



2025-26 Pursuit Race

Sponsored by

Section 44 Distillery

**Conducted by Bellerive Yacht Club on Saturday 6 of December
2025 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

ELIGIBILITY: Entries will be accepted online via TopYacht. Entrants will be classified into divisions (based on performance). Entries must be lodged by 17:00 on Friday 5 December 2025. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee.

STARTING TIME: A list of entries will be published on the BYC notice board and website by 10:30 on Saturday 6 December 2025. Copies will be available to all entrants. This list will give the minute indicating the starting time for each yacht after the Start Time. The Start Time for the first yacht is 13:00.

STARTING AND FINISHING LINE: Victoria Esplanade Box. The BYC Burgee will be flown from the flagpole of the Victoria Esplanade Box whilst race officials are in attendance. The starting and finishing line will be between the flagpole of that box and a black and white chequered inflatable mark laid approximately west of that box. Yachts shall start between the black and white inflatable mark and a green flag mark laid approximately on the starting line.

SIGNALS FOR STARTING: This changes Rule 26. A preparatory signal will be made five minutes before the starting time of the first boat(s) to start. The course signal will be displayed at or before this time. The preparatory signal will be lowered at the start time of the first boat(s).

STARTING PROCEDURE: This changes Rule 26. The starting time for each yacht will be the display of its indicated minute after the starting signal by a numeral on the Victoria Esplanade Box. For example, a yacht shown as due to start at 15 minutes may start at the instant when the numerals 14 are replaced with the numerals 15. One hour after the starting signal. Code Flag H will be hoisted and boards indicating starting times will recommence at 00. If there is a significant time gap between starters then display of numeral boards may be ceased and restarted no later than 5 minutes before the next boat to start.

RECALLS: This changes Rule 29.1. There will be no recall signal, and it is the responsibility of each yacht to determine whether it is over the starting line at its starting time. A yacht which infringes and fails to start subsequently to the satisfaction of the RO is subject to a penalty of three places unless it is scored as OCS by the Race Committee. The RO may elect to notify an infringement by making two sound signals in any case.

TIME LIMIT

The Time Limit will be 17:30. Boats that have not then finished will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. In the event that some divisions do finish within the time limit but others don't, prizes for other "non-finishing" divisions will be awarded by lucky boat draw (skipper must be present to win).

COURSES:

Indicated by code flags flown from Victoria Esplanade box. Marks are to be rounded as shown below.

Course A: Start → 1 → 2 → 3 → 4 Finish. All marks to be rounded and left to STARBOARD

Course B: Start → 4 → 3 → 2 → 1 → Finish. All marks to be rounded and left to PORT

MARKS:

Mark 1: Orange permanent float mark approximately 0.4 n mile SW of Tranmere Point (Mark T).

Mark 2: Orange inflatable mark approximately 0.6 n mile NNW of Gellibrand Point.

Mark 3: Orange inflatable mark approximately 0.5 n mile E of Crayfish Point.

Mark 4: Yellow permanent mark 1.2 n mile SSE of Kangaroo Bluff (BYC2 Permanent).

MARK BOATS: Mark boats may be stationed in the vicinity of each mark and may record yachts as they round each mark.

PROTESTS: Protests must be lodged at the BYC Office not later than one hour after the finishing time of the last yacht to finish. Protests will be heard at the BYC at a date and time to be advised.

PRIZES – Compliments of Section 44 Distillery:

First, second and third across the line.

Division prizes will also be awarded depending on number of entries.

Yachts winning prizes for 1st, 2nd or 3rd across the line are not eligible for division prizes.

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES: Prizes will be presented in the BYC Clubhouse after the race.

NOTE: River Derwent Safety Facilities and Procedures as per Section 1 of the Bellerive Yacht Club 2025-26 Fixture Book apply.

