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Port Phillip Sea Pilots Trophy Race

Saturday, 17th February, 2018

Henry Press Short Course Trophy Race

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RMYS Big Bay Challenge

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NOTICE OF RACE

Amendments

Number	Date	Descriptions Changed	Summary of Amendment
1	12/02/18	4	Warning signal – Henry Press Short Course 10.15 hrs

Introduction

Hobsons Bay Yacht Club Inc. as the Organizing Authority in conjunction with Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron advises the 2018 HBYC Port Phillip Sea Pilots Trophy Race, Henry Press Short Course Trophy Race and the RMYS Big Bay Challenge will be conducted on the waters of Port Phillip under the following conditions:

1 Responsibility and Indemnity

All those taking part in the HBYC Port Phillip Sea Pilots Trophy Race, Henry Press Short Course Trophy Race and the RMYS Big Bay Challenge do so at their own risk and are responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted and for the sufficiency and adequacy of its equipment.

HBYC, RMYS, their 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 RRS 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 HBYC Port Phillip Sea Pilots Trophy Race, Henry Press Short Course Trophy Race and RMYS Big Bay Challenge will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) Part 1, Sections 1--6.

2.1 Advertising

The Series is classified as a Category C event in accordance with RRS 80 and World Sailing Regulation 20 and the Prescriptions of Australian Sailing 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 Handicapping / Divisions

There shall be two Divisions:

Division 1 – Yachts completing the Sea Pilots Trophy Long Course and RMYS Big Bay Challenge

Handicaps - PHS, AMS, IRC

Division 2 – Yachts completing Henry Press the Short Course Race

Handicaps - PHS, AMS, IRC

Performance Handicaps (PHS)

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

The HBYC Handicapper reserves the right to revise any handicap before or after the race, and to make the changed handicap retrospective if required.

Boat Owners/Skippers are reminded of their obligations under Rule 2 of the PHS Handicapping rules. Handicaps will be revised between races in accordance with the HBYC Long Distance Handicapping Rules.

Handicaps will be determined by the HBYC Handicapper under the authority of 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 AMS certification is validated on www.raceyachts.org.

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 IRC certification is validated on the IRC website.

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.

3 YA Special Regulations

For yachts completing Division 1 – Long Course - Special regulations Category 5N of Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 1, Racing Rules of Sailing shall apply.

For yachts completing Division 2 – Short Course - Special regulations Category 5N of Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 1, Racing Rules of Sailing shall apply.

For all yachts intending to enter the Sea Pilot Long Course and the RMYS Big Bay Challenge additional equipment as listed below shall be carried whilst racing.

RRS Reference	Recommended Equipment
4.06	One additional flashlight (minimum of 2)
3.21.2	Spare compass independent of power supply
4.11.2	GPS on board

All yachts must lodge a minimum category 5N safety compliance declaration to their home club by Thursday 16th February, 2018.

All yachts must comply with specified extra safety equipment requirements,

All yachts must provide proof of appropriate third party and personal insurance cover, with a minimum of AUD 10,000,000 public liability.

All yachts must ensure that while the yacht is racing, equipment necessary to comply with the relevant safety prescriptions is carried and the appropriate level of insurance cover is maintained.

PFDs of the approved type will be worn when required by the Marine Safety Victoria Regulations.

For all the yachts sailing two handed, 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 Start

The Warning signals shall be:

Date	Race	Time
Saturday 17 February 2018	Sea Pilots Long Course RMYS Big Bay Challenge	0955hrs
Saturday 17 February 2018	Henry Press Short Course	1015hrs

5 Entry and Fees

Eligible boats shall be boats on the HBYC or RMYS Yacht Registers, or on the register of an Australian Sailing affiliated Club.

Entries for the Port Phillip Sea Pilots Trophy Race and the Henry Press Short Course Trophy Race shall be completed via the Top Yacht Entry System available on the HBYC website.

Entries for the Big Bay Challenge shall be completed via the Top Yacht entry system available on the RMYS website.

Entry for HBYC Entrants is free if boat owner has paid the HBYC "On-water Safety and

Training Fee”.

Entry for yachts on the RMYS yacht register is free.

The entry fee for yachts not on the register of HBYC or RMYS is \$30.

6 Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available on the HBYC and RMYS websites in the week prior to each race.

7 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 and RMYS websites.

8 Scoring/ Prizes

The Port Phillip Sea Pilots Trophy will be awarded to the 1st placed HBYC yacht on PHS in Division 1.

Prizes will be awarded to the 1st placed yachts on AMS and IRC in the Port Phillip Sea Pilots.

The Squadron Cup will be awarded to the 1st placed yacht on PHS in the Big Bay Challenge.

Henry Press Trophy (Short Course only) will be awarded to 1st on corrected time based on PHS, AMS and IRC Handicaps

Sea Pilot Best Log as voted by the HBYC Sailing Committee.

Big Bay Challenge Best Log as voted by the RMYS Sailing Committee.

Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Sailing Committees.

Trophies will be presented at the HBYC and RMYS Presentation nights.

9 Radio Communication

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication not available to all boats.

Each competing yacht shall carry a VHF transceiver with channels 12, 16, 67, 73 and 82 and complete the VHF radio checks as outlined in the Sailing Instructions.

VHF radio channel 82 will be used to make announcements to competitors before or during a race.

10 Crew and Next Of Kin Declarations

For the 2018 Port Phillip Sea Pilots Race and RMYS Big Bay Challenge conducted by HBYC all yachts must lodge with the Top Yacht Entry System the contact details, including mobile phone number, of the skipper and an onshore contact who has all the names and contact details of all crew on board for the race. Any changes to these details must be communicated to the Race Director by SMS prior to the start of the race.

Failure to lodge the skipper and onshore contact details before the race or to ensure that the contents are accurate and complete may result in the boat being scored as a non-starter.

11 Manual Power

Manual Power shall be modified to allow self steering equipment to be used for boats in two handed Division. This changes RRS 52

12 Moveable Ballast

A boat with movable ballast or variable ballast (within the meaning of those terms in the special regulations) may move such ballast for the purpose of changing trim or stability. This changes RRS 51.

13 Further Information

For further information, please contact HBYC on (03) 9397 6111 or RMYS (03) 9534 0227