



2025

# Bellerive Yacht Club Winter Series

## Notice of Race

To be sailed on the River Derwent

Sunday 15 June 2025

Sunday 6 July 2025

Sunday 27 July 2025

Sunday 17 August 2025

Sunday 31 August 2025

### 1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

- 1.1. Bellerive Yacht Club Inc. (BYC)

### 2. RULES

- 2.1. Races will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-28 (RRS) including:
  - a. The prescriptions and special regulations of Australian Sailing (AS); and where applicable
  - b. The IMS measurement rule and ORC rating system rules.
- 2.2. Federal and/or State Public Health Orders, regulations or requirements in force on any given day.
- 2.3. General Rules as described in Section 1 of the 2024-25 Bellerive Yacht Club Fixture and Sailing Instruction booklet. Boats shall comply with AS Special Regulations Part 1, Category 7. A permanently installed VHF transceiver is mandatory (This amends Special Regulation 3.25.1(b)).
- 2.4. The Organising Authority (OA) may amend any detail of this Notice of Race (NoR) before 17:00 on 12 June 2025.

- 2.5. The minimum number of adult crew to be on board shall be three (3) unless the boat is competing in the 2 Handed Group or dispensation sought in writing from the OA is granted by the Race Committee before a race.

### **3. CHANGES TO CLASS RULES AND RRS**

- 3.1. RRS 52 is changed:
- i. to allow adjustment of movable ballast or canting keels on any boat and the use of stored power to do so; and
  - ii. to allow the use of stored power for sail handling and sail trimming on any boat.
- 3.2. RRS 55.2 is changed to allow the use of fixed or retractable spinnaker poles and bowsprits for the purpose of setting asymmetrical spinnakers.
- 3.3. RRS A5.1 is changed by adding the following to each “The Race Committee may apply penalties without a hearing to boats which infringe the Sailing Instructions relating to keeping clear of start and finish lines. Penalties shall be as specified in the Sailing Instructions.”
- 3.4. Appendix T Arbitration of the RSS applies.

### **4. ELIGIBILITY**

- 4.1. Entry is open to owners of boats who are members of clubs affiliated with Australian Sailing.
- 4.2. Crew Declaration.
- 4.2.1. For each race a boat shall submit a Crew Declaration via TOPYACHT before their Warning Signal.
  - 4.2.2. The Crew Declaration shall confirm that the boat intends to race and shall include required details of persons on board as follows:
    - i. Name;
    - ii. Contact phone number; and
    - iii. Australian Sailing Number in accordance with NoR 4.3.
  - 4.2.3. Boats that do not comply with NoR 4.2.1 and NoR 4.2.2 will be scored DSQ without a hearing for the relevant race. This changes A5.1 RRS (2025-28).
- 4.3. All participating crew members shall be a member of a club affiliated to AS or hold a valid Sail Pass. The Race Committee reserves the right to accept, reject or cancel any entry.
- 4.4. Boats entering ORCc must have a current (as at 15 June 2025), valid audited 2024 ORCc certificate or a current (as at 15 June 2025), valid 2024 ORCi certificate which will apply for the duration of the Winter Series. For the avoidance of doubt, audited certificates are those where measurements have been supplied by an approved measurer meaning that certificates incorporating “owner” measurements are not used.
- 4.5. Two-handed measurement system handicaps (including ratings, TCF and/or allowances) are not used in the calculation of race results unless there is a Two Handed Group .

- 4.6. Competitors who join the series after one (1) or more races have been run will be awarded a 'Late Entrant' score for each earlier race. The 'Late Entrant' score will be Did Not Compete (DNC) score for the first (non-abandoned) race run after the competitor joins the pennant. Previously allocated DNC for other boats will not be altered. This score will also apply to boats that have entered ORCc but have not provided the appropriate rating certificate. This changes RRS A5.

## 5. ENTRY

- 5.1. Entries shall be lodged on the BYC website no later than 17:00 on Thursday 12 June 2025. Late entries may be accepted after this time at the absolute discretion of the Race Committee.
- 5.2. No entry will be deemed to have been accepted until approved by the Race Committee.
- 5.3. Entry fees

Series Entry ( PHS)	\$80
• ORCc	\$45 each
Individual Race Day Entry (incl. PHS)	\$20
• ORCc	\$15 each

## 6. INSURANCE

- 6.1. All competing boats are required to have a current Certificate of Insurance for the period of the pennant including Third Party Liability and Public Liability Insurance of not less than AUS \$10,000,000 (ten million dollars) for any one (1) incident.

## 7. SCHEDULE OF RACES

RACE	DAY	DATE	START	FIRST WARNING SIGNAL
Day 1	Sunday	15 June 2025	Midriver	09:35
Day 2	Sunday	6 July 2025	Midriver	09:35
Day 3	Sunday	27 July 2025	Midriver	09:35
Day 4	Sunday	17 August 2025	Midriver	09:35
Day 5	Sunday	31 August 2025	Midriver	09:35

## 8. GROUP ALLOCATION

- 8.1. Boats will be allocated to Groups by the Race Committee using Time Correction Factors (TCF) based on the Performance Handicapping System (PHS).
- 8.2. If there are sufficient entries there will be a Non Spinnaker Group otherwise non spinnaker boats will be allocated to an appropriate Group.
- 8.3. If there are sufficient entries there will be a 2 Handed Group otherwise these boats will be allocated to an appropriate Group.

## **9. RACES**

- 9.1. All Groups will have one race on each race day of the Winter Series.

## **10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 10.1. Sailing Instructions will be available from BYC no later than Saturday 14 June 2025 and will be posted on the BYC website.

## **11. OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD**

- 11.1. The official notice board is located on the Notice Board opposite the Sailing Office. Notices to Competitors will also be posted on the online Official Notice Board.

## **12. RACING AREA**

- 12.1. The waters of the River Derwent.

## **13. COURSES**

- 13.1. As described in the Sailing Instructions.

## **14. SCORING**

- 14.1. Races shall be scored based on handicap or rating system. For ORCc this will be the Single Number Scoring Option, All Purpose (AP) Time on Time as printed on the certificate.
- 14.2. The Winter Series will consist of five races with discards as described in NoR 14.4 and 14.5 respectively.
- 14.3. A minimum of two (2) races are required to be completed to constitute the Winter Series.
- 14.4. Winter Series Scores
  - 14.4.1. When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
  - 14.4.2. When five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race score excluding her worst score.
  - 14.4.3. Rule A5.3 shall apply to boats that came to the starting area but did not start, did not sail the course, did not finish, retired or was disqualified.

## **15. PRIZES**

- 15.1. A Winter Series Pennant will be awarded to the first boat in each Group.
- 15.2. Additional prizes and individual race day prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

## **16. SAFETY**

- 16.1. The attention of all persons taking part in the BYC Winter Series races is drawn to the requirement to comply with the Marine Safety (Misuse of Alcohol) Act, 2006.
- 16.2. Safety Category requirement for the BYC Winter Series is Category 7 except that a fully operational permanently installed VHF transceiver is mandatory. This changes AS SR 3.25.1(b).

- 16.3. For sports boats and boats without full lifelines, AS Special Regulations Part 1, Section 5, 5.01.1 (j) (Lifejackets) shall apply.
- 16.4. It is also recommended that entrants have a Man Overboard procedure that crew members have practiced.
- 16.5. Boats must report any serious on-water incidents to the Race Officer/Race Committee as soon as practical (for example man overboard, collision, grounding or crew injury).
- 16.6. Boats must give way to ocean going ships under command of a pilot (displaying Code flag H) or be under command of a Pilot Exempt master (flying a plain White flag)" as per regulation 29 of the Marine and Safety (Pilotage and Navigation) Regulations 2017.

## **17. MEDIA RIGHTS**

- 17.1. The owner or charterer of a competing boat and all crew members shall grant BYC the unconditional, perpetual right and authority to publish and broadcast anywhere in the world, for any purpose and in any medium, names, images, data of the crew and still and moving images of the boat and its crew prior to, during and after any BYC Winter Series race.

## **18. PRIVACY NOTICE**

- 18.1. Personal information about crew members is obtained in the crew lists for use in case of emergency. If necessary, the information will be provided to Emergency Service Organisations and may be passed on by them to other organisations as required. A condition of entry is that crew members are to be informed of this and advised that they may obtain access to the information held about them by contacting the Organising Authority.

## **19. LIABILITY DISCLAIMER**

- 19.1. All persons taking part in this pennant, whether as entrants or otherwise, do so at their own risk and responsibility. Particular attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 3 Decision to Race. "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue *racing* is hers alone."
- 19.2. The BYC their executives, boards, servants and agents and all other parties involved with the conduct and organisation of the Winter Series disclaim any and every responsibility for loss, damage, injury, death or inconvenience that might occur to persons or property, both ashore and/ or afloat, as a consequence of participation in the races covered by this NoR and by the Sailing Instructions.
- 19.3. The BYC is not individually or collectively responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.