



BELLERIVE YACHT CLUB

TWILIGHT SERIES 2025-26

NOTICE OF RACE

Series 1 - 8 October to 17 December 2025

Series 2 – 14 January to 25 March 2026

Women's Twilight – 3 December 2025, 28 January and 11 March 2026

Twilight Pursuit Race – 22 October 2025

The notation [NP] in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule.

This Changes RRS 60.1(a)

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY – Bellerive Yacht Club Inc. (BYC)
2. RULES
 - 2.1. Races will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2025-28 of World Sailing, the Special Regulations and prescriptions of Australian Sailing (AS).
 - 2.2. General Rules as described in Section 1 of the 2025-26 BYC Fixture and Sailing Instruction booklet.
 - 2.3. Boats shall comply with AS Special Regulations Part 1, Category 7.
 - 2.4. The minimum number of adult crew to be on board shall be two (2).
 - 2.5. Off the wind sails (e.g. spinnakers, bloopers, code zero, jib top etc.) are not permitted. Only one sail may be carried forward of the mainmast unless the boat is obviously a cutter rig. A sail must be tacked down on its normal fitting and be fully attached to the stay or mast on which it is normally set. Headsails shall not be set flying.
 - 2.6. Appendix T Arbitration of the RSS applies.
 - 2.7. Appendix A 2.2 of the RRS does not apply.

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. In addition to the requirements described in NoR 2.4 a boat shall carry an operational VHF radio (this can be a Handheld unit). This changes AS SR 3.25.1(b)

3.3. Boats without lifelines complying with AS Special Regulation 3.12, AS Special Regulations Part 1, Section 5, 5.01.1 (j) (Lifejackets) shall apply.

3.4. RRS A5.1 is changed by adding the following “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.”

4. ELIGIBILITY

4.1. Entry is open to owner/s of a boat, who is/are a member/s of a club 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. The Crew Declaration shall confirm that the boat intends to race and shall include required details of each person on board as follows:

- i. Name;
- ii. Contact phone number; and
- iii. Australian Sailing Number in accordance with NoR 4.3.

4.3. Boats that do not comply with NoR 4.2 will be scored DSQ without a hearing for the relevant race. This changes RRS A5.1.

4.4. All crew members must comply with the AS Prescription to RRS 46. All participating crew members shall be a member of a club affiliated to AS or hold a valid Sail Pass.

4.5. The Race Committee reserves the right to accept, reject or cancel any entry.

5. ENTRY

- 5.1. Entries shall be lodged via the BYC website no later than 17:00 on the Tuesday before the race. Late entries may be accepted after this time at the absolute discretion of the BYC Race Committee.

4.6. Entry Fees

Twilight Season entry (2 series block entry) \$145

Series 1 entry (includes Pursuit and Christmas Race) \$90

Series 2 entry \$80

Individual Race entry \$15

Women's Twilight Series Entry are no charge but boats must still submit an entry on TopYacht.

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

- Series 1: 8 Oct, 15 Oct, 29 Oct, 5 Nov, 12 Nov, 19 Nov, 26 Nov, 10 Dec.
- Twilight Pursuit Race: 22 Oct.
- A Christmas trophy race will be held on 17 Dec.
- Women's Twilight Series: 3 Dec, 28 Jan, 11 Mar.
- Series 2: 14 Jan, 21 Jan, 4 Feb, 11 Feb, 18 Feb, 25 Feb, 4 Mar, 18 Mar, 25 Mar.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 8.1. Sailing Instructions will be available from BYC no later than 1 October 2025 and placed on the BYC website. Separate sailing instructions will be issued for the Twilight Pursuit Race. In the event of a conflict between this Notice of Race and the Sailing instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall apply.

9. OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD

- 9.1. The official notice board for each race is located opposite the Sailing Office. There will also be an online Notice Board.

10. RACING AREA

- 10.1. The waters of the River Derwent north of a line between Cartwright Point and Trywork Point.

11. COURSES

- 11.1. As described in the Sailing Instructions.

12. SCORING SYSTEMS AND PRIZES

- 12.1. Placings on corrected time based on PHS handicaps will be used to score points and award prizes where applicable.
- 12.2. RRS A5.3 will apply.
- 12.3. Twilight Series: Five races must be completed to constitute a series. If five races are completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. If six, seven or eight races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. If nine or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- 12.4. Women's Twilight Series: One race must be completed to constitute a series; all races will count.
- 12.5. Pursuit Race (22 Oct) and Christmas Race (17 Dec) are not part of Series 1 for scoring purposes.

13. SAFETY

- 13.1. The attention of all persons taking part in the Twilight Series is drawn to the requirement to comply with the Marine Safety (Misuse of Alcohol) Act 2006.
- 13.2. It is recommended that entrants have a Man Overboard procedure that crew members have practiced.
- 13.3. 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).
- 13.4. Attention is also drawn to the MAST requirements "every vessel, commercial and recreational, motor or sail, 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.

14. MEDIA RIGHTS

- 14.1. The owner or charterer of a competing boat and all crew members shall grant the organising authority 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 the Twilight Series races.

15. PRIVACY NOTICE

- 15.1. The 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.

16. RISK STATEMENT

- 16.1. 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.**

17. LIABILITY DISCLAIMER

- 17.1. BYC, its executives, boards, servants and agents and all other parties involved with the conduct and organisation of the Twilight 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 race covered by this NoR and by the Sailing Instructions.
- 17.2. BYC is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.