



Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions

AUSTRALIA DAY SAILING EVENT

THURSDAY 26 Jan 2017

1. **Invitation** – NCYC extends an invitation to owners/skippers of eligible yachts to compete in the NCYC Australia Day Sailing event.
2. **Rules** – The race will be governed by the COLREGS and this combined Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions. The Racing Rules of Sailing do not apply.
3. **Eligibility** - All NCYC yachts satisfying the requirements of Maritime Safety Queensland for the type of boat sailing in partially smooth waters and capable of safely completing the course are eligible.
4. **Entry fee** – This is an NCYC member only event and therefore no entry fees apply.
5. **Entering the event** – Yachts wishing to enter shall do so by logging on to “Race Control” via VHF77 at least 15 min prior to the first boat to start.
6. **Start** – This event is a pursuit race with the same format as per our normal SAGS AND WAGS EVENTS. The start time for the first boat to start will be at precisely 10:30. All times are GPS times. No signals will be given. The start position will be at our normal starting point at Newport leads for SAGS. Boats will start at the time allocated for their boat on the list attached to this document.
7. **Extras** – A skipper may elect to use spinnakers or extras at any time during the event. Skippers using extras will only be eligible for prizes for extras. Separate prizes will be awarded to boats carrying no extras.
8. **Course** – This event may be either a PORT or STARBOARD course which will be Approx. 17.4 NM and announced on radio prior to the start.
PORT COURSE = Start. D Bay Red to Port; Cab River to port; D Bay Red to port; Cab River to port; Finish.

STARBOARD COURSE = Start; Cab River to starboard; D Bay Red to starboard;
Cab River to starboard; D Bay Red to starboard; Finish

9. Shortening of course - A shortened course will be announced prior to the start via VHF77. The shortened course will be our normal PORT OR STARBOARD course as used in SAGS and WAGS.

10. Finish – will be at Newport leads as per our normal SAGS and WAGS, depending on the course for the day:

11. Additional Safety Requirements –

All yachts are required to maintain a radio watch on VHF 77 at all times while racing.

Maritime Safety Queensland requires all participating yachts to be compliant with all licensing and registration conditions required for Queensland.

All yachts and participating personnel must also comply with all rules and legislations that are in place for Queensland ships.

Entrants are to familiarise themselves with the NCYC On-water Emergency Response Plan.

12. Sailing instructions –All required instructions are within this document.

13. Insurance - It is a condition of entry that each boat be covered by third party property and public liability insurance of at least \$10,000,000.

For those choosing to use spinnakers/extras, consideration should be given as to whether your insurance policy covers you for this event.

14. Presentation and Prizes – Announcement of results and prize giving will take place at the NCYC Clubhouse at Compass Marina following the event.

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