



UK HALSEY

SYDNEY 38 SPRINT SERIES **2011-2012**

NOTICE OF RACE

Organising Authority for this Series is Sandringham Yacht Club Inc,
in association with Royal Brighton Yacht Club.

Sandringham Yacht Club Inc. (SYC) invites entries for the 2011-2012 UK Halsey Sydney 38 Summer Sprint Series to be sailed from October until February on the waters of Port Phillip.

1. RULES.

All races will be governed by the current rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), Prescriptions and Special Regulations of the Yachting Australia (YA), current SYC or RBYC Sailing Instructions, the current class rules of the Sydney 38 One Design Class except as any of these are altered by the Notice of Race (NoR) or Sailing Instructions (SI).

1.1 Membership Requirements

YA prescriptions to Rule 46 and Rule 55 apply to this Series.

SYC has introduced a complying Day Pass Membership to enable skippers and crew to meet their RRS obligations.

It shall be the responsibility of the person in charge of the boat to ensure that all crew on board for each race comply with these rules.

2 ADVERTISING.

All competitors may be required to display Series sponsor's name and/or logo. If supplied, these items shall be affixed and / or worn as prescribed in the Sailing Instructions.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY.

Entry is open to all Sydney 38 yachts that conform to the class rules of the Sydney 38 One Design Class, comply with the requisite safety category, have completed their safety compliance declaration and have lodged their Man Overboard compliance form.

Safety declaration shall be lodged by either marking the applicable box on the on-line entry, or by signing the paper-based entry form. A separate Man Overboard compliance declaration must be lodged with the SYC Boating Office and is available on the SYC web site under Keel Boat Racing.

Eligible boats may enter via the web at <http://www.syc.com.au/keelboat-racing/online-entries/>, Casual entries must be lodged with the SYC or RBYC office by 1200hrs on the Friday preceding the race. Late casual entries may be accepted subject payment of double the normal entry fee. Entries will not be accepted by telephone or radio.

4. ENTRY FEES.

Series Entry	\$70.00
Casual Entry	\$25.00

There will be no refund of casual entry payments for boats that subsequently apply for Series entry, nor any reduction in the Series Entry fee.

5. RACE FORMAT.

All races in the series will be fleet races with 'boat start, laid courses' as defined in the relevant Sailing Instructions.

6. RACE PROGRAM.

Race Day	Date	Location, race management by and Sailing Instructions applicable	First Warning Signal of the Day
1	Sunday 23 October 2011	SYC	955hrs
2	Sunday 27 November 2011	SYC	955hrs
3	Sunday 11 December 2011	RBYC	955hrs
4	Sunday 26 February 2012	SYC	955hrs

The Warning Signal for the first race of the day is as nominated above, with subsequent races following on as soon as practicable. The aim is for approx 3-4 races of 30 – 45 minute duration on each day. Note that racing may be conducted in conjunction with other One Design events scheduled on the same day.

The minimum number of races completed to constitute the Series is 6.

There shall be no resails on subsequent days.

7. MEASUREMENT.

Full measurement is not required, but all boats must conform to the class rules of the Sydney 38 One Design Class. The Race Committee reserves the right to inspect any yacht prior to or during the series to establish whether or not the yacht complies with the appropriate measurement restrictions.

8. DIVISIONS.

Not applicable.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS.

SYC Sailing Instructions are available from the SYC Office and the SYC web site. RBYC Sailing Instructions are available from the RBYC Office.

Notice to Competitors may be issued on the day of racing. These will be available at the Ken King Centre and the RBYC office before the race.

10. RACING AREA.

The races will be conducted on Port Phillip in the vicinity of SYC and RBYC.

11. COURSES.

Courses will be as described in the Sailing Instructions.
Sprint race courses will be short windward-leeward configuration.

12. SCORING.

The minimum number of entries required to constitute a series is 4.
The minimum number of starters for a race to be scored is 3.

Each boat's aggregate score shall be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score/s for 20% of completed races to the nearest lower whole number. This changes RRS A2.

Boats that have sailed as casual entries that subsequently convert to series entry will not be scored in the series for races sailed prior to submission and payment of series entry fee.

13. PRIZES.

Prizes may be awarded on each race day to the boat with the lowest combined score on the day with no exclusions.

Series winner will be awarded a memento trophy.

14. SAFETY.

The safety category applicable to this series is YA Category 6.

A declaration of compliance with safety requirements and Man Overboard form lodged from 1st October of a given year will remain valid until 31st of October the following year.

The safety declaration will not remain valid unless the boat and safety equipment is maintained in accordance with the requirements of the relevant safety category.

Skippers of all boats must recognise the limitations of their vessel and withdraw from the race if weather conditions exceed Class Rules or design safety.

15. INSURANCE.

All competing yachts shall have public liability insurance for an amount of not less than Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000).

16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

All those taking part in races conducted by SYC do so at their own risk and responsibility. SYC is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.

SYC is not responsible for any damage or injury, either ashore or at sea to persons or boats, which might result from participating in races conducted by SYC.

Competitor attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rules 3 and 4.

Fundamental Rule 3 – Acceptance of the Rules:

“By participating in a race conducted under these Racing Rules, each competitor and boat owner agrees:

(a) to be governed by the Rules;

(b) to accept the penalties imposed and other action taken under the Rules, subject to appeal and review procedures provided in them, as the final determination of any matter arising under the Rules; and

(c) where the matter is not one to be determined under Rules, not to resort to any court of law or any tribunal until all internal remedies provided by the ISAF or by the Court of Arbitration for Sport have been exhausted.”

Fundamental Rule 4 - Decision to Race:

“The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.”

17. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

Additional information may be obtained from the SYC Boating Office as follows:

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