

SANDRINGHAM YACHT CLUB Inc.

NOTICE OF RACE

RONSTAN Passage race to Safety Beach Sailing Club

The Organising Authority is the Sandringham Yacht Club Inc.

Sandringham Yacht Club Inc. (SYC) invites entries for the passage race from SYC to Safety Beach Sailing Club (SBSC) to be held on Friday 19 February 2021.

1. RULES

The race will be governed by the Rules as defined in World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), Prescriptions and Special Regulations (SR) of the Australian Sailing (AS) and SYC Sailing Instructions (SI).

1.1. SYC MEMBERSHIP

All persons on board shall be a member of an Australian Sailing affiliated Club or comply with SYC's Day Membership requirements through the Sail Pass Scheme.

1.2. SYC MEMBERSHIP AND MEMBERPOINT SIGN ON

Before each race, all boats are required to sign on all their crew via the MemberPoint app (MemberPoint > member services > crew sign on), or through their TopYacht online entry prior to first race of the day.

Non-compliance is subject to a protest by the Race Committee. A breach of this requirement is not protestable by another boat.

If found by the Protest Committee to have breached this requirement, the penalty will be having her race score increased by 25% of the difference between the boat's finishing score and the score for DSQ in her division, rounded up to the next whole number. All other boats' scores will remain the same. This changes RRS Rule 64.1 and appendix A.

1.3. COVID-19

The race will be held within the Victorian Government's state wide restrictions that are in place at the time and date of the race. This will/may include restricted crew numbers which will be communicated to competitors via a Notice to Competitors.

All competitors shall comply with the SYC Keelboat racing COVIDSafe Plan, available online at <https://syc.com.au/coronavirus/>. Non-compliance with the requirements of the plan is subject to a protest from the Race Committee. The penalty for non-compliance will be disqualification from the race.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

Entry is open to all monohull keelboats that comply with SR Part 1 category 5.

Eligible boats may enter the race via the web at <https://https://www.topyacht.com.au/db/kb/1384>.

Entries must be lodged with the SYC office by 1600hrs on the Thursday preceding the race.

3. ENTRY FEES

There is no entry fee for this race.

4. RACE FORMAT

The race will be a single division, mass start, boat start off SYC, finishing at SBSC Tower.

5. RACE PROGRAM

The race start will be no earlier than 1000hrs on Friday 19 February 2021.

Time limit for this race is 1500hrs on 19 February 2021.

There will be no resails.

6. HANDICAPS and RATINGS

Performance Handicaps (PHS/EHC) will be allocated by the Race Committee for the race.

AMS ratings will be those issued by the Rating Authority (YRSA) and current at 1600 on the Thursday before the race.

ORC ratings will be those issued by the Rule Authority (AS) and current at 1600 on the Thursday before the race.

Non-Spinnaker and Two-Handed ratings shall not be used.

The Race Committee may make corrections to handicaps or ratings at any time. This changes RRS 78.

7. DIVISIONS

All boats will sail in a single division, under code flag W

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

SYC Sailing Instructions are available from the SYC Boating Office. The first copy for each boat is issued free but a fee will be charged for additional copies.

Notice to Competitors may be issued on the day of racing. These will be posted on the official notice board and a day sheet with handicap listings will be available online before the race.

9. RACING AREA

The race will be conducted on Port Philip, between SYC and SBSC.

10. COURSES

Special Course 0 will be as follows:

Boat start off SYC – gate or single mark* (approx. 0.5 miles to windward) – Yellow Pile to Port - Tower finish at SBSC.

*The Race Committee will announce prior to the Warning Signal on VHF Ch 77 whether a gate or a single mark is to be laid (and the direction of rounding).

Yellow Pile is located at approx. S38 18.613' / E144 59.220

Finish line at SBSC is between Green Pile located at approx. S38 18.381' / E144 59.305' and the SBSC tower. SBSC will keep a listening watch on VHF Ch 69.



11. SCORING

Boats will be scored on PHS (EHC), AMS, and ORC.

12. DISCLAIMER

All those taking part in races conducted by Sandringham Yacht Club Inc. do so at their own risk and responsibility. Sandringham Yacht Club, its staff, officers and volunteers accept no responsibility whatsoever for the seaworthiness of boats whose entries are accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.

Attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 3: The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.

Sandringham Yacht Club, its staff, officers and volunteers accept no responsibility whatsoever for loss or damage to boats or equipment or personal injury or death associated with races conducted by the Club.

13. INSURANCE

All competing yachts shall have public liability insurance for an amount of not less than Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000), with racing risk extension.

14. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information may be obtained from the SYC Office:

Telephone (03) 9599 0922
E-mail boating@syc.com.au
WEB Page www.syc.com.au

