



SANDRINGHAM YACHT CLUB Inc.

2023/24 OFF THE BEACH SERIES

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organising Authority is the Sandringham Yacht Club Inc.

Sandringham Yacht Club Inc. (SYC) invites entries for the Spring, Twilight, Autumn & Winter Series to be sailed off Sandringham.

1. RULES

- 1.1. All series will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) Addendum A Part 2, and the current class rules for the competing classes and by the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, applies for all series.
- 1.3. **SYC Membership**
All persons on board shall be either a member of SYC or comply with SYC's Sail Membership requirements through the Sail Pass Scheme.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. Entry is open to all OTB classes.
- 2.2. Eligible SYC members may enter via the web at <https://syc.com.au/on-water/off-the-beach/online-entry/>. Boats who have not registered will not be scored.
- 2.3. Non-members shall enter via the web at <https://syc.com.au/on-water/off-the-beach/online-entry/> and pay the relevant fee. All non-members entering and paying the casual entry fee online must still comply with CI 2.4.
- 2.4. **SYC has introduced a complying Sail Pass Membership to enable visiting skippers and crew to meet their RRS obligations.** Information on how to purchase a Sail Pass and the policy can be found at <http://syc.com.au/membership/admission-process/sail-pass-membership/>. For assistance, please see the SYC Boating Office.
- 2.5. Any non-members who have paid the casual entry fee will be issued a free coupon for the Sail Pass via the SYC Boating Office.

3. ENTRY FEES

- 3.1. The entry fee is waived for all SYC members.
- 3.2. The entry fees for non-SYC member boats is \$15 per race day.

4. RACE PROGRAM

Spring Aggregate

Race Day	Date	Race Day	Date	Race Day	Date
1	1 October 2023	2	8 October	3	15 October
4	29 October	5	12 November	6	19 November
7	26 November	8	3 December	9	17 December

Twilight Series

Race Day	Date	Race Day	Date	Race Day	Date
1	6 October 2023	2	13 October	3	27 October
4	10 November	5	17 November	6	24 November
7	1 December	8	8 December	9	15 December
10	2 February 2024	11	9 February	12	16 February
13	23 February	14	1 March		

Autumn Aggregate

Race Day	Date	Race Day	Date	Race Day	Date
1	4 February 2024	2	11 February	3	18 February
4	25 February	5	3 March	6	17 March
7	24 March				

Winter Series

Race Day	Date	Race Day	Date	Race Day	Date
1	21 April 2024	2	28 April	3	5 May
4	19 May	5	26 May	6	2 June

Winter Sailing

Race Day	Date	Race Day	Date	Race Day	Date
1	23 June 2024	2	7 July	3	21 July
4	4 August	5	18 August	6	15 September

4.1. The Warning Signal for each series is as follows:

Series	Warning Signal
Spring Series	No earlier than 1400
Autumn Series	No earlier than 1400
Twilight Series	No earlier than 1800
Winter Series	No earlier than 1300
Winter Sailing	No earlier than 1300

4.2. A maximum of three (3) races per day will be counted to the series scores.

4.3. There shall be no re-sails.

5. DIVISIONS

Boats shall race in Divisions as described in the OTB Sailing Instructions 2023-24.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The 2023-24 OTB Sailing Instructions will be available from the Club website at <https://syc.com.au/on-water/off-the-beach/race-documents/>

7. RACING AREA

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

8. COURSES

Courses will be as described in the SYC Sailing Instructions.

9. PRIZES

- 9.1. Prizes will be awarded to the boats placing first, second and third in each Series. These prizes will be presented at the OTB Presentation Night. The trophies for the 2024 Winter Series will be awarded at the 2024/25 OTB Presentation Night.
- 9.2. Visitors are not eligible to receive series scores or trophies.

10. SAFETY

All competitors are responsible for the sea worthiness of their own boat. Competitors must wear appropriate PFD's at all times and must comply with the sign on/off requirements of the Sailing Instructions.

11. LIABILITY

- 11.1. 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.
- 11.2. 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.**
- 11.3. 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.

12. INSURANCE

All competing yachts shall have Third Party insurance for an amount of not less than Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000).

13. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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

Telephone	(03) 9599 0922
E-mail	boating@syc.com.au
Website	www.syc.com.au