



Mercedes-Benz  
Brighton



Saturday Racing

**SANDRINGHAM YACHT CLUB Inc.**

**Mercedes-Benz Brighton**

**SATURDAY SUMMER SERIES**

**NOTICE OF RACE  
2019-2020**

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

A separate Range Series Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions will be issued by Australian Sailing; however, **entry is via the SYC web based entry system.**

### 1.1 SYC MEMBERSHIP

All persons on board shall be either a member of SYC or comply with SYC's Day Membership requirements through the Sail Pass Scheme.

### 1.2 MANUAL POWER

RRS Rule 52 shall not apply. Self-steering equipment is allowed for the Two Handed division only.

### 1.3 TRASH DISPOSAL

RRS Rule 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 all monohull keelboats that comply with the requisite safety category, have completed their safety compliance declaration and have lodged their Man Overboard compliance form.

A boat shall lodge their safety declaration by marking the applicable box on the on-line entry. A separate Man Overboard compliance declaration (including the strongly recommended use of a water rescue training dummy for MOB recovery) must be lodged with the SYC Boating Office and is available on the SYC web site under Keelboat Racing.

Eligible boats may enter for all events including the Range 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 1200 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.

**Range Series** entry requirements are listed in the Range Series Notice of Race available on the AS website.

## 3. ENTRY FEES

	<b>Series Entry</b>	<b>Casual Entry fee per race day</b>
Block Entry –includes Round the Stix, Aggregate Series and all trophy races (excludes Range Series)	\$110.00	\$20.00
Range Series (Separate NOR)	\$215.00	\$35.00
Round the Stix Series only	\$40.00	\$20.00

**Additional LATE FEE of \$50.00 applies to all block and series entry payments made after Saturday 19 October 2019.**

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.

The entry fees are waived for boat owners with a minimum of 10 years of SYC full membership entering SYC events only. Fees are not waived for the Range Series.

#### 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*' or '*boat start, club (fixed mark) courses*'.

Races using '*tower start, club (fixed mark) courses*' will be advised via Notice to Competitors (NTC).

#### 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 races scheduled is 10 of which 5 must be completed to constitute a Series.

The number of Round the Stix races scheduled is 8 of which 4 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.

Aggregate races that have been abandoned may be re-sailed on the following days:

- a) Resail day 1 – Saturday 30 November 2019 at 1200
- b) Resail day 2 – Saturday 4 April 2020 at 1200

Boats will be advised of races to be re-sailed by SMS, Member Point app, on SYC website and/or by NTC by 1700 on Tuesday before the resail day.

#### 6. HANDICAPS and RATINGS

Performance (PHS) handicaps will be allocated by the Race Committee for each race, and adjustments made in line with YV Performance Handicap Rules.

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

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

Unless otherwise stated in the Notice to Competitors, the IRC Non-Spinnaker rating and the AMS Non-Spinnaker or Two Handed ratings are not permitted to be used.

A boat without a valid rating will be scored DNC 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 0.901
- Division 2    0.826    to 0.900
- Division 3    0.600    to 0.825

Those boats with a starting PHS handicap between 0.885 and 0.915 may apply to the Race Committee for permission to sail in either Division 1 or 2.

Those boats with a starting PHS handicap between 0.810 and 0.840 may apply to the Race Committee for permission to sail in either Division 2 or 3.

**b) Saturday Round the Stix Series**

Boats shall race in divisions according to their start of season PHS performance handicap as follows:

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| • Division A                             | 0.831 and above |
| • Division B                             | 0.830 and below |
| • Division B - Non-Spinnaker (No Extras) | All             |
| • Division C – Two Handed                | All             |

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

**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.

Boats assigned to Group “K” by the RC 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. The Group “K” eligibility criteria and assigned boat list will be posted on the Notice Board.

**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 Boating Office before the race.

**9. RACING AREA**

The races will be conducted on Port Phillip as follows:

Range Series – refer to Range Series NoR and SI’s 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. Non-Spinnaker boats will be scored in PHS only.

**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 Rule A2.1.

Only the better score of the races 6A or 6B 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 that event result shall be counted in the Club Aggregate Series. These events shall be scored as a regatta per RRS Rule A2, with no exclusions. Ties will be broken in favour of the boat with lower total corrected time. This changes RRS Rule A8.

**b) Attendance at Major Championships**

A boat that intends to compete in an AS sanctioned national or state championship, or any other race that the RC may nominate as a significant race, may, not less than seven days prior to the event, apply in writing to the RC to receive average points for the Club Aggregate race missed.

The approval for the award of average points shall be at the sole discretion of the RC and is not subject to request for redress. The average points shall only be awarded to boats that actually compete in the designated race/s. A delay of boat works, transport or other non-racing events shall not be grounds for obtaining average points.

The missed race(s) will be scored by allocating average points of all races sailed in the series, rounded up to the nearest 0.1 point. This averaging shall apply to scoring for Aggregate races only.

**c) 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 A2.1.

**d) Round the Stix Series**

Each boat's Series score will be in accordance with RRS Rule A2. A separate score will be calculated for Non-Spinnaker boats, sailing as part of Div B.

**e) Two Handed Series**

Each boat's Series score will be in accordance with RRS Rule A2,

**f) Group "K"**

When Group "K" race is abandoned, Group "K" boats will be scored for that race by allocating average points of all races sailed in the series, rounded up to the nearest 0.1 point. This averaging shall not apply to scoring for Non-Series trophy races.

**g) 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.

**h) Minimum entrants**

For a handicap or rating division to be scored there must be a minimum of 5 entries in that division, with minimum of 3 entries in the Two Handed and Non-Spinnaker divisions.

**12. PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded for first place in each race and will be presented in the Clubhouse after the day's racing.

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.

Only SYC-registered boats with the lowest series score in a handicap/rating in a Division of the club aggregate races will be awarded the title of Club Champion.

**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.

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 Rule 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.

**13. SAFETY**

The safety categories applicable to these races are as follows:

Club races including Range Series/Passage races (in daylight hours) **AS Category 6**

Two Handed races **AS Category 6**, both crews shall wear a lifejacket at all times

Races conducted partially or wholly during hours of darkness **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.

**Group K:** 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 are reminded of RRS Fundamental Rule 4 - Decision to Race:

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

The Organising 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:

Telephone	(03) 9599 0907	Facsimile	(03) 9598 8109
E-mail	<a href="mailto:boating@syc.com.au">boating@syc.com.au</a>	WEB Page	<a href="http://www.syc.com.au">www.syc.com.au</a>

## Appendix A

## 2019 - 2020 Race Program

### OCTOBER 2019

Sat 12	T	Captain Kuiken Teams Trophy @ 1400
Sat 19	N S	Range Series # 1 RYCV @ 1330 Round the Stix #1 @ 1400
Sat 26	A T	Club Aggregate Series # 1 @ 1400 Commodores Trophy – Div 1 Vice Commodores Trophy – Div 2 Rear Commodores Trophy – Div 3

### NOVEMBER 2019

Sat 2	T	Benito's Treasure @ 1400
Sat 9	N S	Range Series # 2 HBYC @1330 Round the Stix # 2 @ 1400
Sat 16	T	Kingston Trophy Slalom Race @ 1400
Sat 23	A T  PT	Club Aggregate Series # 2 @ 1200 Wyvern Cup – Div 1 Goggs Manning – Div 2 Sun Trophy – Div 3 Heat 1 - Peter Taylor Trophy (Fixed marks, at RBYC, long course)
Sat 30	A T	Aggregate Re-sail Day #1 @1200 (if required) Club Aggregate Series # 3 @ 1400 First Division Trophy – Div 1 Dorothy Trophy – Div 2 Anonyma Trophy – Div 3

### DECEMBER 2019

Sat 7	N S	Range Series # 3 RMYS @ 1330 Round the Stix # 3 @ 1400
Sat 14	A T  PT	Club Aggregate Series # 4 @ 1200 A D McKenzie Cup – IRC A D McKenzie Bell – PHS Southport Trophy – AMS Heat 2 – Peter Taylor Trophy <b>(Fixed Marks, at SYC, long course)</b>
Sat 21	T	Le Cascadeur 2-handed Trophy @1400

### JANUARY 2020

Sat 11	S	Round the Stix # 4 @ 1400
Sat 18	A T	Club Aggregate Series #5A @ 1200 JJ Jarold Trophy (Multiple Short Courses)

**FEBRUARY 2020**

<b>Sat 1</b>	A T	Club Aggregate Series # 6 @ 1400 Ken King Trophy (PHS Only)
<b>Sat 8</b>	N S	Range Series # 4 RBYC @ 1330 Round the Stix # 5 @ 1400
<b>Sat 15</b>	A T	Club Aggregate Series # 7 @ 1400 Katoura Salver Trophy
<b>Sat 22</b>	A T	Club Aggregate Series # 5B @ <b>1800</b> Trophy Race – Long Distance Day/Night (AS Category 5N) Tam O'Shanter (IRC) and Jisuma (AMS/PHS) Trophy
<b>Sat 29</b>	N S	Range Series # 5 SYC @ 1330 Challenge Keeping Cancer at Bay Round the Stix # 6 @ 1400

**MARCH 2020**

<b>Sat 14</b>	N T S	Range Series #6 SYC @ 1330 SYC Cup Round the Stix # 7 @ 1400
<b>Sat 21</b>	A T	Club Aggregate Series # 8 @ 1030 Commodore-in Chief's Trophy (multiple short courses)
	A T	Club Aggregate Series # 9 (Immediately after) Port Phillip Trophy
<b>Sat 28</b>	N S	Range Series # 7 RYCV @ 1330 Round the Stix # 8 @ 1400

**APRIL 2020**

<b>Sat 4</b>	A T	Re-sail Day #2 @1200 (if required) Club Aggregate Series # 10 @ 1400 Roy Hoffert Trophy
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