

NOTICE OF RACE

MARINASSESS WOMEN'S Match Racing Regatta 2010

27 & 28 February 2010

Organising Authority: Cruising Yacht Club of Australia

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) is the Cruising Yacht Club of Australia (CYCA).

2. VENUE

The venue will be the CYCA, New Beach Rd, Darling Point, New South Wales Racing will be conducted on the waters of Sydney Harbour, NSW.

3. EVENT GRADING

The event is an ISAF Grade 4 event. This grading is subject to review by the ISAF Match Race Rankings Sub Committee. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.

4. PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

4.1 The event will be held on 27 & 28 February 2010.

Friday	26 February	1300 – 1530 hrs 1600 hrs	Registration, Crew Weigh-in & Training Session Marinassess Fleet Race	
		1730 hrs	Welcome barbecue & boat draw	
Saturday	27 February	0830 hrs	Briefing	
		Following briefing	Umpires Briefing	
		1015 hrs	First Warning Signal	
		30 mins after docking	Umpires Debrief & Boat Draw	
Sunday	28 February	0830 hrs	Briefing	
		Following briefing	Umpires Briefing	
		1015 hrs	First Warning Signal	
		30 mins after docking	Umpires Debrief	
		1700 – 1900	Presentation @ CYCA	

- 4.2 Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is mandatory:
 - a) Registration and Weigh-In
 - b) Fleet race and Welcome function
 - c) Daily briefing for skippers
 - d) Umpires Debrief
 - e) Presentation Ceremony

5. SKIPPERS ELIGIBILITY

- a) All skippers shall be either a CYCA YSA Womens Training Squad Member, a 2010 Womens Harken competitors or skippers invited by the Organising Authority.
- b) All skippers and crew shall be female
- c) Competitors wishing to be invited should register their intention with the OA by completing the attached Application for Invitation. Applications must be received by the CYCA by **1700hrs Friday 22 January**, **2010.**
- d To remain eligible for entry, a team shall confirm acceptance of invitation in writing (facsimile or email is acceptable) to be received by the date on the letter of invitation.
- e) The designated skipper shall helm the boat at all times whilst racing, except in an emergency.
- f) All skippers shall obtain an ISAF Sailor ID by registering online at www.sailing.org/isafsailor. Skippers shall inform the OA of their ISAF Sailor ID at registration.

6. ENTRIES

- 6.1 Invited teams may enter by completing the Entry Form, which will be forwarded with confirmation of acceptance.
- 6.2 Entry fee: A non-refundable entry fee of \$660 (inclusive of GST) shall be paid to the CYCA by **1700hrs**Friday 5 February 2010 by all teams except for CYCA Womens Squad Entries. Entries will not be accepted until payment has been received. The team shall be entered on completion of registration, crew weighing and the payment of all fees and deposits. All payments shall be made by credit card, electronic funds transfer or cheque.

6.3 Damage Deposit

- a) An initial damage deposit of AUD \$500 per team (except for CYCA Womens Squad Entries) shall be paid at the time of Registration, unless extended by the Organising Authority. This deposit is the maximum payable by the team as a result of any one incident.
- b) In the event that a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the Organising Authority, it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the team will be permitted to continue in the event.
- c) Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded by 30 days after the event.

7. RULES

- 7.1 The following rules shall govern the event:
 - a) The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012 (RRS) of the International Sailing Federation, including Appendix C.
 - b) The Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Yachting Australia
 - c) The Notice of Race, including amendments
 - d) The Sailing Instructions (available at registration) and any amendments
 - e) The Rules for the Handling of Boats as detailed in the Sailing Instructions
 - f) Class rules will not apply.

8. BOATS AND SAILS

- a) The event will be sailed in Elliott 6 class boats.
- b) Ten boats will be provided.
- c) One Mainsail, Jib and Spinnaker will be provided with each boat.
- d) Boats will be allocated to teams daily or for each round as decided by the Race Committee.

9. CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- a) The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be 3 or 4.
- b) All registered crew shall sail all races.
- c) The maximum total crew weight, determined prior to racing shall be 272kg.
- d) When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event, the OA may authorise an original crew member to substitute.
- e) When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event, the Organising Authority may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

10. EVENT FORMAT

a) The event will consist of the following rounds:

Stage 1 – A double round robin

Stage 2 – A sail off between places 5th and 6th, 7th and 8th, 9th and 10th.

Stage 3 – Semi-finals - first to score 2 points

Stage 4 – Petite-final - first to score 2 points for places 3rd and 4th

Finals – first to score 3 points for places 1st and 2nd

Stages 2 & 3 and 2 & 4 may be sailed concurrently.

b) The OA may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round when, in their opinion, conditions do not permit completion of the intended format.

11. COURSE

- a) The course to be sailed will be windward/leeward with starboard rounding, finishing downwind.
- b) The intended course area is in the vicinity of Rushcutters Bay, Sydney Harbour.

12. ADVERTISING

- a) As boats and equipment will be supplied by the OA, ISAF regulation 20.3.2 applies. Each boat will be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA.
- b) The OA reserves the absolute right to require any competitor to remove advertising displayed by competitors on clothing, equipment (while racing or attending official functions), on boats to anywhere within the boundary of the regatta venue which may be in contravention of moral decency or government regulation.
- c) Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for infringements of any rules regarding advertising (amends RRS 60.1).
- d) Competitors may be required to wear clothing displaying the event sponsors name(s)/logo(s). If required these items will be supplied by the OA and worn whilst racing.

13. PRIZES

a) The Marinassess perpetual trophy will be awarded to the winning team.

14. MEDIA, IMAGES AND SOUND

The conditions of entry include that competitors acknowledge that the Organising Authority owns all media rights to the event and may exercise those rights as it sees fit and that the Organising Authority has the unconditional perpetual right to publish and broadcast, for any purpose and in any media, photographs and video and audio recordings taken of boats and competitors during the event.

15. COACH BOATS

- a) Coach boats shall conspicuously display identification of the team being coached. A coach boat is any boat that is under the direction or control of a person gathering information or giving material support for the benefit of particular competitors either on the water or off.
- b) The OA will provide berths for visiting coach boats where possible upon formal written request.
- c) Only coaches, who hold, as a minimum, current NCAS Level 1 Sailing Coach Accreditation or an equivalent International qualification and have signed the required Coaches Code of Conduct, are authorised to go afloat in a coach boat within the defined course area.
- d) Any interference by a coach boat with the racing or event organisation may result in a penalty applied at the discretion of the event umpires to the appropriate skipper or team.

16. CLUB FACILITIES

The OA will issue all competitors and officials of the Marinassess Women's Match Racing Regatta 2010 temporary membership of the CYCA for the duration of the regatta. Temporary membership will be issued on the basis that competitors and officials respect the rules and regulations of temporary membership and can have this privilege revoked should such request be ignored. Competitors and officials are to present themselves to the regatta office on arrival to be issued with their temporary membership pass.

17. DISCLAIMER

All those participating in the event do so at their own risk and responsibility. Competitors must acknowledge this prior to competing, and release the Organising Authority and its sponsors and their respective officers, employees, volunteers and members from all liability by signing a form provided by the Organising Authority. Specific attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4, which states:

"The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

Please contact: Justine Kirkjian

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APPLICATION for INVITATION

To: CYCA Youth Sailing Academy
Cruising Yacht Club of Australia
New Beach Rd, Darling Point, NSW 2027
Fax: (02) 93633065 Email: ysa.admin@cyca.com.au

This form must be returned to Cruising Yacht Club of Australia Youth Sailing Academy by Friday 22 January 2010

Name of C	lub:		Country:						
Team Contact Person:									
Club Email	Address:_								
Address:									
City:		Post Code:							
Phone:		Mobile Phone:							
SKIPPER:		Skipper Mobile No:							
Skipper En	nail Address	3:							
MYA No: _		ISAF number:							
Date	The most Event	The Skipper must complete the recent principle match racing rega Position in boat	ttas in which		l:- Finishing position				
DECLARA	ATION: By n	ny signature I agree to be bound b so accept to pay, with confirmatio	y the Racing	g Rules of Sailing a n Entry Fee of \$660	nd by all other rules				
Damage Depo			,, a						
SIGNED:		(Helmsman)							