



Hobsons Bay Yacht Club

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R. M Smith Hot Pursuit Series

2017 - 2018

NOTICE OF RACE

Amendments

| Number | Date | Descriptions Changed | Summary of Amendment |
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1. Rules

The series will be governed by:

- The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
- The R. M Smith 2017 – 18 Hot Pursuit Series Sailing Instructions
- 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 Sailing Instructions to this event.

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1. The series is open to all yachts on the HBYC yacht register or yacht register of an Australian Sailing affiliated yacht club, who have submitted a category 6 safety declaration to their home club.
- 2.2. Series entries shall be completed online via the HBYC website by 1700hrs on the Thursday before Race 1.
- 2.3. Casual entries shall be completed online via the HBYC website by 1700hrs on the Thursday before the race.
- 2.4 Yachts sailing single handed in any race of this Series must comply with the "Solo Sailing Guidelines" located on the HBYC website Sailing/Solo Sailing Guidelines.
- 2.5 It is strongly recommended each entrant has conducted a "Man overboard" procedure before participating in any race of this Series.

3. Fees

- 3.1. Yachts on the HBYC yacht register shall not be charged an entry fee.
- 3.2. Yachts on the register of another Australian Sailing affiliated club shall pay a series entry fee of \$180
- 3.3. Casual entry for non-HBYC yachts shall be \$25per race.

4. Schedule

| Date | Race | Warning Signal | Trophy |
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| Sun 15 Oct 17 | 1 | 1325 | |
| Sun 22 Oct 17 | 2 | 1325 | |
| Sun 05 Nov 17 | 3 | 1325 | |
| Sun 03 Dec 17 | 4 | 1325 | Bob Pilgrim Trophy Memorial Trophy |
| Sun 21 Jan 18 | 5 | 1325 | Cock of Hobsons Bay Trophy |
| Sun 11 Feb 18 | 6 | 1325 | |
| Sun 04 March 18 | 7 | 1325 | |
| Sun 08 April 18 | 8 | 1325 | |
| Sun 22 April | 9 | 1325 | |

5. Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions for Race 1 to 6 and Race 8 and 9 shall be available on the HBYC website (www.hbyc.org.au) on Monday, 9th October, 2017. Sailing Instructions for Race 7 available Monday, 26th February, 2018

6. Venue

The racing area shall be the waters of Port Phillip.

7. The Courses

The courses shall be described in the Sailing Instructions.

8. Scoring

- 8.1. 5 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 8.2. When 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 8.3. When from 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score.
- 8.4. When 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst two scores.
- 8.5. Casual entrants will not be included in the series scores.
- 8.6. There will be no re-sails.
- 8.7. If less than three yachts do not cross the start line the race shall be abandoned.

9. Prizes

- 9.1. The R. M. Smith Series Trophy will be awarded to the 1st placed yacht.
- 9.2. The Bob Pilgrim Trophy will be awarded for the winner of Race 4 and the Cock of Hobsons Bay awarded to the winner of Race 5.
- 9.3. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

10. 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 that is not available to all boats.

11. 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 the material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the series.

12. 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.

13. Further Information

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