



Mercedes-Benz  
Brighton



Saturday Racing

**SANDRINGHAM YACHT CLUB Inc.**

**Mercedes-Benz Brighton**

**SATURDAY SUMMER SERIES**

**NOTICE OF RACE  
2021**

The Organising Authority is Sandringham Yacht Club Inc.

Sandringham Yacht Club Inc. (SYC)  
invites entries for the Mercedes-Benz Brighton Saturday Summer Series  
to be sailed from January to May.

## 1. RULES

- 1.1. All races will be governed by the Rules as defined in World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), Prescriptions and Special Regulations (SR) of the Australian Sailing (AS) and SYC Sailing Instructions (SI's).
- 1.2. All persons on board shall be either a member of SYC or comply with SYC's day membership requirements through the Sail Pass scheme.

## 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. Entry is open to all monohull keelboats that comply with SR Part 1 category 5 (5N for Aggregate race 1B) and have lodged their Man Overboard (MOB) compliance declaration and SR Equipment Audit form.
- 2.2. Eligible boats may enter for all events including the Range Series via [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. Casual entries will be accepted up to up to two hours before the race.
- 2.3. A separate Range Series Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions will be issued by Range Series Organising Authority; however, entry is via the SYC web-based entry system. Range Series entry requirements are listed in the Range Series Notice of Race available on the Range Series website at <https://www.revolutionise.com.au/nms/home/>
- 2.4. A MOB compliance declaration (including the strongly recommended use of a water rescue training dummy for MOB recovery) which has been carried out after 1 September 2020 and the Equipment Audit form, signed by the person in charge, must be lodged with the SYC Boating Office prior to 31 January 2021 or a boat's first race of the season, whichever is later. These forms are available on the SYC website at [www.syc.com.au/safety/](http://www.syc.com.au/safety/) or from the SYC Boating Office.

## 3. ENTRY FEES

|   | <b>Series Entry</b>         | <b>Casual Entry<br/>fee per race<br/>day</b> |
|---|-----------------------------|--|
| Block Entry –includes Round the Stix, Aggregate Series and all trophy races (excludes Range Series) | \$99.00                     | \$15.00                                      |
| Range Series (Separate NOR)   | As detailed in<br>Range NOR | As detailed<br>in Range<br>NOR               |
| Round the Stix Series only  | \$25.00                     | \$15.00                                      |

- 3.1. 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.
- 3.2. The entry fee covers all handicaps and ratings.
- 3.3. The entry fees are waived for boat owners with a minimum of 10 years of SYC full membership entering SYC events only.
- 3.4. The entry fees are not waived for the Range Series.

## 4. RACE FORMAT

- 4.1. 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'.
- 4.2. Races using 'tower start, club (fixed mark) courses' will be advised via Notice to Competitors (NTC).
- 4.3. Double-Handed (DH) Round the Stix races will be 'tower start, club (fixed mark) courses'.

## 5. RACE PROGRAM

Refer Appendix A.

- 5.1. The start time for each race is stated in Appendix A. The Warning Signal for the first division starting will be no earlier than 5 minutes prior to the time indicated.
- 5.2. The number of Aggregate races scheduled is 10, of which 5 must be completed to constitute a series.
- 5.3. The number of Round the Stix races scheduled is 5 of which 2 must be completed to constitute a series.
- 5.4. The number of Peter Taylor Trophy races scheduled is 2 of which 1 must be completed to constitute a series.
- 5.5. Aggregate races that have been abandoned may be re-sailed on Saturday 17 April 2021 at 1200.
- 5.6. 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

- 6.1. Performance (PHS) handicaps will be allocated by the Race Committee for each race, and adjustments made in line with YV Performance Handicap Rules.
- 6.2. AMS ratings will be those issued by the Rating Authority (YRSA) and current at 1600 on the Friday before the race.
- 6.3. IRC ratings will be those issued by the Rule Authority (AS) and current at 1600 on the Friday before the race.
- 6.4. ORC (Club and International) ratings will be those issued by the Rule Authority (AS) and current at 1600 on the Friday before the race.
- 6.5. No alteration to the boat's rating will be permitted after 1600 on the Friday before the race and the end of the race, except as a result of a rating protest, or to correct rating office errors.
- 6.6. Unless otherwise stated in the Notice to Competitors, Non-Spinnaker and Double-Handed ratings are not permitted to be used.
- 6.7. A boat without a valid rating will be scored DNC for that race in that division.
- 6.8. The Race Committee may make corrections to handicaps or ratings at any time. This changes RRS 78.

## 7. DIVISIONS

### 7.1. Club Aggregate Series and Trophy Races

- 7.1.1. 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

- 7.1.2. 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.
- 7.1.3. 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.

## 7.2. Saturday Round the Stix Series

7.2.1. 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 – Double Handed             | All             |

7.2.2. 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.

7.2.3. 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

7.3. 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.

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

7.5. Boats assigned to Group "K" by the Race Committee shall sail and be scored as a part of the appropriate PHS division. Their divisional 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

8.1. 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.

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

8.3. Notice to Competitors may be issued on the day of racing. These and handicap listings will be available on the Official Noticeboard before the race.

## 9. RACING AREA

The races will be conducted on Port Phillip as follows:

SYC races – off SYC.

RBYC hosted races – off RBYC

Range Series – refer to Range Series NoR and SI's for courses and start line location.

## 10. COURSES

Courses will be as described in the Sailing Instructions.

## 11. SCORING

- 11.1. All races will be scored in AMS, IRC, ORC and PHS unless noted otherwise. Non-Spinnaker boats will be scored in PHS only.
- 11.2. **Club Aggregate**
  - 11.2.1. Each boat's Aggregate score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score/s for 25% of completed races to the nearest lower whole number. This changes RRS A2.1.
  - 11.2.2. Only the better score of the races 1A or 1B will be counted in the Aggregate score.
  - 11.2.3. 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. These events shall be scored as a regatta per RRS A2, with no exclusions. Ties will be broken in accordance with RRS A8, except that RRS A8.2 is amended as follows: If a tie remains between two or more boats after the application of RRS A8.1, the tie shall be broken in favour of the boat with the lower total corrected time.
- 11.3. **Attendance at Major Championships**
  - 11.3.1. A boat that intends to compete in an AS sanctioned national or state championship, or any other race that the Race Committee may nominate as a significant race, may, not less than seven days prior to the event, apply in writing to the Race Committee to receive average points for the Club Aggregate race missed.
  - 11.3.2. The approval for the award of average points shall be at the sole discretion of the Race Committee 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.
  - 11.3.3. 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.
- 11.4. 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 A2.1.
- 11.5. Each boat's Series score will be in accordance with RRS A2. A separate score will be calculated for Non-Spinnaker boats, sailing as part of Div B.
- 11.6. Each boat's Series score will be in accordance with RRS A2,
- 11.7. 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.
- 11.8. 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 of their series entry.
- 11.9. For a handicap or rating division to be scored there must be a minimum of 4 entries in that division.

## 12. PRIZES

- 12.1. Prizes will be awarded to first place in each scoring division of the races sailed and will be presented in the Clubhouse after the day's racing.
- 12.2. Aggregate prizes and Trophies will not be awarded in the ORC division - this rating is used in summer 2021 for scoring trial purposes only.
- 12.3. Aggregate 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.
- 12.4. Only SYC-registered boats with the lowest series score in a handicap/rating in a Division (excluding ORC) of the club aggregate races will be awarded the title of Club Champion.
- 12.5. **Club Captain's Trophy**
  - 12.5.1. The Club Captain's Trophy will be awarded to a 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:
  - 12.5.2. 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.
  - 12.5.3. 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.
- 12.6. 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. ADDITIONAL SAFETY ITEMS

- 13.1. **Double Handed races** - both crew shall wear automatic inflatable lifejackets at all times, have jackstays installed and tethers ready for use. When flag Y is flown, use of tethers is mandatory.
- 13.2. **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.

## 14. DISCLAIMER

- 14.1. All those taking part in races conducted by Sandringham Yacht Club Inc. do so at their own risk and responsibility. Sandringham Yacht Club, its staff, officers and volunteers accept no responsibility whatsoever for the seaworthiness of boats whose entries are accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.
- 14.2. Attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 3: **The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.**
- 14.3. Sandringham Yacht Club, its staff, officers and volunteers accept no responsibility whatsoever for loss or damage to boats or equipment or personal injury or death associated with races conducted by the Club.

**15. 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.

**16. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Additional information may be obtained from the SYC Office:

Telephone: (03) 9599 0907    E-mail: [boating@syc.com.au](mailto:boating@syc.com.au)    WEB Page: [www.syc.com.au](http://www.syc.com.au)

## Appendix A

## 2021 Race Program

### January 2021

Sat 9            A  
                  T            Club Aggregate #1A @ 1200  
                                 JJ Jarold Trophy (Multiple Short Courses)

Sat 16           A  
                  T            Club Aggregate #2 @ 1400  
                                 Commodores Trophy – Div 1  
                                 Vice Commodores Trophy – Div 2  
                                 Rear Commodores Trophy – Div 3

Sat 23                                   Stand-alone Round the Stix race @1400

Sat 30            A  
                  T            Club Aggregate #3 @ 1400  
                                 First Division Trophy – Div 1  
                                 Dorothy Trophy – Div 2  
                                 Anonyma Trophy – Div 3

### February 2021

Sat 6            DH  
                  RR  
                  S            Double Handed Series #1 @ 1100  
                                 Range Series #1 RYCV @ 1330  
                                 Round the Stix #1 @ 1400

Sat 13            A  
                  T            Club Aggregate #4 @ 1200  
                                 Ken King Trophy (PHS Only)

                  A  
                  T            Club Aggregate #5 Immediately After  
                                 Katoura Salver

Sat 20            A  
                  T            Club Aggregate #1B @ 1800  
                                 Trophy Race – Long Distance Day/Night (AS Category 5N)  
                                 Tam O'Shanter (IRC) and Jisuma (AMS/PHS) Trophy

Sat 27            DH  
                  RR  
                                 Double Handed Series #2 @ 1100  
                                 Range Series #2 SYC @ 1330  
                                 Challenge Keeping Cancer at Bay and Victorian Rating  
                                 Championship (TBC)  
                  S            Round the Stix #2 @ 1400

### March 2021

Sat 13            DH  
                  RR  
                  T            Double Handed Series #3 @ 1100  
                                 Range Series #3 RMYS @ 1330  
                                 Round the Stix # 3 @ 1400

Sat 20            A  
                  T            Club Aggregate #6 @ 1030  
                                 Commodore-in Chief's Trophy  
                                 (multiple short courses)  
                  A  
                  T            Club Aggregate #7 (Immediately after)  
                                 Port Phillip Trophy

Sat 27            DH  
                  RR  
                  S            Double Handed Series #4 @ 1100  
                                 Range Series # 4 HBYC @ 1330  
                                 Round the Stix # 4 @ 1400



**APRIL 2021**

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|--------|---------------|--|
| Sat 10 | DH<br>RR<br>S | Double Handed Series #5 @ 1100<br>Range Series Resail Day (if required)<br>Round the Stix # 5 @01400 |
| Sat 17 | A<br>T        | Re-sail day (if required) @ 1200<br>Club Aggregate #8 @ 1400<br>Roy Hoffert Trophy                   |

**MAY 2021**

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| Sat 1  | A<br>T<br><br>PT | Club Aggregate #9 @ 1200<br>Wyvern Cup – Div 1<br>Goggs Manning – Div 2<br>Sun Trophy – Div 3<br>Heat 1 - Peter Taylor Trophy<br>(Fixed marks, with RBYC, long course)          |
| Sat 8  | T                | Kingston Trophy Slalom Race @1400   |
| Sat 15 | A<br>T<br><br>PT | Club Aggregate #10 @ 1200<br>A D McKenzie Cup – IRC<br>A D McKenzie Bell – PHS<br>Southport Trophy – AMS<br>Heat 2 – Peter Taylor Trophy<br>(Fixed Marks, at RBYC, long course) |

RR – Range Races  
A – Aggregate Races  
S – Round the Stix Races  
DH – Double Handed  
T – Trophy Races  
PT – Peter Taylor Trophy