# CYCA Spring Series 2023

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# Notice of Race

SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA // AUGUST 2023



### 1 Invitation

An invitation is extended to owners of eligible boats to enter this series to be sailed on Sydney Harbour, comprising of 4 pointscore races. The Organising Authority is the Cruising Yacht Club of Australia.

## 2 The Races

August 6	Harbour Race	(Race 1)
August 13	Harbour Race	(Race 2)
August 20	Harbour Race	(Race 3)
August 27	Harbour Race	(Race 4)

### 3 Divisions

- 3.1 Racing will be conducted in divisions appropriate to the number of entries received. Non-spinnaker and IRC divisions may be conducted if there is sufficient interest.
- 3.2 A separate Women's Pointscore will be conducted if there is sufficient interest from yachts entering with a female skipper.

# 4 Rules

- 4.1 All races will be governed by the current versions of:
  - a) the rules, as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 ("RRS") of World Sailing;
  - b) the prescriptions and special regulations of Australian Sailing ("Special Regulations"); and
  - c) the IRC 2023 Rules Parts 1, 2 and 3, if applicable
- 4.2 The sailing instructions will be available after 1200 hours on 1 August 2023 at the Sailing Office or on the CYCA website, www.cyca.com.au. The Sailing Committee of the CYCA will be the Race Committee for the purposes of and with the powers and discretions contained in RRS 90.1.
- 4.3 Changes to the RRS:
  - RRS 51: Boats with movable or variable ballast (within the meaning of those terms in the Special Regulations) may move that ballast for the purpose of changing trim or stability.
  - RRS 52: RRS 52 is changed to: The rotation of a boat's rudder shall be adjusted and operated only by the power provided by the crew.

# 5 Courses / Advertising

The courses shall be Harbour passage courses and shall be as detailed in the Spring Series 2023 Sailing Instructions. Advertising on a boat shall comply with the requirements of World Sailing Regulation 20 (World Sailing Advertising Code).

### 6 Handicaps / Scoring

- 6.1 PHS race results will be calculated by the application of a Time Correction Factor ("TCF") as a multiplier of the boat's elapsed time. A boat's TCF may be adjusted after each race.
- 6.2 IRC race results will be calculated by the application of the IRC Time Corrector (TCC) as printed on each boat's IRC Certificate as a multiplier of the boat's elapsed time.
- 6.3 The series will consist of 4 races with one discard.
- 6.4 A boat shall enter by Race 2 to be eligible for the Pointscore.

# 7 Eligibility

- 7.1 The races are open to single hulled self-righting displacement boats only.
- 7.2 A boat shall have a LOA of not less than 6.0 metres
- 7.3 A boat shall comply with the Special Regulations Part 1 for Race Category 7 except that trailable boats shall comply with Category 6. An audited Special Regulations Equipment Audit Form for the relevant Category (or higher) shall accompany the entry if not already held by CYCA. Note: CYCA require all audits dated after 30 June 2023.
- 7.4 The owner or charterer of a boat entered in a race shall hold a marine legal liability insurance policy with respect to the boat current when racing, with a sum insured of not less than A\$10 million.
- 7.5 A decision of the Race Committee as to whether a boat meets the eligibility criteria is final and binding and will not be grounds for a request for redress.

# 8 Trophies and Prizegivings

Trophies will be awarded to first, second and third placing in the Season Pointscore in each Division. The pointscore series is only open to block entries. The pointscore prizegiving will be held following racing on 27 August 2023.

# 9 Results and List of Entries

Results and weekly entry lists (with start times) will be emailed to skippers. Copies may be picked up from the Sailing Office. Results will also be published on the CYCA website, www.cyca.com.au, and posted on the notice board in the downstairs of the CYCA Clubhouse.

# 10 Entry & Entry Fees

\$300 Block Entry (for CYCA members, block entry fees are reduced to \$270), or \$85 per race (in each case including GST). Entries shall be completed online by 1200 hours on the Thursday prior to each race. Block entries are waived for <u>CYCA Marina three-year license holders</u>. Entries shall be made online at www.cyca.com.au/online-entry/.

Boat Name:

I, \_\_\_\_\_, am the owner/charterer of the above boat and am entering the boat in the Spring Series 2023 by way of an online entry and I:

- 1 acknowledge that this entry is made subject to the conditions set out in the Notice of Race, as it may be amended;
- 2 acknowledge that all races will be governed by, and agree that the boat is bound by, the rules and regulations specified in the Notice of Race
- 3 acknowledge and accept the risks, including the risk of harm to persons and property, associated with:
  - (a) the perils of the sea;
  - (b) the seaworthiness or otherwise of any boat participating in any race comprising part of the Spring Series 2023;
  - (c) the participation, including negligent participation, by all persons in any such race, including participation as skipper, crew person, official, race organiser or otherwise; and
  - (d) the defaults, acts and omissions, including negligent defaults, acts and omissions, of Cruising Yacht Club of Australia (**"CYCA"**) and its officers, employees, volunteers and members, and the crews of all boats;
- 4 acknowledge and accept that CYCA:
  - (a) does not and cannot control, diminish or affect the perils of the sea;
  - (b) is not in a position to take precautions against the risk of harm to persons arising from the perils of the sea;
  - (c) is not in a position to provide advice, assistance or support to boats and crews during the course of any race; and
  - (d) does not certify the seaworthiness or suitability to race of any boat;
- 5 agree:
  - (a) to the maximum extent permitted by law, to waive all rights against and release, hold harmless and indemnify CYCA and its officers, employees, members and volunteers (each such officer, employee, member and volunteer, a "Beneficiary") from any and all claims and liability any of those persons has to the owner/charterer or any crew member on the boat, or to any person claiming through or under any such person, in respect of loss of life or injury to persons, or loss of or damage to property, howsoever caused, including by negligent act or omission, arising out of or relating to:
    - (i) participation by the boat or any other boat in any race comprising part of the Spring Series 2023;
    - (ii) the conduct or course of any such race in any respect including any act or omission (whether reasonably foreseeable or not) causing or relating to loss of or damage to any boat or the death of or injury to any person; or
    - (iii) any of the matters referred to in paragraphs 3 and 4;
  - (b) that CYCA holds the benefit of the contract formed by the acceptance of this entry by CYCA on trust for each Beneficiary and may enforce the contract on behalf of and at the request of all or any of the Beneficiaries
  - (c) that participation by the boat and crew in any race comprising part of the of Spring Series 2023 is agreed by CYCA on the basis (among other things) that participation is entirely at the risk of the owner/charterer and each member of the crew on the boat and that CYCA and each Beneficiary are not responsible for the boat or its crew; and
  - (d) it is the sole and exclusive responsibility of each boat to decide whether to start or not to start in any race comprising part of Spring Series 2023 or, once having started, whether to continue to race;
- 6 agree that if the owner/charterer or any person on the owner's/charterer's behalf including any member of the crew requests the Race Committee or any officer, employee or volunteer of CYCA to arrange for special assistance because the boat has become disabled, or for any other reason, then the owner/charterer indemnifies CYCA and its officers, employees and agents in respect of any liability, cost or expense which may thereby be incurred;
- 7 agree that each indemnity in this document continues after the conclusion of each race comprising part of the Spring Series 2023 and may be enforced before incurring any expense;
- 8 represent that I have been given an opportunity to obtain, or have obtained (or made a conscious decision not to obtain) my own independent legal advice regarding the meaning, scope and legal effect of this document and are not relying on any representation from CYCA or any Beneficiary in that respect;
- 9 agree that the contract formed by the acceptance of this entry by CYCA is governed by the law of New South Wales and that any liability for harm to persons that results from breach of an express or implied warranty that the Spring Series 2023 and all services relating thereto will be conducted or rendered with reasonable care and skill is excluded;
- 10 acknowledge that CYCA owns all media rights in the Spring Series 2023 and all rights in and to any visual and audio material and any data taken or collected by or on behalf of CYCA, or provided to it, in connection with each race comprising part of the Spring Series 2023 and may exercise and exploit those rights as it sees fit;
- 11 grant CYCA, at no cost, the unconditional, perpetual right and authority to publish and broadcast anywhere in the world, for any purpose and in any medium, the names, images, data and biographical information of the crew, and still and moving images and audio recordings of the boat and its crew, prior to, during and after the race;
- 12 confirm that:
  - (a) the information in the on-line entry form and documentation lodged with the CYCA is correct and up-to-date;
  - (b) subject to the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, CYCA will be advised immediately in writing, or by acknowledged email of any change to that information; and
  - (c) no alteration likely to affect the rating/handicap of the boat has been made since the boat was last measured/raced and that if any such alteration is made the CYCA will be notified immediately, in writing or by acknowledged email.

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