



Opening Day Regatta Open Invitational

NOTICE OF RACE

Sunday 1st October 2023

Organising Authority: Nedlands Yacht Club (Inc.)

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1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

- 1.1. The Organising Authority is the Nedlands Yacht Club (Inc.) – NYC.
- 1.2. The NYC regatta Committee is appointed “Race Committee”.
- 1.3. The “NYC Officer of the Day” (OOD) is the “Race Officer” and is the representative of the “Race Committee”.

2. RULES

- 2.1. The Event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) including the prescriptions of Australian Sailing and The Nedlands Yacht Club Sailing Instructions for 2023/24 (Yellow Book).
- 2.2. The Sailing Instructions may change racing rules. The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions
- 2.3. The Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 1, Section 2 to Category 7 shall apply to Cruiser fleets.
- 2.4. The Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2, regulation 5.01 (Personal Flotation Devices) will be enforced for dinghy and off the beach catamaran fleets.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND INSURANCE

- 3.1. The regatta is an open invitational event and is open to off the beach dinghies and catamarans, keelboats, trailable cruisers, sportsboats and multihulls.
- 3.2. Boats must have a current Australian Sailing Safety Equipment Audit form registered with their host club.
- 3.3. Each participating boat shall have valid insurance as defined under the heading of “INSURANCE” below.

4. ENTRY AND FEES

- 4.1. The regatta is an open invitational event.
- 4.2. Entry is free.
- 4.3. At the discretion of the Race Committee, entrants may be placed in single class fleets (if enough entrants are received) or in a yardstick adjusted open fleets.
- 4.4. Boats registered to Nedlands Yacht Club must sign the Sign On sheet on the day to register.
- 4.5. Boats visiting from other clubs must register on-line via the NYC web page (<http://www.nyc.org.au/sailing/regattas/>) before 17:00 on 30th September 2023.
- 4.6. Visiting fleets may organise with the Race Committee to supply a fleet list in lieu of individual registrations before the registration deadline.
- 4.7. By registering, the owner of the boat confirms that the boat and crew are eligible to compete.
- 4.8. The Race Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1. The Regatta will consist of yacht fleets as listed below.
- 5.2. Fleets may be added or removed by the OOD based on the number of boats registered for each fleet.
- 5.3. Each Fleet will race their own course.
- 5.4. Nominal schedule of events is as follows:
 - 13:00 hrs – Commencement of Opening Ceremony of Main Verandah
 - 13:30 hrs – Breaking of the Flag, including firing of the gun and display of Line in Use pennant.
 - 13:40 hrs – Warning signal for first fleet
 - 13:45 hrs – Open Dingy fleet start
 - 13:50 hrs – Open Catamaran fleet start
 - 13:55 hrs – Cruiser Division 1 fleet start
 - 14:00 hrs – Cruiser Division 2 fleet start
 - 14:05 hrs – Cruiser Division 3/4 fleet start
 - 14:10 hrs – Hobie 16 fleet start
 - 14:15 hrs – Junior fleet start
- 5.5. Subsequent Junior fleet starts will be as previous races are complete.
- 5.6. The number of Junior fleet starts will be advised by the Race Committee on the day.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1. The sailing instruction will be available online at www.nyc.org.au/sailing/regattas/
- 6.2. The Nedlands Yacht Club Sailing Instructions for 2023/24 (Yellow Book) can be found at www.nyc.org.au/sailing/sailing-programme-yellowbook/

7. VENUE

- 7.1. The regatta will be conducted from Nedlands Yacht Club.
- 7.2. The race area will be described in the Sailing Instructions.
- 7.3. Presentations will be held in the NYC main club rooms as soon after 17:00 as possible.

8. COURSES

- 8.1. The courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

9. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1. For Multihull fleets, Rules 44.1 and 44.2 (taking a penalty) are amended so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, are required.

10. SCORING

- 10.1. This event is a heat of the Nedlands Consistency series and will be scored as per the Nedlands YC Sailing Instructions for 2023/24 (Yellow Book).
- 10.2. Visiting boats will be supplied a Handicap by the handicapper for the fleet in which they race.
- 10.3. Visiting boats will be incorporated in the results for the day but will not be awarded series points.
- 10.4. Visiting fleets can be supplied elapsed times for their own use. Visiting fleets can provide handicaps or yardsticks for use on the day.

11. SUPPORT BOATS

- 11.1. Support boats will display a green over white diagonal flag.
- 11.2. Support boats and crew will be supplied by NYC under its standard operating procedures.

12. PRIZES

- 12.1. Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of NYC.

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 13.1. All those taking any part in the event do so at their own risk. The Organising Authority, its associates and appointees accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience incurred, howsoever caused. Attention is also drawn to Fundamental Rule 3 which states “The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone”.

14. INSURANCE

- 14.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with current third-party liability insurance cover with a minimum cover of AU\$10,000,000 per event.

15. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

- 15.1. By participating in the Regatta, competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority the right in perpetuity to use images of the participant captured during the event (moving or still) for the purpose of promoting the Organising Authority and its activities from time to time without compensation.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 16.1. For further information please contact Nedlands Yacht Club at sailing@nyc.org.au or 9386 5496.