

NOTICE OF RACE

Mooloolaba Yacht Club Sailing Season 2017/2018

Races Covered by this Notice of Race will be those races designated as club events in the MYC Sailing Program 2017/2018.

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority for all events will be the Mooloolaba Yacht Club Ltd (MYC).

2. RULES

- 2.1 All races will be governed by the rules as defined in Australian Sailing (AS), The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020.
- 2.2 The rules and regulations of the respective Class Associations.
- 2.3 The AS-Special-Regulations-Part-1-Keelboats, 2017-2020 except where modified by these Sailing Instructions.
- 2.4 Skippers and Owners are reminded of Special Regulations Part 1, Rule 1.01.2 indicating the Special Regulations are supplementary to requirements of governmental authority, the Rules of Racing, and the rules of class associations and rating systems.
- 2.5 Between the hours of sunset and sunrise, the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCS) shall replace the rules of Part 2 When Boats Meet.
- 2.6 The Australia Sailing (AS) 2017-2020 Special Regulations Part 1, Sections 1-8, shall apply.
- 2.7 The Safety Category for each race will be designated in the Sailing Instructions.

3. ADVERTISING

Events shall be classified as Category C in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20, Advertising Code and the prescriptions of the AS. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Events are open to all boats on the MYC Boat Register and boats on the register of clubs or other organisations affiliated with Australia Sailing (AS) and to boats not yet on a club register (non-member).
- 4.2 MYC has Temporary Membership to enable crew who are not already a member of a YA affiliated club to race with the MYC. After three (3) races crew must join the MYC to continue sailing with the club.
- 4.3 It shall be the responsibility of the person in charge of a boat to ensure that all crew on board for each race comply with these rules.
- 4.4 Eligible boats may be entered for Wednesday Afternoon Members' Sail (WAMS), Sunday Afternoon Members' Sail (SAMS), Wednesday Fun Sail (WFS) and Sunday Fun Sail (SFS) races by signing-on with the Officer of the Day (OOD) on the day of the race.
- 4.5 For all other series, eligible boats may enter by forwarding the required documentation from the following list to MYC or by lodging it with the OOD on the day of the race -.
 - (a) Completed entry form including proof of membership of a AS affiliated club;
 - (b) Entry fee;
 - (c) Safety compliance form (available from the MYC website);
 - (d) Fully completed crew list on the form provided (if required).
 - (e) Copy of boat insurance (Certificate of Currency)
- 4.6 For the Lady Helmspersons' Races, boats wishing to be included in the results for this series shall have a female helm throughout the designated race.

5. FEES

MYC members may enter an individual race by paying the published entry fee.

6. SCHEDULE

The schedule of races will be as per the MYC Sailing Program 2017/2018 published and updated from time to time on the website www.mooloolabayachtclub.com.au

7. MEASUREMENTS

Where applicable, each boat shall submit to the MYC a valid measurement certificate or rating certificate at least two (2) days prior to racing.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be published on the website www.mooloolabayachtclub.com.au. Supplementary Sailing Instructions (SSIs) for Club events may be issued in the MYC Sailing Program.

9. COURSES

The Courses will be defined in the Sailing Instructions.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

The penalty for breaking a rule of Part 2 shall be a One Turn Penalty (one tack and one gybe in the same direction). This changes RRS 44.1 and 44.2.

11. HANDICAPPING

- 11.1 The official Performance Handicap list will be issued by the MYC. The MYC at its absolute discretion, reserves the right to alter or adjust any performance handicap prior to the scheduled starting time of the race concerned.
- 11.2 MYC reserves the right to alter or adjust, at any time, any handicap found to be incorrectly published in Supplementary Sailing Instructions or incorrectly calculated.
- 11.3 The Sailing Committee or its nominee may at its absolute discretion review any boat's handicap where it's of the opinion that due to anomaly, error or change of racing trim or equipment, the handicap is considered unfair or unreasonable.
- 11.4 Allocated handicaps will not be the subject of protest or dispute.
- 11.5 WFS / SFS Non-Pointscore races and WAMS races will be conducted under the Pursuit Race handicapping system. 3 or more boats are required to constitute a race. No boat to start before 1215. The following time adjustment changes will be made at the completion of each race.
 - 5 boats or more entered: 1st + 3 minutes; 2nd + 2 minutes; 3rd + 1 minute. Incremental minute start time subtraction for boats finishing 5th place or worse.
 - 3 or 4 boats entered: 1st + 3 minutes; 2nd + 1 minute; 3rd remains the same. No subtraction from all other starters on the day
 - for yachts that have started, but Did Not Finish, or yachts that did not race on the day handicaps will not change.
- 11.6 SAMS races will be conducted under a Corrected Elapsed Time handicapping system, 3 boats or more must be entered to constitute a race and for handicaps to be adjusted. Handicaps for SAMS will be allocated after a boat has completed its third race
- 11.7 Handicaps for all other events will be PHS, IRC, OMR and/or SMS.
- 11.8 Any modification to the boat, increase in sail area, change of skipper or even change of on board skill must be declared to the MYC.
- 11.9 It is the Skippers obligation to declare any change in or addition to the sail wardrobe including new and replacement sails.

12. SCORING

- 12.1 The Low Point System, RRS Appendix A will apply except that the number of discards allowed will be as amended in 12.2.
- 12.2 The number of scored races and the number of allowed discards shall be listed in the MYC Sailing Program 2017/2018.
- 12.3 Competitors who join a Series after one or more races have been run will be awarded a DNC for each earlier race.

- 12.4 Race scores will be as per Rule A9 as follows. For boats that have come to the Starting Area but Did Not Start (DNS), started but Did Not Finish (DNF) or Retired (RET) will be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that came to the starting area. Boats that Did Not Come to the Start Area (DNC) will be scored points for the finishing place two more than the number of boats that came to the starting area. This changes RRS Rule A9.
- 12.5 For average points to be applied a boat representing the MYC in an away race, or being unable to sail due to start boat commitment, the boat owner must apply in writing to the MYC Sailing Committee. Where granted, average points will be applied at the end of the series.
- 12.6 To be eligible for series points each boat shall sign off confirming their Finish Time
- by radioing in their Finish Time on VHF Channel 77 to MYC Race Control or
 - by sending a Text Message (SMS) to the OOD mobile as advised at sign on within 45 minutes of their Finish Time.

13. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 13.1 All boats shall carry a marine band VHF transceiver capable of receiving and transmitting on Australian marine channels. Boats shall use the radio to report retirement from racing and may use the radio to request assistance in an emergency. No other transmissions are permitted by competing boats during the racing day from the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day. The Race Committee may use the radio to advise competitors of race information. This restriction applies to mobile telephones.
- 13.2 Mooloolaba Coast Guard may monitor Channels 16 and 73 during races.
- 13.3 All MYC radio transmissions relating to racing will be on VHF 77.
- 13.4 All skippers are encouraged to install a cockpit speaker for VHF radio or carry a waterproof handheld VHF in the cockpit or as required by AS Special Regulations Part 1 For Racing Boats in accordance with the race category,

14. PRIZES

- Prizes for races and regatta may be awarded to the winners of the following series or trophy events:
 - The SAMS Series
 - The WAMS Series
 - The Blue Water Series
 - Jim Craddock Memorial Race
 - Anstee Memorial Race
 - Australia Day Regatta
 - Easter Shield (Jim Craddock Memorial Race & BWS)
 - Surf Sail Series
 - Hawkwind Cup & Lady Helmsperson's Series
 - Laurie Jarman Shield
 - Commodore's Trophy
 - Sailing Club Member of the Year
 - Club Member of the Year
 - Club Champion

The SAMS and WAMS Crew Participation awards will be based on nominations by boat owners who have competed in one or more of the SAMS and/or WAMS series during the Sailing Season.

- (i) The boat owner may nominate one crew member for each series and may nominate the same crew member for more than one Series.
- (ii) Those crew nominated must be current financial members of the MYC.
- (iii) The nominations for each Series will be randomly drawn.
- (iv) A crew member can only win one Crew Participation Award for the Sailing Season.

The Club Champion - total of series points excluding drops for The Wharf Tavern Blue Water Series and The Surf Sail Series, Division 1 (Mono) and Division 3 (Multi). In the event of ties, Rule RRS A8.1 will apply.

The Commodore's Trophy – to be decided by the Commodore

15. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in MYC races entirely at their own risk See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The MYC will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after a race.

16. **INSURANCE**

All boats shall carry third party insurance of not less than AUD\$10 Million.

17. **SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

- 17.1 Boats may carry anchors protruding from the bow while racing in Pursuit start races only. In Fleet start races anchors shall not be carried on the bow and boats found to do so shall be penalised.
- 17.2 Minimum crew in any boat shall be two persons.
- 17.3 A boat may use prohibited propulsion after the Preparatory Signal to arrive at the start line provided it carries out a 360 degree turn, keeping clear of all other boats, after ceasing to use such propulsion and before starting (Changes Rule 42.1).
- 17.4 Skippers and Owners are reminded of Special Regulations Part 1, Rule 1.02, Owners Responsibility, outlining their responsibilities for ensuring that their boat is adequate and safe. Skippers are responsible for ensuring that their boat complies with equipment requirements as specified by the race Safety Category. Random equipment audits may be made throughout the Season. Any boat failing to comply with equipment requirements may be subject to protest by the Race Committee.
- 17.5 Skippers should be mindful that until all boats have completed a race each boat in that race is required to act as a safety vessel for all other boats in that race if they require assistance.
- 17.6 A decision to race on any given day does not relieve any competitor of his/her obligation under RRS Fundamental Rule 4, Decision to Race.
- 17.7 Members are requested to fly the club pennant on their vessel when competing in MYC events

18. **AQUATIC EVENT PERMIT**

It is a boat owner's responsibility to remain informed about the conditions of and changes to the MYC's Aquatic Event Permit.

19. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information, contact the MYC Office during office hours: Wednesday – Friday 0900 – 1300:

Address: The Wharf Complex, 123 Parkyn Parade, Mooloolaba

Mobile: 0413 227 013

Email: mooloolabayachtclub@bigpond.com

Postal address: PO Box 90, Mooloolaba QLD 4557.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Mooloolaba Yacht Club Sailing Season 2017/2018

1. RULES

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- 1.2 The rules and regulations of the respective Class Associations.
- 1.3 The AS-Special-Regulations-Part-1-Keelboats, 2017-2020 except where modified by these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4 Skippers and Owners are reminded of Special Regulations Part 1, Rule 1.01.2 indicating the Special Regulations are supplementary to requirements of governmental authority, the Rules of Racing, and the rules of class associations and rating systems.
- 1.5 Between the hours of sunset and sunrise, the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCS) shall replace the rules of Part 2, When Boats Meet.
- 1.6 The Australia Sailing (AS) 2017-2020 Special Regulations Part 1, Sections 1-8, shall apply.
- 1.7 The Safety Category for each race will be designated in the Sailing Instructions.

2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

Notices will be posted on the MYC website and MYC Notice board when available.

3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 For all MYC races, any change to these Sailing Instructions will be posted no later than one (1) hour before it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.
- 3.2 All changes to sailing instructions will be posted on MYC website and MYC Notice board when available.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals ashore may be displayed on the flag mast immediately outside The Wharf Tavern on the southern side.
- 4.2 When an AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 These Sailing Instructions apply to races designated Wednesday Afternoon Members' Sail (WAMS), Wednesday Fun Sail (WFS), Sunday Afternoon Members' Sail (SAMS) and Sunday Fun Sail (SFS) events in the current MYC Sailing Program 2017/2018. SAMS and WAMS are pointscore series, SFS and WFS are non-pointscore events.
- 5.2 The scheduled Warning Signal time will be in the MYC Sailing Program 2017/2018 or in the SSIs.

6. CLASS FLAGS

Division 1	Numeral Pennant 1	Open Monohull
Division 2	Numeral Pennant 2	Open Non-Spinnaker
Division 3	Numeral Pennant 3	Open Multihulls
Division 4	Numeral Pennant 4	Cruising Division combined

7. RACE CANCELLATION

- 7.1 Races will only be cancelled after careful consideration of all weather conditions and their likely impact on the course area.
- 7.2 Racing will not occur if there is a Gale Wind (34 – 47 knots) Warning current.
- 7.3 The Race Committee / OOD shall monitor the current weather conditions, wind speed and forecasts throughout the race.
- 7.4 The decision to race, postpone or abandon will not be made before Sign-On on the day of the race unless circumstances indicate that an earlier decision would be appropriate. This decision is not subject to protest.

8. THE COURSES

Courses will be designated in Attachment F of these Sailing Instructions.

9. MARKS

MYC LAID MARKS

Mark A Laid approximately upwind of the start line at a distance and bearing that may be displayed by the start boat.

Mark A will only be laid if a red/green rounding direction flag is displayed.

Mark N Laid at least 0.45 Nm from the Port Beacon (Beacon no 2) on the transit of the outer Port and Starboard Marks on the retaining walls of the Mooloolah River at approximately 26° 40.293S | 153° 08.084E.

Noosa 26° 22.200S | 153° 05.550E

FIXED MARKS

Gneerings East Cardinal 26° 39.280S | 153° 12.940E

Wolf Rock 25° 54.611S | 153° 11.771E

North West Fairway 26° 48.721S | 153° 10.622E

Flinders Reef North Cardinal Marker 26° 58.191S | 153° 29.463E

Mooloolaba Waverider Buoy (situated off Coolum)

Position approximately 26° 33.960S | 153° 10.870E.

Updated locations available from –

<http://www.qld.gov.au/environment/coasts-waterways/beach/waves-sites/mooloolaba/>

North Moreton Bay Waverider Buoy

Latitude: 26° 53.910' S | Longitude: 153° 16.730' E

Updated locations available from –

<http://www.qld.gov.au/environment/coasts-waterways/beach/waves-sites/north-moreton-bay/>

The above description and positions are for assistance in chart identification only and are not intended for navigational or any other use. The Latitude/Longitude co-ordinates are approximate only. All GPS locations are in DDD.MM.MMM format. WGS Datum 84

10. RACES DESIGNATED NON- EXTRAS

For WAMS and WFS races, boats may only carry normal working sails tacked in the normal position for working to windward. Boats shall not carry additional headsails, spinnakers or the like. Headsails may be poled out, but must be tacked to the foot of the forestay and fully hanked or attached to the forestay by a luff groove device.

11. THE START

- 11.1 For WFS / SFS Non-Pointscore races and WAMS races boats will be allocated Start Times. For SAMS races boats will be allocated a fleet start time of 1230 or 1300 with boats having a handicap of less than 0.865 starting at 1230. All other boats to start at 1300.
- 11.2 Boats whose warning signal or handicap start time has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 11.3 For fleet start races the following will apply;
 - a) All races will be started by using rule 26, with the warning signal made five (5) minutes before the starting signal.
 - b) A boat that crosses the starting line more than 10 minutes after its starting signal will be scored DNS.
 - c) The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag or shape on the Race Committee Vessel at the starboard end and the start Mark at the port end.
 - d) A starting limit mark may be laid near the starting line (though not necessarily on the line), or floated from the Race Committee vessel. This mark shall be left to starboard when starting and (for the purpose of the RRS) will be deemed to be a part of the vessel it protects.

- e) When Mark A has been laid, the Race Committee vessel will signal the side on which this mark is to be passed by the display of a red flag- port or a green flag – starboard, at or prior to the warning signal.
 - f) Divisions can be started separately or together.
- 11.4 The Race Committee vessel may hold position using engines. This shall not be grounds for redress and amends RRS 60, 61, 62, 63 & 64.

12. THE FINISH

- 12.1 The finish line for all races will be designated in the Sailing Instructions Attachments.
- 12.2 Where there is no Race Committee vessel on station competitors shall take their own finish time in the format of "Hour: Min: Sec" EST by GPS. Verification of accuracy of boats time piece may be checked. Competitors shall:
- Sign-Off by radioing in their Finish Time on VHF Channel 77 to MYC Race Control or
 - by sending a Text Message (SMS) to the OOD mobile as advised at sign on within 45 minutes of their Finish Time.

13. TIME LIMITS

The Time Limit for all races will be designated in the Attachments to the Sailing Instructions

14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1 Protest forms are available from the website www.mooloolaba.yachting.org.au and the office.
- 14.2 The protest time limit is two (2) hours after the finish time of the last boat in the last race of the day.
- 14.3 Protests shall be delivered to the MYC Office or the OOD before the end of the protest time limit.
- 14.4 Protest notices will be posted online not more than 48 hours after the end of the protest time limit to inform competitors of the time and place of a hearing to which they are a party or named as a witness.
- 14.5 Protests will be heard as soon as practicable, and in the approximate order of receipt.
- 14.6 For the purpose of RRS 64.3(b) the authority responsible is the MYC Committee.
- 14.7 When Division Boats are scheduled to finish away from Mooloolaba, a boat intending to protest shall notify the Race Committee Vessel as soon as possible after finishing and comply with the requirements of RRS 61.1. The completed Protest form must then be lodged with the club administrator.
- 14.8 Entrants are reminded of Fundamental rule 3 – acceptance of the rules. The Race Committee looks to the competitors to enter the event in the right spirit, be meticulous in observing the rules and participate in a sportsmanlike manner.

15. SCORING

- 15.1 The Low Point System, RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 15.2 Each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding the specified number of worst scores.
- 15.3 The number of scored races and the number of allowed drops shall be listed in the MYC Sailing Program 2017/2018.
- 15.4 Competitors who join a series after one (1) or more races have been run will be awarded a DNC for each earlier race.
- 15.5 Race scores for series longer than a regatta will be as per Rule A9 with the last paragraph changed as follows. A boat that did not come to the starting area (DNC) will be scored points for the finishing place two (2) more than the number of boats entered in the series as of that race This changes RRS Rule A9.
- 15.6 Race scores for a regatta will be as per Rule A4. Boats that fail to finish within the time limit will be scored "DNF" and will be scored points one (1) more than the number of boats entered in the series. A boat that did not come to the starting area (DNC) will be scored points for the finishing place two (2) more than the number of boats entered in the series. This changes RRS Rule A4.2.

- 15.7 For average points to be applied a boat representing the MYC in an away race or being unable to sail due to a Start Boat commitment, the boat owner must apply in writing to the MYC Sailing Committee. Average points will be applied at the end of that series.
- 15.8 To be eligible for series points each boat shall sign off confirming their Finish Time as detailed in 12.3.

16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

16.1 The current standard for life jackets is Australian Standard 4758 (AS 4758). This standard has replaced Australian Standard 1512–1996, Australian Standard 1499–1996 and Australian Standard 2260–1996. You do not have to upgrade your current PFD under the old standards – they will still be acceptable for use as long as they are in good condition.

Under standard	Under previous
Level 275 Level 150	Coastal life jacket
Level 275 Level 150 Level 100	PFD type 1 (AS 1512–1996)
Level 50	PFD type 2 (AS 1499–1996)
Level 50 special purpose	PFD type 3 (AS 2260–1996)

The wearing of a Personal Flotation Device complying with PDF Type 1 (AS 4758) or PDF Type 2 (AS 4758) or equivalent overseas standard by all crew members is mandatory at all times while afloat except briefly while adjusting clothing or equipment **on boats without fitted or non-compliant lifelines. (Refer RRS Part 1 Section 3:12)**

- 16.2 All boats shall lodge an Australia Sailing (AS) Special Regulations Equipment Audit Form covering the appropriate safety category prior to racing in any event. Boats failing to comply with this requirement will be scored DNS
- 16.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the OOD as soon as possible.

17. SPECIAL CONDITIONS

- 17.1 Boats may carry anchors protruding from the bow while racing in Pursuit start races only. In Fleet start races anchors shall not be carried on the bow and boats found to do so shall be penalised.
- 17.2 Minimum crew in any boat shall be two persons.
- 17.3 A boat may use prohibited propulsion after the Preparatory Signal to arrive at the start line provided it carries out a 360 degree turn, keeping clear of all other boats, after ceasing to use such propulsion and before starting (Changes Rule 42.1).
- 17.4 Skippers and Owners are reminded of Special Regulations Part 1, Rule 1.02, Owners Responsibility, outlining their responsibilities for ensuring that their boat is adequate and safe. Skippers are responsible for ensuring that their boat complies with equipment requirements as specified by the race Safety Category. Random equipment audits may be made throughout the Season. Any boat failing to comply with equipment requirements may be subject to protest by the Race Committee.
- 17.5 Skippers should be mindful that until all boats have completed a race each boat in that race is required to act as a safety vessel for all other boats in that race if they require assistance.
- 17.6 A decision to race on any given day does not relieve any competitor of his/her obligation under RRS Fundamental Rule 4, Decision to Race.
- 17.7 Members are requested to fly the club pennant on their vessel when competing in MYC events.

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It is a boat owner's responsibility to remain informed about the conditions of and changes to the MYC's Aquatic Event Permit.

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- 19.1 All boats shall carry a marine band VHF transceiver capable of receiving and transmitting on Australian marine channels. Boats shall use the radio to report retirement from racing and may use the radio to request assistance in an emergency. No other transmissions are permitted by competing boats during the racing day from the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day. The Race Committee may use the radio to advise competitors of race information. This restriction applies to mobile telephones.
- 19.2 It is recommended that all boats monitor and transmit on VHF Channel 16, 73 and 77. All radio traffic relating to MYC racing will be on VHF 77.
- 19.3 The OOD call sign is MYC Race Control.
- 19.4 Start Boat call sign is MYC Start Boat.
- 19.5 MYC call sign is MYC Race Office.

20. PRIZES

Prizes for races may be awarded for each race and series.

21. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in MYC races entirely at their own risk, see RRS Part 1, Fundamental Rules 4, Decision to Race. The MYC will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after a race.

22. INSURANCE

All entrants shall carry third party liability insurance of not less than AUD\$ \$10 million.

Attachment A	ADDITIONAL SAILING INSTRUCTIONS FOR WAMS, WFS AND SFS EVENTS
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- Briefing & Sign-on:** As per the Sailing Program 2017/2018 at the MYC Office or as otherwise specified. All boats must sign on by radio or in person no later than half an hour after the Sign-On time of 1200.
- Sign-off** Competitors in WAMS, WFS and SFS races shall
- Sign-Off by radioing in their Finish Time on VHF Channel 77 to MYC Race Control or
 - Send Text Message (SMS) to the OOD mobile as advised at sign on within 45 minutes of their Finish Time.
- Race Start:** For WAMS, WFS and SFS races boats will be allocated Start Times. First boat(s) to start at 1215. MYC will post individual recommended start times which may be varied as required.
- Safety Category:** AS Safety Category 5 plus EPIRB. A 406 MHz Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon (EPIRB) registered with registered with The Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA) shall be carried.
- Course:** MYC and SCYC will have a common start line and course for these series. The OODs of each club will liaise prior to sign on to determine a common course for the day. The course to be sailed will be notified at the time of Sign-On. Each club will manage their own race.
- Start & Finish Line:** Boats will finish the race by crossing the Start / Finish line from the direction of the course as per the definition of Finish in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017 – 2020. Starting and Finishing directions in relation to Mark N will be determined by the designated course chosen by the OODs are as tabled below.

First Mark	Island	Gneerings ECM	Mool'ba Waverider	NWF
Starting Direction	Mark N (s)	Mark N (p)	Mark N (s)	Mark N (p)
Finishing Direction	Mark N (p)	Mark N (s)	Mark N (p)	Mark N (s)

MYC will lay a buoy designated Mark N placed in a position no less than 0.45 Nm from Beacon No 2 and may or may not be precisely on the transit line of Beacons 1 and 2. MYC will utilize a Yellow pencil buoy marked with “**MYC**” and SCYC will place a buoy with Orange flag inside Mark N along the transit line.

Finish Time: As per clause 12.3.

The second to last boat to finish shall wait for the last boat in the fleet to finish and pick up the Mark N buoy from the finish line.

Shortened Course: The OOD may advise boats on VHF 77 that the course has been shortened if any boat has not reached the first mark by 1430 hours. The lead boat shall advise the OOD their estimated time of rounding before reaching the first mark. If the race is shortened all boats shall complete the rounding of the first mark of the course only before continuing to the finish line as advised by the OOD. In the event of a Shortened Course each boat should record their Mark Rounding Time.

Time Limit: The time limit for all Courses will be 1700 hours.

Attachment B ADDITIONAL SAILING INSTRUCTIONS FOR SAMS

Briefing & Sign-on: As per the Sailing Program 2017/2018 at the MYC Office or as otherwise specified. All boats must sign on by radio or in person no later than half an hour after the Sign-On time of 1200.

Sign-off Competitors in SAMS races shall

- Sign-Off by radioing in their Finish Time on VHF Channel 77 to MYC Race Control or
- Send Text Message (SMS) to the OOD mobile as advised at sign on within 45 minutes of their Finish Time.

Race Start: Boats will be allocated a fleet start time of 1230 or 1300 with boats having a handicap of less than 0.865 starting at 1230. All other boats to start at 1300.

Safety Category: AS Safety Category 5 plus EPIRB. A 406 MHz Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon (EPIRB) registered with registered with The Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA) shall be carried.

Course: MYC and SCYC will have a common start line and course for this series. The OODs of each club will liaise prior to sign on to determine a common course for the day. The course to be sailed will be notified at the time of Sign-On. Each club will manage their own race.

Start & Finish Line: Boats will finish the race by crossing the Start / Finish line from the direction of the course as per the definition of Finish in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020. Starting and Finishing directions in relation to Mark N will be determined by the designated course chosen by the OODs are as tabled below.

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MYC will lay a buoy designated Mark N placed in a position no less than 0.45 Nm from Beacon No 2 and may or may not be precisely on the transit line of Beacons 1 and 2. MYC will utilize a Yellow pencil buoy marked with **MYC** and SCYC will place a buoy with Orange flag inside Mark N on the transit line.

- Finish Time:** As per clause 12.3.
The second to last boat to finish shall wait for the last boat in the fleet to finish and pick up the Mark N buoy from the finish line.
- Shortened Course:** The OOD may advise boats on VHF 77 that the course has been shortened if any boat has not reached the first mark by 1400 hours. The lead boat shall advise the OOD their estimated time of rounding before reaching the first mark. If the race is shortened all boats shall complete the rounding of the first mark of the course only before continuing to the finish line as advised by the OOD. In the event of a Shortened Course each boat should record their Mark Rounding Time.
- Time Limit:** The time limit for all Courses will be 1700 hours.

- Extra Courses:** SAMS may be replaced from time to time by Special Courses as follows:
- Navigators Challenge 1:** The course to be sailed will be notified at Sign-On and will be selected from one of the following:
- Course A:** Start, Gneerings (p), Island (p), Waverider (p), Finish, OR
- Course B:** Start, Island (s), Gneerings (p), Waverider (p), Finish
- Longitude Challenge:** All participants will have a common Start Time. Boats are to sail to an allotted longitude which will be advised by the OOD at Sign On. Boats are to sail to the allotted longitude and return to Mark N. First boat to finish will be the winner.
- The courses may be shortened or varied by the OOD on the day at time of Sign On.**

Attachment C ADDITIONAL SAILING INSTRUCTIONS FOR INTERCLUB BAY CHALLENGE (SURF SAIL) SERIES

- Briefing & Sign-on:** As per the Sailing Program 2017/2018 at the MYC Office or as otherwise specified. All boats must sign on by radio or in person with the OOD by 0900.
- Race Start:** Race 1 warning signal not before 0955 hours
Race 2 as soon as practical after race 1 completed.
- Safety Category:** AS Safety Category 5 plus EPIRB. A 406 MHz Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon (EPIRB) registered with The Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA) shall be carried.
- Start & Finish Line:** Between the Race Committee Vessel and the start/finish mark as per the definition of Finish in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020.
- Alternate Finish Line** Alternate Finish Line will be a line formed by the transit of the outer port and starboard beacons on the walls of the Mooloolah River. A yellow buoy in a position known as Mark N will mark the outer limit of the line and may or may not be precisely on the line.
If for any reason the limit mark is not in place, the line shall be assumed to be between the GPS coordinates of Mark N and the port beacon (Beacon No 2) on the transit of the river mouth entrance port and starboard beacons (Beacons No 2 and No 1 respectively).
The second to last boat to finish shall wait for the last boat in the fleet to finish and pick up the Mark N buoy from the finish line.

Attachment D - ADDITIONAL SAILING INSTRUCTIONS FOR BLUE WATER SERIES.

- Briefing & Sign-on:** As per the Sailing Program 2017/2018 at MYC Office or as otherwise specified. A Briefing will be held at 0800 hours. All boats must sign on in person with the OOD prior to the Briefing.
- Race Start:** Race warning signal not before 0855 hours
- Safety Category:** **AS Safety Category 4.**
- Start Line:** Between the Race Committee Vessel and the start/finish mark.

- Time Limit:** Refer each race.
- Courses:** Note re Mark A – If Mark A is to be used the Committee Boat will display a red or green flag indicating rounding direction. If a red or green flag is not displayed, Mark A is not part of the course.
- Finish Line:** Finish Line will be a line formed by the transit of the outer Port and Starboard marks on the walls of the Mooloolah River. A Yellow buoy positioned at Mark N will mark the outer limit of the line and may or may not be precisely on the line. All competitors are to take their own finish time in the format of “Hour: Min: Sec” EST by GPS. Verification of accuracy of a boat’s time piece may be checked. Competitors shall:
- Sign-Off by radioing in their Finish Time on VHF Channel 77 to MYC Race Control or
 - Send Text Message (SMS) to the OOD mobile as advised at sign on within 45 minutes of their Finish Time.
- The second to last boat to finish shall wait for the last boat in the fleet to finish and pick up the Mark N buoy from the finish line.

Attachment E - ADDITIONAL SAILING INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE MYC / SCYC COMBINED CLUBS SERIES.

- Duty Club** The Duty Club will be alternated by agreement and is responsible for managing on-water activity. In particular:
1. Choosing the course
 2. On-water sign on
 3. Laying and retrieving the Start / Finish Line
 4. Calling whether to race or not and whether to shorten the course
 5. On water communication will be via either **VHF 77 when MYC is the Duty Club** or **VHF 69 when SCYC is the Duty Club**.
- Entry Fees (if applicable)** \$10 per race payable to boat owners’ club.
- Handicaps** Club handicaps will determine positions in each club’s point score series. In addition, a Combined Clubs Series handicap, agreed upon by both Sailing Committees, will be assigned to each boat entering the series. These handicaps will be used to determine placings in each race in the Combined Club Series and the final score for the Combined Clubs Series.
- Prizes:** One prize will be awarded to the Combined Clubs Series overall winner. Other placegetters will be acknowledged but no prize awarded.
- Sign-on** All skippers must Sign On by the usual arrangement with the OOD of their Club and all boats must contact the Duty Club Race Control once outside the river entrance confirming their intention to race and the number of POB. Entrants are reminded of Fundamental Rule 3 – Acceptance of the Rules. The Race Committees look to the competitors to enter the event in the right spirit, be meticulous in observing the rules and participate in a sportsmanlike manner.
- Race Start** Boats will be pre-assigned an early or later start time by the Duty Club Race Control depending on predicted boat performance. Boats with a handicap <0.865 will start at 1200, all other boats at 1230.
- Safety Category** AS Safety Category 5, plus EPIRB. Boats must carry a 406 MHz Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon (EPIRB) registered with The Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA). While racing, no anchors shall be carried on the deck forward of the stem or with any part protruding outboard.
- Start & Finish Line** On the occasions where it is practicable for the Duty Club to supply a Start Boat and lay a Start / Finish Line the Start will be between the Start Boat displaying an Orange Flag at the starboard end of the line and a buoy laid at the port end of the line. If the Start Boat remains on station the Finish Line will be between the Start Boat displaying a blue flag and the buoy. Otherwise the Finish Line will be as described below.

When no Start Boat is available:

The Duty Club will place 2 buoys in positions to constitute a combined fleet Start/Finish Line. The North buoy (Mark N) will be placed as close as possible along the transit of Beacon 1 (starboard) and Beacon 2 (port) at the entrance of the Mooloolah River at a distance not less than 0.45 Nm north of Beacon 2. The second buoy will be so placed in a position as to set a Start Line perpendicular to line of travel to the first mark and at a distance from Mark N to safely accommodate the fleet start. The table below indicates the side to leave Mark N when crossing the Start / Finish line to the First Mark of the selected course.

A boat that crosses the starting line more than 10 minutes after its starting time will be scored DNS.

Boats will finish the race by crossing the Start / Finish line from the direction of the course as per the definition of Finish in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013 – 2016.

The second to last boat to finish shall wait for the last boat in the fleet to finish and assist with the pickup of one or both buoys from the finish line.

First Mark	Island	Gneerings ECM	Mool'ba Waverider	NWF
Starting Direction	Mark N (s)	Mark N (p)	Mark N (s)	Mark N (p)

Results

Each club is to run their own normal club race results. The Duty Club is to run the Combined Clubs Series results (low Point Score) and then forward them (and the TopYacht backup zip file) to the Non-Duty Club for review prior to publishing.

Handicaps will not change for yachts that either started but "Did Not Finish" (DNF) or that did not race (DNC or DNS) but are part of the series. A boat that did not come to the starting area (DNC) shall be scored points for the finishing place two more than the number of boats entered in that race (modifies Rule A9).

Discards:

Number of Races in Series	6
Number of Discards	2

Finish Time The time limit for all Bay Courses shall be 1700 hours. Boats failing to finish within the time limit will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing.

Attachment F COURSES

SHORT COURSES FOR INTERCLUB BAY CHALLENGE (SURF SAIL) SERIES

Courses to be sailed will be determined by the OOD from the course list.

The intended course to be sailed will be displayed on the Race Committee Vessel. Distance and Bearing to first Mark may also be displayed.

Course W1: Divisions 1 - 3 Start, 1(p), 1A(p), Finish

Course W2: Divisions 1 - 3 Start, 1(p), 1A(p), 2(p), 1(p), 1A(p), Finish

Course W3: Divisions 1 & 3 Start, 1(p), 1A(p), 2(p), 1(p), 1A(p), 2(p), 1(p), 1A(p), Finish.
Division 2 Start, 1(p), 1A(p), 2(p), 1(p), 1A(p), Finish

Time limit: 90 minutes for all Short Courses.

BAY COURSES FOR INTERCLUB BAY CHALLENGE (SURF SAIL) SERIES, SAMS, WAMS, SFS AND WFS EVENTS

Note re mark A – If Mark A is to be used the Committee Boat will display a red or green flag indicating rounding direction. If a red or green flag is not displayed, Mark A is not Part of the course.

1	Start, Island (p), Finish. Distance – approx. 8nm
2	Start, Gneerings (p), Finish. Distance – approx. 10nm
3	Start, Gneerings (p), Island (p), Finish. Distance - approx.
4	Start, Waverider (p), Finish. Distance - approx. 14nm
5	Start, Waverider (p), Island (p), Finish. Distance - approx.
6	Start, Island (p), MYC D(s), Island (p), Finish. Distance -
7	Start, Island (p) MYC D (p), Gneerings (p), Finish.
8	Start, Gneerings (p), Waverider (p), Finish. Distance –
9	Start, Gneerings (p), MYC D(s), Gneerings (p), Finish.
10	Start, North West Fairway(s), Finish. Distance – approx.
11	Start, Circumnavigation Island (p), Finish. Distance –

Reverse Courses

Where "R" is added to the course number, the order of course marks and direction of rounding of marks is to be reversed.

Finish Time: 1700 hours for all Bay Courses.

Boats finishing after 1700 hours will be scored DNF.

COURSES FOR BLUE WATER SERIES

FAIRWAY

Division 1 & 3

Start, Mark A, Gneerings (p), Waverider (p), Northwest Fairway (s), Gneerings (p), Finish Line leaving Mark N(s).

Distance: approx. 39nm.

Time Limit: 8 hours from the starting signal.

Shortened Course

Start, Mark A, Gneerings (s), Northwest Fairway (s), Finish Line leaving Mark N (s).

Distance: approx. 23nm.

Time Limit: 8 hours from the starting signal.

FAIRWAY REVERSED

Division 1 & 3

Start, Mark A, NW Fairway (s), Gneerings (p), Coolum Waverider (p), and Finish Line leaving Mark N(s).

Distance: approx. 32nm.

Time Limit: 8 hours from the starting signal.

Shortened Course

Start, Mark A, NW Fairway (s), Gneerings (p), Finish Line leaving MYC Mark N (s).

Distance: approx. 23nm.

Time Limit: 8 hours from the starting signal.

NOOSA BAY

Division 1 & 3

Start, Mark A, Noosa (p), Finish line leaving MYC Mark N (s).

Distance: approx. 40nm.

Time Limit: 9 hours from the starting signal.

Special Conditions: Where a mark is not laid in Noosa Bay, boats shall sail to the Longitude and Latitude provided in the Sailing Instructions – MYC Laid Marks, taking their GPS rounding time and GPS position as well as their GPS Finish Time.

Shortened Course:

Start, Mark A, Noosa (finish). Finish Line: Noosa buoy and imaginary buoy 200 metres due west of Noosa buoy. Finish Time shall be recorded by each boat as the boat's bow crosses this shortened Finish Line.

Distance: approx. 20nm.

Time Limit: 9 hours from the starting signal.

WAVERIDER CHALLENGE

Division 1 & 3

Start, Mark A, North Moreton Bay Waverider (s), NW Fairway (s), Coolum Waverider (p), Finish leaving Mark N(s).

Distance: approx. 44nm.

Time Limit: 10 hours from the starting signal.

Shortened Course

Start, Mark A, North Moreton Bay Waverider (s), NW Fairway (s), Finish leaving Mark N (s).

Distance: approx. 32nm.

Time Limit: 10 hours from the starting signal.

WAVERIDER CHALLENGE REVERSED

Division 1 & 3

Start, Mark A, Coolum Waverider (s), North Moreton Bay Waverider (s), NW Fairway (s), Finish leaving Mark N(s).

Distance: approx. 44nm.

Time Limit: 10 hours from the starting signal.

Shortened Course

Start, Mark A, North Moreton Bay Waverider (s), NW Fairway (s), Finish leaving Mark N (s).

Distance: approx. 32nm.

Time Limit: 9 hours from the starting signal.

FLINDERS REEF

Division 1 & 3

Start, Mark A, Flinders Reef NCM (s), Finish line leaving Mark N (s).

Distance: approx. 52nm.

Time Limit: 10hrs from the starting signal.

Shortened Course:

Start, Mark A, Flinders Reef NCM (s). Finish Time shall be recorded by each boat as the boat's stern passes the beacon.

Distance: approx. 26nm.

Time Limit: 10 hours from the starting signal.