



Hobson's Bay Yacht Club

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2011 – 2012 HBYC Two Handed Series

NOTICE OF RACE

Introduction

Hobson's Bay Yacht Club Inc. as the Organizing Authority advises that the 2011 - 2012 HBYC Two Handed Series will be conducted between the 16 October 2011 and the 01 April 2012.

All races will be conducted on the waters of Port Phillip. The following conditions of entry shall apply.

1 Responsibility and Indemnity

Unless otherwise stated, races shall be conducted under Category 5 of Yachting Australia Special Regulations Part 1, 2009-2012 Racing Rules of Sailing.

All those taking part in the 2011 – 2012 HBYC Two Handed Series do so at their own risk and responsibility and are responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted and for the sufficiency and adequacy of its equipment.

HBYC, its servants or volunteers shall NOT accept liability or responsibility whatsoever for death or any personal or material damage sustained by participants before, during or after any event.

Attention is drawn to ISAF Rule 4, which states "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue is hers alone."

2 Rules

The 2011 - 2012 HBYC Two Handed Series will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) for 2009-2012, the Prescriptions and Special Regulations of the Yachting Australia (YA), the handicapping rules for the Performance Based Handicapping System (Y.V. where applicable), the handicapping rules for the Australian Measurement System (AMS, where applicable), the handicapping rules for the International Racing Certificate (IRC, where applicable) and, the Rules of the relevant Classes, except as any of these is changed by this Notice of Race and by the Sailing Instructions.

2.1 Advertising

The Series is classified as a Category C event in accordance with RRS 80 and ISAF Regulation 20 and the Prescriptions of Y.A. thereto as amended from time to time.

Boats shall, if required by the Race Committee, display in locations specified any logos, pennants or promotional material as may be supplied.

2.2 Resails

There will be no resails in this Series.

2.3 Handicapping / Divisions

Performance Handicaps – "Local Handicaps"

All handicaps are as supplied by the official club handicapper at the boat's home club.

The HBYC Handicapper reserves the right to revise any handicap during the Series, and to make the changed handicap retrospective if required.

Boat Owners/Skippers are reminded of their obligations under Rule 2 of the Y.V. Handicapping rules. Handicaps will be revised between races in accordance with the HBYC Two Handed Handicapping Rules.

Handicaps will be determined by the Race Committee and shall not be subject to protest. This changes RRS 60.1 (b), 60.2 (b) and RRS 62.

AMS Division

Time on time results will be calculated for boats competing in Performance Divisions as detailed above, where a valid AMS Certificate is submitted.

These results will be calculated from the elapsed time obtained in each Performance Handicap Division.

Skippers are reminded that they must use the sail configuration as outlined in their AMS Certificate.

A copy of a valid measurement or rating certificate (where applicable) as issued by the appropriate authority shall be made available on request.

IRC Division

Time on time results will be calculated for boats competing in Performance Divisions as detailed above, where a valid IRC Certificate is submitted.

These results will be calculated from the elapsed time obtained in each Performance Handicap Division.

Skippers are reminded that they must use the sail configuration as outlined in their IRC Certificate.

A copy of a valid measurement or rating certificate (where applicable) as issued by the appropriate authority shall be made available on request.

Handicaps will be determined by the Race Committee and shall not be subject to protest. This changes RRS 60.1 (b), 60.2 (b) and RRS 62.

3 YA SPECIAL REGULATIONS

Special regulations Category 5 of Yachting Australia Special Regulations Part 1, 2009-2012 Racing Rules of Sailing shall apply.

For all the yachts that compete in a two handed race or a two handed division, all persons shall wear a PFD type 1 whilst on deck, and it is strongly recommended that they continue to wear a PFD type 1 until safely returned to their home port.

No anchors shall be carried on deck forward of the stem or any part outboard.

Rule 52 Manual Power shall be modified to allow self-steering equipment to be used.

4 DECLARATIONS OF COMPLIANCE AND SAFETY EQUIPMENT CHECKLIST

Competitors are required, as a condition of entry, to have completed a separate Declaration of Compliance and Safety Equipment Checklist which may be lodged with their home club for the 2011 -2012 sailing season.

5 ENTRY

Eligible boats shall be boats on the HBYC Yacht Register, or on the Register of a Yachting Victoria affiliated Club.

An entry into any Race is deemed to be an entry into the Series.

Entries shall be completed on the appropriate online entry form and shall arrive at HBYC Office by 1200 hours on the Friday prior to the race accompanied by the prescribed fee.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Date	Start Time	Heat
Sunday 16 Oct 11	11:00	Heat 1
Sunday 13 Nov 11	11:00	Heat 2 - Acrospire Trophy
Sunday 11 Dec 11	11:00	Heat 3
Sunday 19 Feb 12	11:00	Heat 4
Sunday 04 Mar 12	11:00	Heat 5
Sunday 01 Apr 12	11:00	Heat 6

7 FEES

Entry fees will apply for each division of each race entered as prescribed on the Two Handed online Entry Form.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

All races will be conducted under the HBYC Sailing Instructions, 2010, or as amended. Sailing Instructions will be available at HBYC Club Office and on the website in the week prior to the first race.

9 RACING AREA AND COURSES

The racing area will be on the waters of Port Phillip.

Courses shall be described in the Sailing Instructions and on the HBYC web site.

10 SCORING

Subject to entries, there shall be a Two Handed Champion in Y.V., AMS and IRC Divisions.

For each Division, the low point scoring system Rule A2 will apply, modified as follows:

6 races are scheduled, of which 4 are required to constitute a series. If 5 races are completed, the worst score shall be discarded. If 6 races are completed, the worst 2 scores shall be discarded.

11 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

A boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions (including mobile telephones) not available to all boats while racing and which constitute outside assistance.

Boats should contact the HBYC Race Office on VHF Ch 73 during the race as described in the Sailing Instructions.

12 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to each Division for the overall series of the 2011 – 2012 HBYC Two Handed Series.

Prizes will be presented at the Club Presentation Night to be held at Hobson's Bay Yacht Club.

13 NUMBER OF STARTERS IN A DIVISION

3 or more starters in a Division will constitute a Race.

14 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact the HBYC on (03) 9397 6393.