

SB20 AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2025

*Incorporated in the
Banjo's Shoreline Crown Series Bellerive Regatta*

Friday 21 February – Sunday 23 February 2025

NOTICE OF RACE



Organising Authority: Bellerive Yacht Club Inc.

A welcome message from the BYC Commodore

On behalf of Bellerive Yacht Club, it's my privilege to welcome you to the 2025 Banjo's Shoreline Crown Series Bellerive Regatta. This year, we're inviting you to join us to celebrate our 21st regatta, incorporating the 2025 National SB20 Championship and the inaugural Tasmanian Yachting Championships. It's shaping up to be a standout event on the sailing calendar, and we can't wait to share it with you.

As the new Commodore, I'm excited to continue the proud tradition of this regatta, which has become a highlight for sailors near and far. The event combines competitive racing on the beautiful River Derwent with the warm hospitality and lively atmosphere Bellerive Yacht Club is known for.

We are especially grateful to Banjo's Shoreline, whose decade-long partnership as our major sponsor has been vital to the success of this regatta. We also extend a huge thanks to Sargisons Jewellers, who will be offering some fantastic prizes to our participants on the water, along with prizes for some lucky attendees onshore. Their support, along with that of our other sponsors, helps us take the regatta to new heights every year.

Whether you're racing an ocean yacht, an SB20, or any other Keel Boat or Off the Beach class, the regatta offers an exciting challenge for all participants. Onshore, the celebrations will be just as vibrant, with prize draws, live music, and a variety of food and drinks to enjoy. It's the perfect way to unwind after a day of racing and connect with fellow sailors.

This regatta wouldn't be possible without the hard work of our volunteers and the enthusiasm of our participants. Thank you all for your continued support. To our competitors, I wish you fair winds, smooth seas, and a weekend full of unforgettable moments.

Let's make the 21st regatta one to remember—on the water and off it. See you out there!

Cheers!

Hughie Lewis
Commodore, Bellerive Yacht Club

[DP] Means a penalty that is at the discretion of the Jury

[NP] Means that a breach of this rule will not be subject to a protest by a boat.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2. Class Rule C.5.1 is deleted. To be eligible to race, boats shall provide a valid SB20 Australia - SB20 Equipment Audit Form to the Organising Authority at registration.
- 1.3. Appendix P of the rules will apply, with P2.1 changed to a One-Turn penalty only. P2.3 is deleted and P2.2 will apply to all infringements of rule 42 after the first infringement.

2. ADVERTISING [DP] [NP]

- 2.1. Advertising is permitted in accordance with WS Regulation 20 (Appendix 1 – Advertising).
- 2.2. The Organising Authority reserves the right to refuse advertising by any boat, if it is considered offensive to public taste or if it contravenes the laws of the governments of Tasmania or Australia.
- 2.3. Competitors may be required to display event sponsor’s names(s)/logo(s). If required, the Organising Authority will supply these items and they shall be affixed as prescribed in the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.4. Boats will be required to display bow numbers.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The Regatta is open to SB20 class boats affiliated with the SB20 Class Association. Skippers and crews shall be members of a Club affiliated with Australian Sailing, or if international competitors, with their Member National Authority.
- 3.2. A boat shall complete the entry form through the online entry system found at <https://byc.org.au/racing/banjos-shoreline-crown-series/> by 1700 on Monday 10 February, 2025.
- 3.3. Late entries will be accepted up to 1600 on Wednesday 19 February, 2025.

4. ENTRY FEES

- 4.1. The entry fee shall be \$AUD400 for each boat.
- 4.2. The late entry fee shall be \$AUD600 for each boat.

5. SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Friday	21 February	1200	Registration and crew weigh-in opens @ BYC
Friday	21 February	1330	Skippers briefing @ BYC
Friday	21 February	1400	Crew weigh-in closes @ BYC
Friday	21 February	1600	1 st Warning signal and back to back races
Saturday	22 February	1100	1 st Warning signal and back to back races
Sunday	23 February	1100	1 st Warning signal and back to back races
There will be no warning signal after 1500 on 23 February 2025			

There is a maximum of 10 races scheduled.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

6.1. Sailing Instructions will be issued by 0900 on Friday 21 February 2025 and will be available on the BYC website found at <https://byc.org.au/racing/banjos-shoreline-crown-series/>

7. MEASUREMENT [DP] [NP]

7.1. All boats and equipment shall be available for measurement where the following measurements will be taken:

7.1.1. Crew weighing according to the SB20 Class Measurement Rules (C3.1). For this item the full crew shall be presented at the same time.

7.1.2. Safety and Equipment checks.

7.2. All boats shall have been weighed in accordance with the SB20 Class Rules by an approved SB20 Australia Class measurer not more than twenty-four months before the regatta. Boats shall provide a copy of a valid Measurement Certificate confirming total boat weight, keel weight and corrector weigh at Registration.

7.3. Boats should be prepared for full inspection.

7.4. Random measurement checks for compliance with the SB20 Class Rules may be made during the regatta at the discretion of the Race Committee.

8. REGATTA VENUE AND RACING AREA

8.1. See Appendix A for BYC Regatta Venue.

8.2. Racing will be conducted on the waters of the River Derwent.

9. COURSES

9.1. Courses will be windward/leeward laid courses as described in the sailing instructions.

10. SCORING

10.1. Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series. There will be a maximum of 10 races.

10.2. When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

10.3. When six races or more have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

11. PRIZES

11.1. Overall prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

11.2. First placed Women's team (50% of the crew must be female including skipper) – subject to a minimum of three women entries.

11.3. First placed Masters' team (skipper over 50 years of age and average age of crew over 50) – subject to minimum of three masters' entries. Age date is at 20 February 2025.

11.4. First placed Youth team (skipper under 26 years of age and average age of crew under 26) – subject to a minimum of three youth entries. Age date is at 20 February 2025.

12. SUPPORT BOATS [DP] [NP]

- 12.1. A yacht shall receive no outside assistance from support boats or support persons or otherwise once she has left the dock for the day until the finish of the last race of the day, except in the case of emergency and/or towing where the Race Officer has communicated to the fleet that all competitors may accept a tow. For the avoidance of doubt, outside assistance includes verbal communication and the transfer of physical items.
- 12.2. At all times, support boats must be on call on VHF channel 17.
- 12.3. (DP) Penalties for breaking this rule will be at the discretion of the protest committee up to and including disqualification of all boats associated with the team or private support boat.
- 12.4. In the State of Tasmania, the law requires that all occupants of powered craft under 6m in length shall wear an approved lifejacket at all times when underway. Check Marine and Safety Tasmania website for details.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1. Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns penalty is changed to a One-Turn penalty.
- 13.2. To encourage boats to take penalties afloat, rules observers may blow a whistle when they see what they believe to be a breach of a rule.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATION [DP]

- 14.1. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

15. JURY

- 15.1. There may be an on-water Jury. Jury boats will display a white flag with the letter 'J'.
- 15.2. Subject to approval, there may be a National Jury and if so decisions of the Protest Committee will be final as provided in rule 70.5.

16. PROTESTS

- 16.1. RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, applies to this regatta, amended so that the arbitrator may form part of any subsequent protest committee.

17. SAFETY [DP] [NP]

- 17.1. The Race Committee will operate on VHF Channel 17. All boats shall carry a working VHF radio and monitor Channel 17.

18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 18.1. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**
- 18.2. The Bellerive Yacht Club, its staff, officers and volunteers accept no responsibility whatsoever for loss or damage to boats or equipment or personal injury or death associated with races conducted by the Club.

18.3.

19. HAULOUT, DIVING AND PLASTIC POOL RESTRICTION [DP] [NP]

19.1. Boats shall be launched by 1500 on Friday 21 February 2025 and shall not be hauled out during the regatta (wet regatta) and keels shall remain in the deployed position, except with prior permission of the Race Committee.

19.2. **SB20s will be berthed in their designated location at BYC.**

19.3. Underwater breathing and plastic pools or their equivalents shall not be used from haul-into the harbour until the end of the regatta.

20. SAIL RESTRICTION

20.1. Sails will be restricted to two sets of sails for the duration of the regatta. No more than two mainsails, two jibs and two spinnakers shall be used and must be nominated at registration.

20.2. Class rule C.10.2 will apply during the regatta for sail limitations carried aboard.

21. INSURANCE [DP] [NP]

21.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000, with racing risk extension.

22. FURTHER INFORMATION

22.1. For further information please contact:

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APPENDIX A – BYC Regatta Venue

