

61st Cape Naturaliste and Return Race

Supplementary Sailing Instructions

Friday 21st March 2025



ORGANISING AUTHORITY
Royal Perth Yacht Club

Competitor Briefing

1800 Thursday 20th March
RPYC Annexe, Fremantle

Presentation

1800 Wednesday 26th March
RPYC Wardroom, Crawley

CONTACT LIST

Race Officers

Race Officer	David White	0412 011 416
Deputy Race Officer	Anna Klyne	0432 016 375

Race Committee

Commodore	Janet Hornbuckle	
Vice Commodore	Andrew McAullay	
Race Officer	David White	0412 011 416
Deputy Race Officer	Anna Klyne	0432 016 375
RPYC General Manager	Rick Coate	0439 808 850
RPYC Boating Operations Manager	Travis Burtenshaw	0488 058 207

Race Control Sat Phone

0424 224 594

Race Control FSC Radio Room

9435 8855

Radio Contacts

Offshore Race Control (Fremantle) – VHF CH82 (9435 8855)

Naturaliste Race Control – VHF CH80 (0412 532 211)

SUPPLEMENTARY SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

These Supplementary Sailing instructions shall govern this event together with the Notice of Race, Individual Race Notice for the 61st Cape Naturaliste and Return Race, and the Sailing Instructions contained in the Ocean Racing Western Australia Handbook 2024-2025. In the event of conflict, these SSI's shall prevail.

1. SAFETY REQUIREMENTS AND CREW LISTS

- 1.1. Crew lists and all required information must be submitted to the Organising Authority (OA) via "Top Yacht" by 0900 on Wednesday 19th March 2025. This changes ORWA 2024-2025 Handbook 6.2.2
- 1.2. Changes to crew lists made after this deadline will be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority, although no changes shall be made to the information in a Yachts online entry after the deadline without prior approval from the Organising Authority.
- 1.3. All yachts must have the following documents attached to their race entry online by midday on Wednesday 19 March 2025:
 - a. Australian Sailing Equipment Audit Form for Cat 3 or above. The form must be in date, signed by the person in charge, signed by a valid auditor and have a valid audit form number allocated by the yachts club for the current season.
 - b. Cat 3+ declaration form, 2024-2025 season, signed by the person in charge (not required if a valid Cat 2 or above form has been supplied).
 - c. Life raft certificate of reinspection (valid and for each life raft carried onboard).
 - d. ORWA radio declaration form, signed by the person in charge.
 - e. Keel Inspection Form as per Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 1 Section 3.02
 - f. At least one team shore contact added to the online race entry (two contacts may be provided).

2. COMPULSARY BRIEFING

The Welcome and Race Briefing will be held at 1800 on Thursday 20th March 2025 at the RPYC Annexe, Fremantle.

It is mandatory for at least two representatives from each yacht who are in the role of the race of: Owner, Skipper, Second in Charge or Navigator to attend. Sign in will be required. Teams who cannot meet this requirement must contact boatingcoordinator@rpyc.com.au prior to 1745 on that day to request dispensation from the Race Committee.

3. THE START

- 3.1. Warning Signal:

Blue Water Division

Division 1, 2 & Double Handed

Warning Signal

1755

- 3.2. The start area will be in the vicinity of Hall Bank Beacon.
- 3.3. The Vessel "Challenger" flying the RPYC Burgee will be the Committee Boat and will start the race.
- 3.4. The start pin is an orange inflatable buoy at the Port End.
- 3.5. A clearance mark may be streamed from the committee boat, this mark is deemed to be part of the Committee Boat for the purpose of RRS 31 and shall be passed on the same side as the Committee Boat when starting. This changes ORWA 2024-2025 Handbook 7.9.2.

5. THE FINISH

- 5.1. The Finish line will be as per ORWA 2024-2025 Handbook 7.10.
- 5.2. Finish times will be as per YB Tracking times. Boats are requested to record the time at which they cross the finish line in case of a Yellow Brick malfunction or any queries.

6. ADDITIONAL MARKS

- 6.1. Day Buoy (Fremantle) is described as a large yellow inflatable buoy.
- 6.2. Bunker Bay turning mark is the waypoint at the given co-ordinates. A large square red buoy will assist with marking the approximate position, however rounding times will be taken from tracker data (using the waypoint co-ordinates). If the mark is absent or out of position this will not be grounds for requests for redress.

7. THE COURSE

COURSE	
START	
DAY BUOY	
WESTERN SOUTH PASSAGE TRANSIT BEACON	PORT
WP: BUNKER BAY TURNING MARK 33° 31.5'S 115° 06.0'E	PORT
WESTERN SOUTH PASSAGE TRANSIT BEACON	STARBOARD
SOUTH MOLE FINISH	

8. TRACKER SYSTEM

- 8.1. A YB Tracking unit, provided by the Organising Authority shall be affixed to each boat before the race. It is the responsibility of each yacht's skipper to ensure that the tracker supplied to the yacht by the OA is fitted correctly and secured to the boat from the race preparatory signal until the boat has returned to a safe haven following the cessation of racing. See Appendix B for user guide.
- 8.2. Failure to carry and operate a YB tracking unit throughout the race will be grounds for disqualification.
- 8.3. At the completion of racing, trackers can be returned to the Boating Office at RPYC Crawley or at Presentations on Wednesday 26th March from 1800. All Trackers must be returned by 0900hrs Friday 28th March 2024. Failure to return the trackers will result in the skipper being charged the replacement cost.

9. COMMUNICATIONS

- 9.1. Satellite and Mobile Phones shall be turned on and be in position where they can be seen and heard when ringing and regularly checked for messages.
- 9.2. All boats shall make a test voice call, and a TXT/SMS message to Race Control SKED phone number "+61 424 224 594" before 1700 Thursday 20th March 2025. If Race Control is unable to answer the call, please leave a message and Race Control will get back to you. Race Control will log all test calls and advise when boats have completed testing and are Satellite Comms approved for the event.

9.4. Pre-Race Radio Check

Offshore Race Control Radio Office will be open from 1700hrs on Friday 21st March 2025 for radio checks on VHF CH82.

9.5. Listening Watch

All boats shall maintain a continuous listening watch on VHF CH16, 80 & 82 for the duration of the event.

9.6. Primary Race Radio Communications will be conducted on VHF CH82 and South of latitude 33°20.82S VHF CH80

10. REPORTS

10.1. Scheduled position reports (SKED) will be carried out via mobile / satellite devices as per ORWA 2024-2025 Handbook Appendix B Option 2. The number to be used is: **0424 224 594**

10.2. Position Reports VHF - All Boats must report at the following locations on the designated channels. Failure to do so will result in a 'no contact' penalty as per ORWA Handbook 2024-2025 Appendix B

Report to	Location	VHF Channel
Offshore Race Control (Fremantle)	When abeam of Coventry Reef travelling South	VHF CH82
Naturaliste Race Control	Promptly after the passing of Latitude 33°20.82S traveling south	VHF CH80
Naturaliste Race Control	Promptly after rounding Waypoint - Bunker Bay Turning Mark	VHF CH80
Offshore Race Control (Fremantle)	When abeam of Coventry Reef travelling North	VHF CH82
Offshore Race Control (Fremantle)	Promptly after passing Western South Passage Transit Beacon	VHF CH82

11. WAYPOINTS

11.1. The position of the Waypoint: "Bunker Bay Turning Mark" is specified solely by GPS coordinates, there will be no physical mark. The coordinates of this waypoint are as follows:

Bunker Bay Turning Mark **33° 31.5S** **115° 06.0E**

11.2. Boats shall round the specified position using GPS facilities, in the direction specified in the course.

11.3. The GPS position specified for the Bunker Bay Turning Mark waypoint in SSI 9.1 is set using the GPS WGS84 Datum. Competitors are advised to check that their GPS is set to the correct datum for the race.

12. ANCHORS

No anchor shall be carried on deck forward of the stem or with any part protruding outboard.

13. OUTSIDE COMMUNICATIONS

A boat may post social media reports to their team social media account during the race. A boat may send pictures and text to the Boating Co-ordinator at RPYC for the purpose of race media. This changes RRS 41.

14. INCIDENT AND RACE CONTROL REPORTING

Refer to ORWA 2024-2025 Handbook 6.14

15. RACE RESULTS & TROPHIES

15.1. The results for the 61st Cape Naturaliste will be published as soon as reasonably possible following the completion of the race. Provisional results will be displayed on the YB Tracking race viewer for the race which can be found on the web page.

<https://www.rpyc.com.au/on-the-water/sailing/capenaturalistereturn/>

15.2. Trophies will be presented at the RPYC Crawley Wardroom on Wednesday 27th March from 1800.

15.3. Perpetual Trophies will be awarded as below:

Don Allen Trophy 1st IRC Division 1, 2 & DH Combined
Roy H. Bingemann Trophy Fastest Time
Cape Naturaliste Shield 1st YAH Division 1 & 2 combined
J.B Fitzhardinge Trophy 1st YAH Double Handed
Jake Seabrook Trophy 1st IRC to Naturaliste Div 1,2 & DH combined

16. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

Appendix A

61st Cape Naturaliste and Return Ocean Race – Contact List for Competitors

Radio Room	FSC Radio Room – Offshore Race Control	9435 8855
	Naturaliste Radio Watch – Bernie Kaaks	0412 532 211
Officials	Race Officer – David White	0412 011 416
	Deputy Race Officer – Anna Klyne	0432 016 375
RPYC Staff	Boating Operations Manager	0488 058 207
	General Manager – Rick Coate	0439 808 850
Emergency Contacts Authorities	Water Police Coordination Centre – North Fremantle Marine Radio VHF 16 & 67	9442 8600 131 444 (marine emergencies)
	Joint Rescue Coordination Centre (AMSA SAR Maritime)	1800 641 792
	Fremantle Sea Rescue VN6DI – 24/7 (VHF Ch 73)	9335 1332
	Cockburn Sea Rescue VH6CL – 24/7 (VHF Ch 73) (on water assistance)	0409 103 029
	Rockingham Volunteer Sea Rescue Group – 24/7 VN6KC (VHF Ch 73 and 81 & 82)) (emergency number)	9528 2222
	Mandurah Volunteer Marine Rescue VMR611 (VHF CH 82(R) & 73)	0409 081 801 (0600-1800)
	Bunbury Sea Rescue VMR 634 (VHF CH 73)	0418 926 442 (no monitoring) 9797 2230
	Busselton Volunteer Marine Rescue (VHF CH 80)	9754 7777
	Naturaliste Volunteer Marine Rescue VMR631 (VHF CH 80)	0407 081 965

YB Tracker - Mounting Guide

The YB Tracker is an Iridium satellite based locator beacon, and as such requires to be able to see the sky - both for acquiring a GPS fix and transmitting positions.

!!! PLEASE INSTALL YOUR TRACKER IMMEDIATELY !!!
Your tracker has already been turned on

DOs and DO NOTs

- ✓ DO ensure that the YB Tracker is mounted with the antenna pointing towards the sky
- ✓ DO ensure that the YB Tracker has a good view of the sky
- ✗ DO NOT place the YB Tracker where it may be grabbed and broken in heavy seas
- ✗ DO NOT place the YB Tracker under metal covers or inside a vessel
- ✗ DO NOT place the YB Tracker within 12 inches of another GPS antenna

How to Mount

1. Wrap the velcro straps around a horizontal rail and a vertical rail
2. Put a cable tie around the rail, through an eyelet on the pouch, and secure

Examples of Good Mounting Positions



For more information please visit www.ybtracking.com

YB3 Rental Tracker

Basic Instruction Guide

Updated 11 June 2016



1 Keypad: UP, DOWN, LEFT, RIGHT and OK

2 ALERT Key 3 On rear, USB Port

The YB Rental Tracker is a self-contained battery powered GPS Tracking device.

It uses satellites to get GPS fixes and transmit its positions back to base. Therefore, it needs to have a good view of the sky to operate properly.



To turn the tracker ON:

To Turn the tracker on, press the LEFT ◀ and RIGHT ▶ keys together on the keypad 1. The screen will light up and you will be prompted to 'press UP to start' ▲.

Make sure the unit is outside when it is turned on:

The tracker will attempt to transmit as soon as it has been turned on, and will then revert to transmitting at its normal frequency. Whenever the tracker is trying to transmit, a green light will flash on the keypad.

Sending a 'one-off' position report (manual position report):

To send a one-off position report, press and hold the UP ▲ key for 5 seconds. The screen will wake up and a countdown will be displayed to confirm that the position is being sent.

To send an alert message:

Lift the flap at the bottom of the tracker, and hold down the red alert button for 5 seconds 2. The screen will say 'Sending Alert...' - ensure that the unit has the best view of the sky possible and leave until the green LED stops flashing. You can repeat this process.

To charge:

If you need to charge the tracker, simply unscrew the cap covering the USB port on the bottom of the unit 3 and plug into the USB charger. A red LED will turn on when the unit is charging. After charging, check that the USB cap is done back up again very tightly to ensure the unit remains fully waterproof.

To turn the tracker OFF:

To turn the tracker off, simply press the OK key to enter the main menu, scroll all the way down to 'Deactivation' and press OK, and OK again to confirm.