

**Ponsonby
Cruising
Club**



**THE CLASSIC YACHT ASSOCIATION
OF NEW ZEALAND**

NOTICE OF RACE & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Upper Harbour Regatta – PCC & CYA

Saturday 05 November 2016

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In association with The Classic Yacht Association of New Zealand (CYANZ)
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1.0 Rules

- 1.1 The Races will be governed by the “rules” as defined in the current Yachting New Zealand 2013-2016 Racing Rules of sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 **Attention is drawn to Regulation No.2 and clause 2.2 Yachting New Zealand (YNZ) Safety Regulations: The Maritime Transport Act 1994 states that the master of the vessel is at all times responsible for the safety of the vessel, the safety of those on board, discipline on board and for complying with all maritime rules, regulations and bylaws.**
- 1.3 Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations of Sailing 2013 – 2016 Part II category 5 shall apply.
- 1.4 Attention is drawn to regulation 23 relating to classic yachts.
- 1.5 All boats shall carry an operational VHF radio.
- 1.6 The organising authority reserves the right to make spot safety checks and to disqualify any boat found to be noncomplying.
- 1.7 Any contact however minor with any navigational mark shall be reported to the race committee by that yacht or any other yacht witnessing the incident. Competitors shall keep clear of all ships 500m tonnes net register and over. This particularly refers to but is not limited to the main navigational channel. Competitors shall abide by the current harbor regulations. This rule is not open to protest by other competitors.
- 1.8 Under rule 86, Changes to The Racing Rules the following racing rules will be changed as follows:
 - 1.8.1 Rules 35, A4 and A5 will be changed to state that boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish,
 - 1.8.2 Rule 60.1(a) will be changed to state that a competitor cannot protest another boat or competitor for breaches of instructions 18, 21, 22, 23 and 26,
 - 1.8.3 Rules A4 and A5 will be changed to state that a boat starting later than 4minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start.

2.0 Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all boats that meet the following criteria:
- (i) For classic yachts, Classic Yacht Association class rules
 - (ii) For Mullet boats, Ponsonby Cruising Club class rules
- 2.2 The closing date for entries is Wednesday 02 November 2016. Entries can be made on the CYA website, or by email to admin@classicyacht.org.nz. Mullet boats can enter directly with PCC. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the race committee.

3.0 Notices to competitors and changes to sailing instructions

- 3.1 Changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the CYA website and on the PCC noticeboard before 1000hrs on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 hours on the day before it will take effect.

4.0 Schedule of Races

- 4.1 The event shall consist of a series of up to 2 races – (refer schedule below).

Race	Division	Warning signal
1	Division A	1055hrs
1	Division B & Mullet boats	1100hrs
2	Division A	Approximately 10 min after completion of Race 1
2	Division B & Mullet boats	5 minutes following Division A warning signal

- 4.2 The warning signal for Race 2 will be given approximately 10 mins after completion of the first race.
- 4.3 The Race Officer may announce the scheduled time of the start of the second race for each division on VHF channel 77.
- 4.4 After a long postponement, to alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed (with one sound signal) for at least five minutes before a warning signal is displayed.
- 4.5 No warning signal will be made after 1500 hours.
- 4.6 Prize giving will be held in the PCC clubhouse approx. 1 hour after completion of Race 2. All skippers, crews, and family members are encouraged to attend.
- 4.7 Prizes will be awarded to 1st on line, and 1st, 2nd, and 3rd on handicap in each division.

5.0 Obstructions

- 5.1 The red fairway mark PILE (south of Chelsea Wharf) is deemed to be an obstruction and shall be passed on the main channel (north) side only at all times.
- 5.2 Yachts shall only pass through the main navigation span of the Harbour Bridge when racing.

6.0 Start and finish lines

- 6.1 The starting line and finishing line will be a line between the Ponsonby start tower at Westhaven, and the Westhaven Yellow Buoy.
- 6.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 6.3 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

7.0 Marks & shortened course

- 7.1 A description of the laid mark is given in Instruction 8 below.
- 7.2 The race committee may move the laid mark if required for safety or other reasons.
- 7.3 The race committee may shorten the course at any mark by displaying the S flag. Boats shall pass between the race committee boat displaying the S flag and the mark or buoy.

8.0 Course

- 8.1 The course for both races shall be as follows:
- 8.2 A Division: Start – Bayswater Buoy (P), Chelsea Buoy (P), Meola Buoy (P), laid mark west of Kauri Point (P), Meola Buoy (P), Chelsea Buoy (S), Stanley Buoy (S), to Finish (9 miles approx.)
- 8.3 B Division and Mullet Boats: Start – Bayswater Buoy (P), Chelsea Buoy (P), Meola Buoy (P), laid mark west of Kauri Point (P), Meola Buoy (P), Chelsea Buoy (S), Bayswater Buoy (S), to Finish (8 miles approx.)
- 8.4 Skippers are advised that the area south of Meola Buoy shallows rapidly, and boats should not sail south of the line between Meola Buoy and the red fairway mark south of Chelsea Wharf.

9.0 Penalty System

- 9.1 Rule 44.1 (Two Turn Penalty) shall apply to all boats

10.0 Race Officer

- 10.1 The Race officer is Kevin Gunn (PCC)

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- RRS 44.1 (two turn penalty) shall apply for all boats.

12.0 Time Limit

- 12.1 A time limit of 120 minutes shall apply for the first boat in each race.

13.0 Protests and Requests for Redress

- 13.1 Protests or intent to protest shall be lodged with a CYA committee member within two hours of completing the race, notified on VHF 77 or James Mortimer mob: 021 532 500 and by completing a Protest Form available on www.yachtingnz.org.nz
- 13.2 For protests where only a Rule of Part 2 or Rule 31 is alleged to have been broken an arbitration hearing will be offered prior to any formal hearing.

14.0 Disclaimer of Liability

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