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Raine & Horne Thursday Twilight Series

2017-18

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Amendments

Number	Date	Descriptions Changed	Summary of Amendment

1. Rules

The series will be governed by:

- The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
- The Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing Part 1 Sections 1-6
- The Performance Based Handicapping System (YV)
- The requirements of the Port of Melbourne Corporation (POMC)
- Any amendments to the NOR or the 2017 -18 Raine & Horne Thursday Twilight Sailing Instructions.

2. Notices to Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located adjacent to the change rooms at HBYC. Competitors may be notified by SMS and/or email. Notices may also be posted to the Raine & Horne Thursday Twilight Series page on the HBYC website.

3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900hrs on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000hrs on the day before it will take effect. Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted to the official notice board and the Raine & Horne Thursday Twilight Series page on the HBYC website.

4. Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the HBYC flag pole.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore '1 minute' is replaced with not less than '45 minutes'.

5. Schedule of Races

Date	Race	Warning Signal	Trophies
12 Oct 17	1	1755	
19 Oct 17	2	1755	
26 Oct 17	3	1755	
02 Nov 17	4	1755	
09 Nov 17	5	1755	
16 Nov 17	6	1755	
23 Nov 17	7	1755	
30 Nov 17	8	1755	
07 Dec 17	9	1755	
14 Dec 17	10	1755	Pre Christmas Series Trophy
11 Jan 18	11	1755	
18 Jan 18	12	1755	
25 Jan 18	13	1755	
01 Feb 18	14	1755	
08 Feb 18	15	1755	

15 Feb 18	16	1755	
22 Feb 18	17	1755	
01 Mar 18	18	1755	
08 Mar 18	19	1755	
15`Mar 18	20	1755	Post Christmas Series Trophy

6. Division Flags

Division	Flag
Entire Fleet	Numeral Zero

7. Racing Areas

The racing area shall be the waters of Port Phillip.

8. The Course

See Twilight Courses located on the HBYC website Racing/Twilight/Thursday Course.

9. The Start

9.1. Warning 17:55hrs.

9.2. The starting line shall be an imaginary line between the staff displaying an orange flag on the committee vessel and a fixed mark that is "Course Dependent".

9.3. The appropriate numeral for each group is an expression of time in minutes after the starting signal and shall be displayed at two minute intervals. The start for the group indicated by the numeral is signalled by the lowering of the numeral.

9.4. Pursuit entrants who chose not to use a spinnaker may not use spinnakers, bloopers or gennakers. Normal working sails may be poled out.

9.5. The starting procedure for the pursuit division is as follows:

Signal	Flag/Numeral Displayed	Sound	Minutes
Warning	Numeral Zero Displayed	1 Sound	-5
Preparatory	Code Flag P Displayed	1 Sound	-4
One Minute	Code Flag P Removed	1 Long Sound	-1
Start	Numeral Zero Removed Numeral Two Displayed	1 Sound	0
	Numeral Two Removed Numeral Four Displayed	1 Sound	+2
	Numeral Four Removed Numeral Six Displayed	1 Sound	+4

10. The Finish

10.1. The finishing line shall be an imaginary line between the staff displaying a blue flag on the committee vessel and a fixed mark that is "Course Dependent".

11. Time Limit

The time limit is 20.00 hrs.

12. Protests and Requests for Redress

- 12.1. Protest forms are available from the HBYC website under Sailing – General Information. Protests and Requests for Redress shall be delivered to the HBYC office by 1200hrs on the next working day after the race. Forms may be submitted in person or emailed to racing@hbyc.org.au
- 12.2. Protests and Requests for Redress will be heard at HBYC at 7pm on the Thursday following the race.

13. Safety Regulations

- 13.1. Races will not be started if there is a current GALE warning for the waters of Port Phillip issued by the Bureau of Meteorology.
- 13.2. Racing will be abandoned if the Bureau of Meteorology issues a GALE warning for the waters of Port Phillip during the race.
- 13.3. A boat that retires from the race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible on VHF Ch.73.
- 13.4. A boat found to have interfered with commercial shipping shall be disqualified without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1.
- 13.5. A boat may use its engine to avoid commercial shipping, but shall lodge details to the Race Committee at the finish line within 1 hour of finishing the race. A boat using its engine shall not benefit from the use of its engine. Any boat using its engine shall bring the boat to a complete stop before continuing the race. The Race Committee, as its discretion may allow such use with or without further penalty. This modifies RRS 42.

14. Radio Communication

- 14.1. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 14.2. The Race Committee may communicate with competitors on VHF Ch.73.

15. Prizes

- 15.1. The 1st placed yacht shall be awarded the Raine & Horne Twilight Series Trophy.
- 15.2. The first placed yacht in the Pre and Post Christmas Series shall receive a Trophy.
- 15.3 Additional prizes shall be presented at the discretion of the organising authority.

16. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the series entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the series.

17. Insurance

Each participating yacht shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10 million per incident or the equivalent.

18. Further Information

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