



MORNINGTON YACHT CLUB

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Special Sailing Instructions for Keelboat & Trailable Divisions

Navigators' Trophy Race

SATURDAY 10th February 2024

Long Distance Race Series sponsored by:

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1.0 GENERAL

The race shall be governed by the current versions of the **Racing Rules of Sailing** (RRS), the Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS), the Mornington Yacht Club (MYC) Notice of Race (NoR) MYC Sailing Instructions (SI's) these Special Sailing Instructions (SSI's)

2.0 ELIGIBILITY

All yachts shall comply with AS Special Regulations Part 1, Category 5 and MYC NoR Clause 3.

3.0 ENTRIES

Race entry procedure will be in accordance with MYC SI's, Part 1 Clause 4

4.0 RESULTS

Results will be calculated in accordance with MYC SI's, Part 1, Clauses 1.12 and 1.13

5.0 STARTING PROCEDURE

The starting procedure shall be in accordance with MYC SI's Part 3, Clauses 3.5, 3.6 & 3.7. All yachts shall start leaving the Start (S) mark to Starboard.

6.0 STARTING SEQUENCE TIMES

| Divisions | Warning Signal |
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| Keelboats | 0855 hrs. (Single Red Light) |
| Trailable Yachts | 0900 hrs. (Single Green Light) |

7.0 COURSES

There shall be two course options available for the Keelboat Division and two course options available for the Trailable Yacht Division.

The Keelboat Division shall race using Course option 1A or 1B. The Trailable Division shall race using Course option 2A or 2B.

A boat shall sail one of the two courses allocated to her division. It is the responsibility of each competitor to decide which course option to sail after taking into account conditions such as wind, tide & sea-state. Charts required for plotting courses shall be current AUS 143 and AUS 158.

Course options are as follows:

7.1 Keelboat Division

7.1.1 Course 1A

Start at Mornington, to West Channel Pile (leave to Port) to Pope's Eye South Cardinal Mark Beacon (leave to Port) to South Channel Beacon No.19 (leave to Port) to South Channel Beacon No.21 (leave to Port) to Recreation Buoy No.1 (R1) (leave to Port) to Finish at Mornington

7.1.2 Course 1B

Start at Mornington, to Recreation Buoy No.1 (R1) (leave to Starboard) to South Channel Beacon No.21 (leave to Starboard) to South Channel Beacon No.19 (leave to Starboard) to Pope's Eye South Cardinal Mark Beacon (leave to Starboard) to West Channel Pile (leave to Starboard) to Finish at Mornington

7.2 Trailable Yacht Division

7.2.1 Course 2A

Start at Mornington, to the South Channel Beacon No.6 (leave to Port) via the Pinnacle Channel, to South Channel Beacon No.19 (leave to Port) to South Channel Beacon No.21 (leave to Port) to Recreation Buoy No.1 (R1) (leave to Port) to Finish at Mornington

7.2.2 Course 2B

Start at Mornington, to Recreation Buoy No.1 (R1), (leave to Starboard) to South Channel Beacon No.21 (leave to Starboard) to South Channel Beacon, No.19, (leave to Starboard) to South Channel Beacon No.6 (leave to Starboard) then via the Pinnacle Channel to Finish at Mornington.

7.3 MARINE FARMS IN THE COURSE AREA

The attention of competitors is drawn to Marine Farms within the course area. These may be floating or fixed structures with associated moorings that shall be avoided. Competitors should ensure they have current charts and confirm the location of Marine Farms. All Marine Farms in the course area shall be an obstruction while Racing.

8.0 FINISH

The Finish shall be as determined by MYC SI's Part 3 Clause 3.9.

9.0 AVOIDANCE OF COMMERCIAL SHIPPING IN PORT PHILLIP

In Port Phillip, Commercial Shipping has right of way over pleasure craft. Professional fishing vessels engaged in fishing are, for the purpose of these Sailing Instructions, considered as commercial ships. All yachts shall keep clear of shipping in the waters of the port of Melbourne in accordance with Sections 2, 5.6 & 5.7 of the Harbour Master's Directions – Edition 13 - September 2022.

10.0 SAFETY & COMMUNICATIONS

10.1 Personal Floatation Devices

The attention of competitors is drawn to the provisions of the Marine Act and Boating Regulations regarding the wearing of Personal Floatation Devices.

10.2 Radio Watch The Communication Channel for this race shall be VHF 73.

10.2.1 The Club: A listening watch will be kept at the clubhouse on the Communication Channel & VHF Ch. 12 & 16. The Club call sign is VZV 999. The MYC Tower telephone, for use only if radio contact fails, is 03 5975 6805.

10.2.2 The Competitor: A boat shall conduct a radio check by calling the MYC Tower, no later than 5 minutes prior to her Warning Signal, on the Communication Channel and then keep a listening watch on the Communication Channel & VHF Ch. 12 at all times during the race.

10.3 Radio Schedules/Reporting

All boats shall report to the MYC Tower on the Communication Channel at the first reasonable opportunity after rounding or passing the scheduled marks of the course. Boats shall use the services of another boat to relay a report in adverse signal conditions. The co-operation of all boats in these circumstances is imperative. VHF Ch 16 shall not be used for position reporting.

10.3.1 A boat having tried and failed to report by radio in accordance with SSI Clause 10.3 shall telephone the MYC Tower (03 5975 6805) to report.

10.3.2 The scheduled marks of the course for reporting shall be:

Keelboat Scheduled Marks: Course 1A or 1B radio reporting shall be at:

- West Channel Pile
- Pope's Eye Beacon
- South Channel Beacon No. 21

Trailable Scheduled Marks: Course 2A or 2B radio reporting shall be at:

- South Channel Beacon No. 21
- South Channel Beacon No. 6

10.4 Hazards

All boats shall report to the MYC Tower any observed significant circumstances that may adversely affect the safety of any competitors in the race e.g. items such as sudden increases in wind strength over 30kts and/or increased sea state; a man overboard situation, including that of another boat; flotsam that may be hazardous to boats, etc.

10.5 SIGN OFF

The Sign Off procedure shall be in accordance with MYC SI's Part 1, Sub-clause 1.3.7

11.0 PENALTIES

11.1 A boat failing to conduct a radio check prior to her Warning Signal shall not be considered a starter and shall be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. *This amends rule 63.1*

11.2 A boat failing to report to the Tower at the scheduled mark/s of the course shall be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. *This amends rule 63.1*

11.3 The penalty for failing to Sign On shall be as defined in MYC SI's Part 1, Sub-clause 1.3.7.1

11.4 The penalty for failing to Sign Off shall be as defined in MYC SI's Part 1, Sub-clause 1.3.7.1

12.0 TIME LIMIT

The time limit shall be 1800hrs EDT for all boats. Boats that do not Finish within the time limit will be scored 'Did Not Finish' (DNF).

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