790 and 0.830 may apply to the Race Committee for permission to sail in either Division 2 or 3.
b) **Saturday Round the Stix Series and Australia Day Race**
Boats shall race in divisions according to their start of season PHS performance handicap as follows:

- Division A  0.831 and above
- Division B  0.830 and below

The divisional break point of 0.830 may be varied by the Race Committee prior to the first race, or divisions may be combined into one based on number of initial entries.

Those boats with a starting PHS handicap +/-20 points of the break point may apply to the Race Committee for permission to sail in either Division A or B.

c) **Australia Day Race**
Allocation of divisions will be based on number of entries. Event Performance Handicaps will be allocated by the Race Committee.

**Note:** Notwithstanding the above guidelines, boats may be allocated to a division at the absolute discretion of the Race Committee. Depending on number of entries, the number of divisions may be reduced. The decision of the Race Committee will be final, and boats shall not change divisions thereafter.

Boats wishing to race on AMS or IRC rating only shall start with the PHS handicap division appropriate to their PHS handicap.

Group “K” Boats shall sail and be scored as a part of the appropriate PHS division. Their division flag will be that of the division in which they are entered.

8. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS.**
SYC Sailing Instructions are available from the SYC Office and are available on the SYC web site. The first copy for each boat is issued free but a fee will be charged for additional copies.

RBYC Sailing Instructions are available from the RBYC website and will apply to races conducted by RBYC.

Notice to Competitors may be issued on the day of racing. These and a day sheet with handicap listings will be available at the Ken King Centre before the race.

9. **RACING AREA.**
The races will be conducted on Port Phillip off as follows:
Club Marine Series – refer to CMS NoR for courses and start line location.
SYC races – off SYC.
RBYC hosted races – off RBYC.

10. **COURSES.**
Courses will be as described in the Sailing Instructions.

11. **SCORING.**
All races will be scored in AMS, IRC and PHS unless noted otherwise.

a) **Club Aggregate Series**
Each boat’s Series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score/s for 20% of completed races to the nearest lower whole number. This changes RRS A2.

Only the better score of the races 7A or 7B will be counted in the Series score.

Where multiple races are held as part of an event (e.g. Commodore-in Chief Trophy and Port Phillip Trophy), then the Series result shall be counted in the Club Aggregate Series.

b) **Peter Taylor Series**
The Peter Taylor Series Trophy will be scored in AMS divisions only, combined with RBYC (and other club) fleet(s), with no discards. This changes RRS Rule A2.
c) **Group “K”**
When Group “K” racing is abandoned for Series race 1 or 2, Group “K” boats shall be scored by allocating average points of the next 2 sailed races, rounded up to the nearest 0.1 point. When Group “K” racing is abandoned for later Series races, they shall be scored by allocating average points of all races sailed to date, rounded up to the nearest 0.1 point. This averaging shall not apply to scoring for Non-Series trophy races only.

d) **Casual entries**
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.

e) **Minimum entrants and minimum starters**
For a handicap or rating division to be scored there must be a minimum of 5 entries in that division. If there are less than 3 starters in a division, that division will not be scored for that race. For 11mOD class race to be scored for the Eddie Wall-Smith trophy, there must be a minimum of 3 entries and 2 starters.

12. **PRIZES.**

Prizes will be awarded for first place in each race of the Club Aggregate Series (and other Trophy events) and will be presented in the Clubhouse after each race.

Series and trophy winners will have their inscriptions added to the respective perpetual trophies and will be awarded a memento trophy. Trophies will be presented at the end of the series. Perpetual trophies shall remain in the clubhouse for display in the trophy cabinet.

a) **Club Captain’s Trophy**
The Club Captain’s Trophy will be awarded to SYC-registered keelboat with the lowest combined score, with no exclusions, in the Club Aggregate Series based on Measurement Rating(s) across all Divisions, calculated as follows:

For each race within the Club Aggregate Series, boat’s score will be calculated as follows:

Score = Place / Number of Starters within that Division and Rating.

Where there are insufficient starters in a measurement Division, then the starters in that race shall receive a score of 0.5. A boat that is a starter but then is DNF, DSQ, etc shall receive a score of 1.0. A boat that is entered within the Club Aggregate Series but does not start a race shall be given a score of 1.2. Series ties will be broken per RRS A8.

b) **Peter Taylor Trophy**
The Peter Taylor Series Trophy will be held at the club (limited to SYC or RBYC) with the most AMS winners across the divisions. E.g. if a RBYC boat wins Divisions 1 and 2, then the trophy will reside at RBYC for the ensuing year.

c) **Eddie Wall-Smith Trophy**
The Eddie Wall-Smith perpetual trophy will be awarded to the Club Aggregate Series winner of the 11 Metre One Design class, calculated on AMS results.
13. SAFETY.
The safety categories applicable to these races are as follows:

- Club races including Club Marine Series: YA/AS Category 6
- Passage races (in daylight hours): YA/AS Category 6+
- Races conducted after sunset: YA/AS Category 5N

Please note that additional safety items may also be stipulated in the Notice to Competitors for the event.

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

**K Class:**
In the event of a need to signal Group “K” Boats independent of the division in which they sail then the appropriate flags will be flown over the “K” flag. This could apply in the event of unsuitable weather conditions where group “K” racing is abandoned by flying the “N” over “A” over “K” flags.

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 parameters.

The Race Committee shall designate as group K boats entries in Category 6 Safety events that are limited by class rules or their design to lighter weather conditions under which they can sail than is normally the case for other keelboats, and the list will be posted on the Notice Board.

Skippers are reminded of RRS 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.

14. INSURANCE.
All competing yachts shall have public liability insurance for an amount of not less than Ten Million Dollars ($10,000,000).

15. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.
Additional information may be obtained from the SYC Office:

Telephone   (03) 9599 0907   Facsimile   (03) 9598 8109
E-mail       boating@syc.com.au   WEB Page   www.syc.com.au
Appendix A

2016 - 2017

Race Program

**OCTOBER 2016**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Event</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Sat 8</td>
<td>CMS Div 0,1,2,3 Club Marine Series # 1 RYCV @1330&lt;br&gt;S Round the Stix #1 @ 1400</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sat 15</td>
<td>A Club Aggregate Series # 1 - @ 1200&lt;br&gt;T A D McKenzie Cup – IRC&lt;br&gt;A D McKenzie Bell – YV&lt;br&gt;Southport Trophy – AMS&lt;br&gt;PT Heat 1 – Peter Taylor Trophy&lt;br&gt;(Fixed Marks long course at RBYC)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sat 22</td>
<td>A Club Aggregate Series # 2 @ 1400&lt;br&gt;T Commodore Trophy – Div 1&lt;br&gt;Vice Commodore Trophy – Div 2&lt;br&gt;Rear Commodore Trophy – Div 3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sat 29</td>
<td>T Benito’s Treasure @ 1400</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**NOVEMBER 2016**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Event</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Sat 5</td>
<td>CMS Div 0,1,2,3 Club Marine Series # 2 HBYC @ 1330&lt;br&gt;S Round the Stix #2 @ 1400</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sat 12</td>
<td>A Club Aggregate Series # 3 @ 1200&lt;br&gt;T Wyvern Cup – Div 1&lt;br&gt;Goggs Manning – Div 2&lt;br&gt;Sun Trophy – Div 3&lt;br&gt;PT Heat 2 - Peter Taylor Trophy&lt;br&gt;(Fixed marks, long course)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sat 19</td>
<td>T Kingston Trophy Slalom Race @ 1400</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sat 26</td>
<td>A Club Aggregate Series # 4 @ 1400&lt;br&gt;T Katoura Salver Trophy</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**DECEMBER 2016**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Event</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Sat 3</td>
<td>CMS Div 0,1,2,3 Club Marine Series # 3 RMYS @1330&lt;br&gt;S Round the Stix # 3 @ 1400</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sat 10</td>
<td>A Club Aggregate Series # 5 @ 1400&lt;br&gt;T First Division Trophy – Div 1&lt;br&gt;Dorothy Trophy – Div 2&lt;br&gt;Anonyma Trophy – Div 3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sat 17</td>
<td>T Le Cascadeur 2-handed Trophy @1400</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
**JANUARY 2017**

Sat 7  
S  Round the Stix # 4 @ 1400  
T  Captain Kuiken Teams Trophy

Sat 14  
**SYC Regatta**  
(Separate Notice of Race and Entry)  
AMS/IRC State Championships Day 1  
Performance Handicap  
North Sails Sydney 38 #5  
Monjon One Design #7  
No Extras Pursuit Start

Sat 28  
R  Australia Day Race @ 1400  
(Non-Trophy)

**FEBRUARY 2017**

Sat 4  
A  Club Aggregate Series # 6 @ 1400  
T  Ken King Trophy (YV only)

Sat 11  
CMS  Div 0,1,2,3 Club Marine Series # 4 RBYC @ 1330  
S  Round the Stix # 5 @ 1400

Sat 18  
A  Club Aggregate Series # 7A @ 1000  
T  Trophy Race – Long Distance Day/Night (YA/AS Category 5N)  
Tam O’Shanter (IRC) and Jisuma (AMS/YV) Trophy

Sat 25  
CMS  Div 0,1,2,3 Club Marine Series # 5 SYC @ 1330  
A  Challenge Keeping Cancer at Bay  
Club Aggregate Series # 7B

**MARCH 2017**

Sat 4  
A  Club Aggregate Series # 8 @ 1030  
T  Commodore-in Chief Trophy  
(multiple short courses)

A  Club Aggregate Series # 9 ( Immediately after)  
T  Port Phillip Trophy

Sat 18  
CMS  Div 0,1,2,3 Club Marine Series #6 SYC @ 1330  
S  Round the Stix # 6 @ 1400  
T  SYC Cup

Sat 25  
A  Club Aggregate Series #10 @ 1200  
T  JJ Jarold Trophy (Multiple Short Courses)

**APRIL 2017**

Sat 1  
A  Club Aggregate Series # 11 @ 1400  
T  Roy Hoffert Trophy

Sat 8  
CMS  Div 0,1,2,3 Club Marine Series #7 RMYS @ 1330  
S  Round the Stix # 7 @ 1400
NOTE: There are separate NoR’s for the following:
- YV Club Marine Series
- SYC Trophy Regatta

NOTE: CMS – Club Marine Series – 7 race days
   A – SYC Aggregate Series – 10 race days, 11 races
   S – Round the Stix – 7 race days
   R - Australia Day Race - 1 race
   T – Trophy Races - 16 races
   PT – Peter Taylor Trophy (with RBYC and other clubs) - 2 race days
Total 26 race days