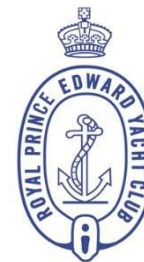




ROYAL PRINCE EDWARD YACHT CLUB

Notice of Race Centenary Cup Race Spinnaker Divisions

13 November 2024



The Organising Authority is
the Royal Prince Edward Yacht Club (RPEYC)

1 RULES

The event is governed by the rules as defined in the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the Special Regulations of Australian Sailing applicable to races of Category 7 and above.

2 ELIGIBILITY

The series is open to all boats of monohull construction.

3 EVENT FORMAT AND SCHEDULE

- a) The Centenary Cup Race for Spinnaker Divisions will be run on 13th November 2024.
- b) It is intended that there will be two spinnaker divisions:
 - Division 1S
 - Division 2S
- c) The Race Committee will allocate boats to Divisions.
- d) The Race Committee may choose to add or delete divisions depending on entry numbers.
- e) Handicaps will be determined by the Race Committee based on performance and will be by a Time Correction Factor (TCF) applied to a boat's elapsed time.
- f) Handicaps will be reviewed considering all previous races sailed and may be subject to arbitrary adjustment.
- g) Determinations or decisions by the race committee about allocation to divisions or handicaps shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.
- h) Divisions and handicaps will be advised on the list of entries available from the RPEYC website or the RPEYC office.
- i) Scheduled time of the first warning signal is 1345.

4 ENTRY

- a) Eligible boats may enter for the race as a casual entry. Enter online by using the RPEYC website Race Entry process into the SailSys system.
- b) Existing series entrants the 2024-25 Wednesday series who wish to enter the Spinnaker Division race must email sailing@rpeyc.com.au so they can be entered manually at no charge. Such entries will be awarded average points for the race in the pointscore of their usual Division.
- c) All boats entering shall upload a copy of a current completed Category 7 (or higher) Equipment Audit Form and a current third-party insurance certificate (refer to paragraph 15 below) to the boat's Compliance page in SailSys, or forward to the RPEYC Office at sailing@rpeyc.com.au by the relevant entry closing date and time.
- d) Race entries should be received by 1700hr on 2 November 2024.
- e) Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee.

5 ENTRY FEE

Entry fee is as follows:

- Casual entry fee for this race is \$50.
- Entry fee is waived for existing entrants in the RPEYC 2024-25 Wednesday Series (see para 4b above).

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available from the RPEYC website or the RPEYC clubhouse.

7 RACING AREA

Racing will be conducted on Sydney Harbour. The Starting Line and Finishing Line will be between the RPEYC Clubhouse and Shark Island.

8 COURSES

Courses will be around Sydney Harbour marks and islands as described in the Sailing Instructions.

9 PENALTY SYSTEM

Penalties shall be in accordance with RRS 44.1 and 44.2 only. RRS 44.3 shall not apply.

10 COMMUNICATIONS

All boats shall carry an operating marine band VHF radio capable of receiving normal marine international channels. The radio must be always switched-on during racing and tuned to the correct race committee frequency.

11 EQUIPMENT

RRS 52 is changed so that it does not apply for the adjustment and operation of sails or the adjustment of movable appendages on any boat.

12 CHANGES AFFECTING PERFORMANCE

Any changes to the hull, propeller, trim, spars, sails or significant changes to onboard skill level shall be notified in writing to RPEYC via email to sailing@rpeyc.com.au, no later than 15:00 hours on the day prior to the race. This may result in a change of handicap.

13 RISK WARNING

- a) Participants are warned that, regardless of the precautions, which might be taken by reasonable and experienced persons, sailing can be a dangerous pursuit and participants are exposed to significant risk of property damage, physical harm and possibly death.
- b) As an indication, these risks may include, but are not limited to:
 - The extremes of weather and sea conditions.
 - The potential that control of vessels may be lost, resulting in collision with objects and other vessels.
 - The sudden movement of the vessel at any time and the possibility that participants may fall or be thrown overboard, resulting in drowning or exposure to injury.
 - The possibility that participants may be injured by equipment on the vessel.
 - The absence of immediate medical care and the possibility that significant delays may occur before medical care is available.
 - Exposure to the elements for extended periods.
- c) Participants are also advised that although the Organising Authority is covered by third party liability insurance, this cover does not extend to participants. Any participant who considers they have a need for insurance must make their own private arrangements with an insurer.
- d) Owners and persons in charge of boats shall ensure that all participants on their boats are aware of this risk warning.

14 DISCLAIMERS

All those taking part in the event do so at their own risk and responsibility. The Organising Authority and its race officials accept no liability for any damage or injury in connection with the event and Owners release the Organising Authority from any claim or liability whatsoever for any harm or personal injury in connection with the event.

15 INSURANCES

Each participating boat shall be covered by current Third-Party Property liability insurance and Third-Party Personal Liability insurance of not less than \$10,000,000 (ten million) for each incident. All insurance cover shall be maintained during the period of racing.

16 PRIZES

Prizes may be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in each division at the discretion of RPEYC.

The following perpetual trophies will be awarded:

RPEYC Centenary Cup - awarded to the overall handicap winner of the Centenary Cup Race.

Windward Shield - awarded to the best handicap performance in the Centenary Cup Race for a boat on the RPEYC Boat Register and helmed by a RPEYC member.

The prize winners for RPEYC Centenary Cup and Windward Shield will be calculated by standardising each applicable boat's corrected time (i.e. elapsed time multiplied by the boat's TCF) to a standard course length.

The awards will be presented at the RPEYC Annual Prizegiving in May 2025

17 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the RPEYC on (02) 9363 5809 or sailing@rpeyc.com.au