MONKOUFIST NIGHT RACE 2019

MATILDA BAY, PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA
SATURDAY 23RD MARCH



Invite your friends & family for a relaxing evening on the lawn, with plenty of entertainment:

- ★ Live Music ★ Pop-Up Bar
- ★ Bouncy Castle & Gladiator Duel ★ Lawn Games ★ 510 Meals



A night not to be missed

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1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the Australian Sailing Special Regulation Part 2, the rules of the Laser and Optimist classes (except as any of these are altered by the Sailing Instructions) and the Sailing Instructions.

1.2 The Racing Rules are altered as follows:

Rule 41, *Outside Help*, is altered to allow outside assistance during crew changeovers and to repair damage.

Rule 31, *Touching a Mark*, is changed to "A boat may touch a mark but shall not hold on to it". Rule 42, *Propulsion*, is altered to assist boats during a crew change-over.

1.3 Laser and Optimist Class Rules are altered as follows:

Crew may change during the event other changes including age restrictions are at the discretion of the Race Committee.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the four northwest windows of the RPYC Dinghy Division clubhouse.

3. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION – EVENT SPONSOR SIGNAGE

- 3.1 Competitors are required to display event sponsor's signage in the form of stickers. This signage will be supplied by the Organising Authority at registration. The stickers are to be installed as follows:
 - a) The stickers are not to be reduced in size.
 - b) The stickers shall be parallel to the deck.
 - c) The forward edges of the stickers shall be approximately 450mm from the bow of the boat.
 - d) The top edges of the stickers shall be lower than the bottom of the gunwale.

4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions ashore will be posted on the official noticeboard before 1600 on the Saturday the 23rd of March.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagstaff adjacent to the eastern frontage of the RPYC Dinghy Division Clubhouse.
- 5.3 The flag "AP" displayed ashore is the Official Race Signal AP. This changes "Race Signals".

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

6.1 Events are scheduled as follows:

Date	Time	Event
Saturday 23 rd March 2019	1530	Registration
Saturday 23rd March 2019	1630	Volunteers' meeting
Saturday 23rd March 2019	1630	Competitors' meeting
	1700	First warning signal, subsequent starts to follow
	1100	Race finish
	1130	Presentation ceremony

6.2 The race for all classes and categories will consist of continuous laps around the designated course in Matilda Bay (see Attachment A).

7. SIGNING ON/OFF

- 7.1 All sailors (team member 1 *and* team member 2) shall sign on, upon the sheets provided at the Dinghy Division Clubhouse, prior to the start of the race.
- 7.2 All sailors shall sign off within 10 minutes of coming ashore for the final time.
- 7.3 A boat that retires from a race must (if possible) notify a support boat upon leaving the course area, sign off as soon as practicable after returning to RPYC and shall complete a retirement declaration on shore within the protest time limit.

8. IDENTIFICATION

- 8.1 All identification lights will be supplied by the Race Committee.
- 8.2 Each Laser will be required to attach a White light to their mast. Instructions for its application will be issued at registration.
- 8.3 Each Optimist will be required to attach a White light to their mast. Instructions for its application will be issued at registration.
- 8.4 Each sailor will be required to attach a Coloured light to their life jacket. Instructions for its application will be issued at registration.
- 8.5 Each competing boat must carry a waterproof floating type torch.

9. RACING AREA

Attachment A shows the location of the racing area.

10. THE COURSES

The diagrams in Attachment A shows the course, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.

11 MARKS

11.1 ALPHA:

Marks 1, 2, 3 and 4 will be **orange pimple** buoys with continuous flashing orange lights.

12. THE START

- 12.1 Race will be started using a Le Mans start from the beach on the western side of the C/D jetty gate house.
- 12.2 The starting line will be between the gate house and a Beach Marshall/Starter.
- 12.3 The Starting Sequence will be announced by the Marshall.
- 12.4 The Marshall will announce an alert, with a sound signal, that the sequence of starts will begin in 5 minutes. The sequence will be Optimist, Laser Teams then Laser Solo.
- 12.5 Boats must keep clear of the starting area unless their warning signal has been made.

13. THE FINISH

13.1 The finish line will be between the orange post on the RPYC Presentation Deck and the orange pimple mark 1.

- 13.2 A lap will be completed when a yacht crosses the finish line.
- 13.3 A sound signal will be made at 2245, at which time; boats are required to complete the lap they are on and cross the finish line for the final time.

14. PENALTIES

14.1 A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under Rule 31 or 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgment form at the Race Office within the protest time limit.

15. TIME LIMIT

15.1 No new lap can be started after 2245 on Saturday the 23rd of March.

16. SKIPPER CHANGES

- 16.1 The target time for each skipper change will be 60 minutes for Optimists. A series of 2 sound signals will be made every 60 minutes to indicate time for Optimist skipper changes. Laser sailors can elect when they change, however no Laser team member may sail for more than four hours in total.
- 16.2 Boats will return to Starting beach area for skipper changes at the completion of the current lap.

17. PROTESTS AND REDRESS

- 17.1 Boats wishing to protest are required to hail the finish team as soon as they complete that lap. Protest forms are in the Dinghy Division. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered to the Start Marshall within 10 minutes of the last boat coming ashore. This changes rule 61.3.
- 17.2 Notices of protests by the Race Committee shall be posted on the official notice board within the protest time limit to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 17.3 Requests for re-openings shall be in writing and set out the grounds for the request. This changes rule 66.
- 17.4 Breaches of SI's 3.1, 7.1, 7.2, 7.3 and 14.1 will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the Protest Committee so decides. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this SI will be DPI. This changes rules A11 & 64.1.
- 17.5 Members of the protest committee may go afloat as on water observers.
- 17.6 Any protest hearing may be scheduled for the week following the event.
- 17.8 If the Protest Committee decides that a breach of a Class Rule has had no significant effect on the outcome of the race it may
 - a) Impose a scoring penalty less than disqualification; or
 - **b)** Make another arrangement it decides is equitable, this changes 64.1

18. SCORING

18.1 The division winner will be the boat that completes the most number of laps during the allotted time. If two boats are tied on lap numbers, the winner will be the boat finishing the final lap first.

19. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

All competing yachts shall conform to the measurement requirements of their respective Class rules. Random measurement checks and inspections may be carried out in any class at any time.

20. SUPPORT BOATS

Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside the area where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or retired (unless assisting a boat in distress or standing by a capsized boat).

All support boats shall register, please click here to register a support boat.

21. 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.

22. PRIZES

22.1 Prizes will be awarded for first place in the following team categories:

Laser Standard Open

Laser Radial Male

Laser Radial Female

Laser Radial Mixed

Laser 4.7 Female

Laser 4.7 Male

Laser 4.7 Mixed

Optimist Male

Optimist Female

Optimist Mixed

"Sailors of Steel" prizes will be awarded for first place in the following solo divisions:

Laser Standard

Laser Radial Men

Laser Radial Women

23. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the event.

24. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5,000,000 (recommended \$10,000,000) per event or equivalent.

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Attachment A

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RACING AREA AND COURSE

