



South of Perth Yacht Club (Inc)
64th Sailing Season 2009-2010



RED WITCH YACHTING ASSOCIATION (INC.)
35TH STATE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES
Friday 12 to Sunday, 14 March 2010

Notice of Race & Sailing Instructions





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NOTICE OF RACE

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1. Rules

- 1.1. The organising authority is South of Perth Yacht Club (Inc).
- 1.2. Races will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.3. The rules of the relevant class or association will apply.
- 1.4. The SoPYC general Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions for 2009-10 do not apply except as noted.

2. Eligibility

- 2.1. The event is open only to boats of the relevant class.
- 2.2. To be eligible a boat shall be;
 - (a) Registered with a class or club affiliated with a Yachting Australia member yachting association,
 - (b) Skipped by a current member of an affiliated yacht club and the class association, who shall helm the boat at all times, unless changed in accordance with the sailing instructions.
 - (c) Crew over the age of 12 years shall be a financial member of the class association.

3. Nomination, Fees and Entry

- 3.1. Eligible boats may nominate by lodging a completed Nomination Form together with any required fees at the On Water Group office, South of Perth Yacht Club by the closing time. Entries received after the closing time but prior to 2 hours before the race will be accepted subject to payment of a late entry fee.
 - (a) Entry fee: \$150
 - (b) Late entry fee: \$25
 - (c) Entry closing time: 1700, 5 March 2010
 - (d) A reduction in nomination fee may be considered based on demonstrated financial hardship

- 3.2. An eligible boat will be entered in the series the first time it starts in a race of the series.

4. Change of Skipper

A boat may make a change of skipper subject to the approval of the race committee.

5. Measurement

Measuring may be arranged with the Association's Chief Measurer, Mr Ted Heysed, Mobile No. 0408 858 658.

6. Category

Races will be classified Category 7 unless otherwise advised.

7. Advertising

A boat or competitor intending to carry advertising as defined by ISAF Regulation 20.3(d), shall notify the race committee.

8. Courses

Races will be conducted on Melville Water. Courses will be Fixed Marks (club courses) or Laid Marks.

9. Schedule of Events

| DATE | RACE | TIME/WARNING SIGNAL | COURSE & AREA |
|----------|-----------------------|---------------------|---|
| 12/03/10 | | 0800 | Arrivals sign-in |
| | | 1130 | Regatta Welcome & Briefing by the Race Officer – Archie's Bar |
| | 1 | 1355 | Fixed Mark Course Mid River Start and Finish Melville Water |
| | | 1800 | Awards & Welcome BBQ – Archie's Bar |
| 13/03/10 | 2, 3 & 4 back to back | 0900 | W-L Melville Water East |
| | 5 | 1325 ⁽¹⁾ | Fixed Mark Course Mid River Start MWE |
| | | | Saturday Results Announcements Centreboard Clubhouse - Light Dinner |
| 14/03/10 | 6, 7 & 8 back to back | 0900 | W-L Melville Water East |
| | 9 | 1400 | Fixed Mark Course Mid River Start and Finish Melville Water |
| | | 1800 | Announcement of Results and Prizes - Presentation Dinner – Wardroom |

Note (1) – Time of the first warning signal is the scheduled commencement of the SoPYC keelboats start sequence. All fleets shall start in the order indicated by display of the relevant class flags on the race committee start boat.

10. Sailing Instructions

Sailing instructions will be available approximately 7 days before the event from the On Water Group and at www.sopyc.com.au.

11. Berthing

- 11.1. Limited berthing is available at South of Perth Yacht Club but subject to written approval of the OA.
- 11.2. Boats which have nominated may set up and launch at the South of Perth Yacht Club launch ramp.
- 11.3. Cars and Trailers associated with competing boats shall be parked on the limestone hardstand area.

12. Scoring

- 12.1. Scoring will be in accordance with rules Appendix A.
- 12.2. Handicaps will be determined by the class association. Initial handicaps will be posted on the race notice board prior to the first race.
- 12.3. Boats complying with SoPYC general NoR 2 will also be scored separately for race 5 in club consistency series.
- 12.4. Boats finishing in the first three places in the championship will be excluded from overall consistency results.
- 12.5. Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.6. When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 12.7. When from 4 to 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 12.8. When from 7 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst two scores.

13. Prizes

- 13.1. Prizes and pennants will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places on scratch and handicap. The overall winner on handicap will be presented with the Lantern Perpetual Trophy.
- 13.2. Prizes and pennants will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places on consistency.
- 13.3. Championship prize winners will be ineligible for the handicap trophies.

14. Radio Communication

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. Insurance

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

16. Disclaimer

Competitors participate entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race which states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.

The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained prior to, during, or after any event. No boat shall start in any race unless it agrees to these terms.



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NOMINATION FORM

FOR THE EVENT: _____

TO BE HELD ON: _____

Please return this form (with full payment of the entry fee, if applicable) in accordance with NOR. 3.

SKIPPER: _____

YACHT CLUB: _____

CLASS/FLEET: _____

BOAT NAME: _____ SAIL NO: _____

CONTACT EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

CONTRACT ADDRESS: _____

SUBURBS & STATE: _____ POSTCODE: _____

PHONE: _____ MOBILE: _____ FAX: _____

- I agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and by all the other rules that govern this event.*
- The boat is insured in accordance with the requirements of NoR 14.*
- I have read the disclaimer detailed in NoR 15 and accept the obligations as stated therein.*

PAYMENT OPTIONS: *(please mark appropriate payment option and maintain a receipt of the transaction)*

NOMINATION FEE:

Please find enclosed a cheque made payable to the South of Perth Yacht Club Inc." for \$ _____

Please charge my credit card (Mastercard Visa) the amount of: \$ _____

Name of Card Holder:

Card Number #

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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2. Notices to Competitors

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the race notice board located in the foyer of the Clubhouse. The race office is the South of Perth On Water Group office.

3. Changes to the Sailing Instructions

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than 2 hours before the scheduled warning signal on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the day before it will take effect.

4. Signals made ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the signal mast on the Clubhouse north east lawn.
- 4.2 When flag AP displayed ashore means '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals.

5. Schedule of Events

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6. Identification – Fleet Identification, Warning Signals, Sail Number

- 6.1 Boats shall clearly display their sail number in accordance with rule 77
- 6.2 Boats shall display their class identification flag from the backstay or mainsail leech when racing.
- 6.3 A boat may request temporary use of alternative sail numbers in writing to the Race Committee.
- 6.4 A boat that breaks this rule will be penalised 25%.

7. Safety

- 7.1 Races are classified Category 7. Boats shall comply with YA Special Regulations Part 1 for Racing Boats.
- 7.2 Boats shall 'sign-on' for each race by sailing in the vicinity of the starting line prior to the warning signal and receiving acknowledgement from the start boat. Attention is drawn to rule 23.1
- 7.3 A boat that retires shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. A boat that breaks this rule will be scored DNE without a hearing.
- 7.4 A boat shall have at least one person on board, who is competent to handle the boat, in addition to the skipper.
- 7.5 The skipper shall not leave the helm while racing except in an emergency.

8. Courses

- 8.1 The course will be designated by a numeral pennant corresponding to the course number, displayed below the fleet identification flag. The courses are detailed in the appendices.

8.2 Fixed Mark (club) Courses - Appendix B

(a) Marks, and Starting and Finishing Marks

- Marks will be Swan River yacht racing fixed marks.
- The Mid River Start Line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat at the starboard end and a black and white chequered inflatable buoy at the port end. A buoy displaying a green and white flag, when streamed from the stern, shall be deemed to be part of the race committee boat and no boat shall touch the mark or pass between it and the race committee boat.
- The Box Finish Line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Start Box and the outermost of two yellow pyramid buoys. The inner yellow buoy will mark the extent but not necessarily the position of the line and shall be left on the same hand as the Start Box.

(b) Shortening the Course – Fixed Marks

The race committee may shorten a course before or after the start. This changes rule 32.1

Before the Starting Signal.

If flag S is displayed below the course flag no later than the warning signal, then the marks prefixed * in the course description shall be omitted.

After the Starting Signal.

In addition to rule 32.2; if flag S is displayed together with the SoPYC pennant, adjacent to a mark of the course, thereafter the marks prefixed * in the course description shall be omitted.

(c) Day Buoy

Flag Q displayed at the warning signal indicates a day buoy has been laid to windward of the starting line. Flag Q with a red flag means 'After starting, boats shall round the red day buoy and then round the yellow clearance buoy, leaving both to port, before continuing to the first mark of the course'. A green flag has the same meaning except both buoys shall be left to starboard.

(d) Obstructions

The area and the lines listed are designated obstructions that boats shall not enter, or cross, as applicable.

- the area bounded by the four navigational marks defining Heathcote Channel;
- an imaginary line between Bricklanding (33A) and (33B) buoys;
- an imaginary line between Smith Buoy (35A) and Lucky Bay Buoy (35B)

A boat which breaks this rule and notifies the race committee within the protest time limit may accept a penalty of 40% in accordance with SI 12.4.

- (e) Boats shall pass all navigation marks on the deepwater side, except Outer Dolphin (17) and Foam Spit (18) which may be passed on either side.
- (f) When a mark is missing boats shall round at its usual position. Rule 34(b) is deleted.

8.3 Laid Courses – Appendix C

- (a) The course diagram shows the course, the marks, the direction and the order in which the marks are to be passed.
- (b) Marks, and Starting and Finishing Marks
The Start/Finish Line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat at one end and a

black and white chequered inflatable buoy at the other. A buoy displaying a green and white flag, when streamed from the stern, shall be deemed to be part of the race committee boat and no boat shall touch the mark or pass between it and the race committee boat.

(c) Shortening the Course

The course may be shortened in accordance with rule 32.2

(d) Changing the Course

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark, as described on the course diagram (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

9. Line in Use – Fixed and Laid Courses

A conspicuous orange flag displayed at a start or finish line will identify a line in use by a river club. A boat shall not pass in either direction through a line in use except between its preparatory signal and starting, when finishing or when using a mark of the line as a rounding mark. Boats which break this rule may accept a penalty of 40% in accordance with SI 12.4.

10. The Start

10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat at the starboard end and a black and white chequered inflatable buoy at the port end.

10.2 During a combined fleet start, when a general recall is signalled, rule 29.2 and race signal, 'First Substitute' are changed and a new warning signal for the first recalled fleet will be made at the starting signal of the last fleet in the original sequence. New starts for other recalled fleets will follow in order thereafter.

A general recall signal will be displayed for 1 minute.

10.3 The starting line will remain open for any boat until 10 minutes after the starting signal for the last fleet. Boats starting after that time will be scored DNS without a hearing.

11. Time Limits

Time limits will be as listed. This changes rule 35, A4 and A5

Fixed Mark courses – Boats failing to finish by 1730 will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing.

Laid Mark courses – The time limit is 50 minutes. Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes of the first boat will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing.

12. Protests, Redress, Mediation and Penalties Without a Hearing

12.1 Protest forms are available at the OWG office in the clubhouse foyer. Protests, requests for redress and scoring enquiries shall be lodged there within the appropriate time limit.

12.2 The time limit for protests and requests shall be 1 hour after the last boat in the fleet has finished.

12.3 Mediation

Protests lodged in accordance with rule 61 which allege an infringement of a rule of Part 2, Part 4 or rule 28 will subject to mediation in accordance with Appendix A, 'Protest Mediation Guidelines'.

12.4 Penalties Without a Hearing

A boats which breaks a sailing instruction for which a penalty is prescribed may accept a scoring penalty in accordance with rule 44.3 except that the penalty will be the percentage stated in the instruction. A yellow flag is not required. A boat so penalised may request redress.

12.5 A list of boats protested in accordance with rule 61, or penalised under SI 12.4, will be posted by 10 minutes after the protest time limit. This notice will be deemed to be sufficient notice of protest under rule 61.1(b) for any boat which does not accept a scoring penalty in accordance with SI 12.4.

12.6 If the race committee becomes aware it may have made a scoring mistake, or when requested by a boat which lodges a Scoring Enquiry form, it may correct the error.

13. Scoring

13.1 Scoring will be in accordance with rules Appendix A.

13.2 Handicaps will be determined by the class association. Initial handicaps will be posted on the race notice board prior to the first race.

13.3 Boats complying with SoPYC general NoR 2 will also be scored separately for their club consistency series.

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15. Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

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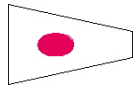
Appendix A – Mediation Guidelines

- A1 Mediation hearings will be conducted as soon as practicable after a protest is lodged and prior to any protest hearing.
- A2 A mediator will be appointed by the race committee and will decide the time and place of the hearing. Notice of the hearing may be given verbally.
- A3 A mediation hearing shall not proceed without a representative of each boat present. No witnesses will be allowed. The mediator will decide the manner in which testimony is given.
- A4 At the conclusion of the mediation hearing and in the presence of the parties the mediator shall make one of the following conclusions;
- (a) The protest does not comply with rule 61 and the protestor may withdraw the protest.
 - (b) The matter shall proceed to a protest hearing for any reason decided by the mediator.
 - (c) No rule was broken and the protestor may withdraw the protest.
 - (d) A rule was broken by one or more of the boats involved; the infringing boat(s) will be penalised 40% accordance with SI 12.4. If so accepted the protestor shall withdraw the protest. This changes rule 63.1.
- A5 A mediation hearing shall not be re-opened. No conclusion of a mediator shall be subject to appeal or be grounds for redress.
- A6 Should the matter proceed to a protest hearing the mediator may be a member of the protest committee. The parties to the hearing may question evidence given by a mediator.

Appendix B –Fixed Mark course

Courses 1 - 4

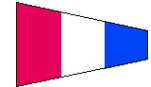
Course 1 (SW or NE)



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| Start, vicinity of Como Buoy (65) | |
| Bricklanding Buoys (33a, 33b) | S |
| Dolphin West Buoy (42a) | S |
| Bricklanding Buoys (33a, 33b) | S |
| Bishop Buoy (74) | P |
| North Point Walter Buoy (26a) | P |
| Miller Buoy (28) | P |
| Bond Spit (38) | P |
| Dolphin East Buoy (42b) | S |
| Sampson Spit (19) | S |
| * Deepwater Spit (27) | S |
| * Dolphin East Buoy (42b) | S |
| * Sampson Spit (19) | S |
| Finish | Box |

Course 15.6 nm Short 12.0 nm

Course 3 (NW or SE)



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|-----------------------------------|-----|
| Start, vicinity of Como Buoy (65) | |
| Hallmark Buoy (41a) | P |
| Frenchman's Buoy (60) | S |
| Bartlett Buoy (39) | S |
| King Buoy (61) | S |
| Bartlett Buoy (39) | S |
| Foam Buoy (55) | S |
| * Frenchman's Buoy (60) | S |
| * Bartlett Buoy (39) | S |
| * Sampson Spit (19) | S |
| Finish | Box |

Course 11.9 nm; Short 8.8 nm

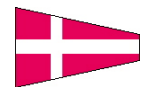
Course 2 (E OR W)



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| Start, vicinity of Foam Buoy | |
| Smith Buoy (35a) | P |
| Lucky Bay Buoy (35b) | P |
| Squadron Buoy (37) | P |
| Dolphin East Buoy (42b) | S |
| Sampson Spit (19) | S |
| Robins Buoy (59) | S |
| Dolphin East Buoy (42b) | S |
| * Robins Buoy (59) | S |
| * Dolphin East Buoy (42b) | S |
| * Sampson Spit (19) | S |
| Finish | Box |

Course 12.4 nm; Short 9.3 nm

Course 4 (Alternate SW)



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|-----------------------------------|-----|
| Start, vicinity of Como Buoy (65) | |
| Bricklanding Buoys (33a, 33b) | S |
| Dolphin West Buoy (42a) | S |
| Smith Buoy (35a) | P |
| Luck Bay Buoy (35b) | P |
| Squadron Buoy (37) | P |
| Dolphin East Buoy (42b) | S |
| Sampson Spit (19) | S |
| * Robins Buoy (59) | S |
| * Dolphin East Buoy (42b) | S |
| * Sampson Spit (19) | S |
| Finish | Box |

Course 12.7 nm; Short 9.6 nm

Attachment B – Laid Mark course diagram

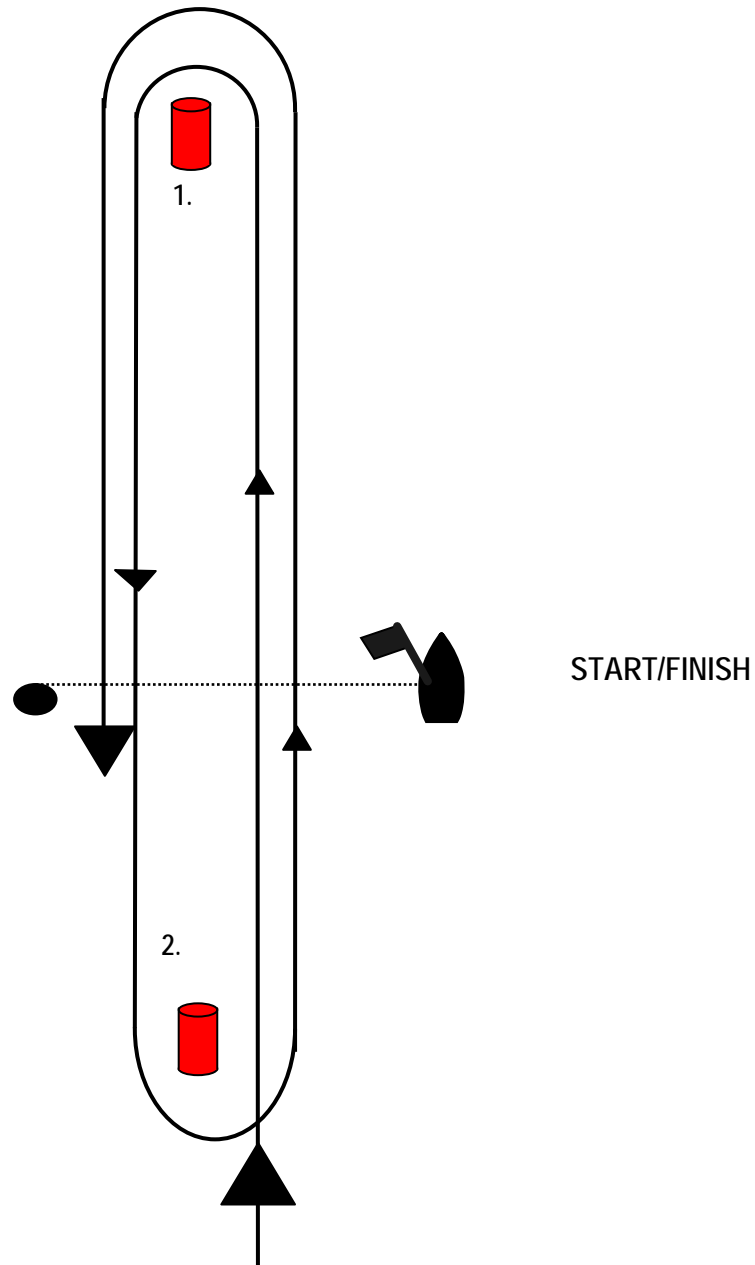
Course 5



Course: START – 1 – 2 – 1 – FINISH

Marks: RED inflatable buoys

New Mark: YELLOW inflatable buoy



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