

NOTICE OF RACE

Australian Universities Yacht Racing Nationals 2013

25th-26th July
The Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club

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1 INVITATION

The Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club invites current University students to enter the 2013 Australian Universities Yacht Racing Championship (fleet racing).

2 RULES

2.1 The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (2013-2016) as modified by the Sailing Instructions.

2.2 All participants while aboard the Force 24 shall wear a Personal Flotation Device (PFD) Type 1 at all times during the Series. Each PFD 1 shall meet and be branded in accordance with AS 4758 (minimum Level 100) or AS 1512-1996 Type 1 or equivalent (or more stringent) overseas standard. Competitors are to provide their own compliant PFD Type 1.

2.3 The rules for the Handling of Boats (SI appendix C).

2.4 If there is a conflict between rules or regulations, other than the RRS, the Sailing Instructions will prevail.

3 ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

3.1 A maximum of 6 teams will be accepted.

3.2 The defending champion from the previous series receives automatic entry.

3.3 All members of the team (including Helmsperson) must be current students of an Australian university recognised by the organising committee and hold a current MNA (Yachting Australia for Australian residents) membership.

3.4 The maximum total crew weight, determined prior to racing shall be 350kg, when wearing at least shorts & shirt.

3.5 The minimum number of crew shall be four (4) and the maximum five (5).

3.6 A team must sail each race with the same crew as at the time of registration.

3.7 When a registered helmsperson or crew is unable to continue in the event the Organising Authority may authorise a replacement member, of similar weight and ability as a substitute.

3.8 A crew member, if needed to substitute, can only sail with one team.

3.8.1 Eligible teams are invited to apply for entry. The entry shall be lodged with payment of the non-refundable entry fee. Entries shall be requested via the regatta website at <http://2013regatta.weebly.com/>.

3.8.2 If more than six (6) entries are received, entries will be accepted at the discretion of University Sailing Sydney.

3.9 To remain eligible teams must complete the damage deposit form by the end of registration.

3.10 Entries close at 17:00 Tuesday July 23rd 2013. Late Entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority following the payment of \$100.

4 FEES

4.1 A non-refundable Championship entry of \$550.00 (inc. GST) per boat is payable to The Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club.

4.2 Damage Deposit

4.2.1 An initial damage deposit of AUD\$600 shall be paid on or before registration.

4.2.2 Damage deposit may be paid via valid credit card or a cheque payable 5 days prior to registration.

4.2.3 In the event the Organising Authority insurance refuses to pay for damage the competitor/s shall be liable for all damage incurred.

4.2.4 In the event that the Organising Authority decides a deduction from the damage deposit is required, the deposit must be restored to its original amount before the team will be permitted to continue in the event.

4.2.5 Any remaining deposit will be refunded within 10 days.

4.3 An Entry without payment will not be considered a valid entry.

5 REGISTRATION & CREW WEIGH-IN

5.1 All teams shall register & weigh-in with the Organising Authority at RPAYC on Thursday 25th July 2013 between 0830 – 0930hrs, unless extended by the Organising Authority.

6 SCHEDULE

6.1 A maximum of 8 races will be conducted for the series.

6.2 Schedule of Events

Date	Time	Description
Thursday 25th July	0830 – 0930hrs 0930hrs 1100hrs	Weigh-in Briefing & Boat Draw First Warning Signal
Friday 26th July	0930hrs 1100hrs Approx. 1.5hrs after finish of the last race	Boat Draw First Warning Signal Prize Giving

6.3 No Warning Signal will be made after 1530hrs on the last scheduled day of racing.

7 BOATS

7.1 Six (6) Force 24 class yachts will be supplied by the Organising Authority for all competitors who shall not modify or cause them to be modified in any way except that wind indicators, including yarn or thread, may be tied or taped anywhere on the boat.

7.2 The following sails will be provided for each boat: Mainsail, Jib and Spinnaker.

7.3 Boats will be allocated by draw at the beginning of each day as decided by the Race Committee.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

8.1 Sailing Instructions will be available at registration or at the regatta website, whichever comes first.

9 COURSES

9.1 Shall be windward/leeward courses as described in the Sailing Instructions.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

10.1 The penalty for breaking a rule of part 2 shall be a One Turn Penalty (one tack and one gybe in the same direction) except that for infringements where penalties are taken within the Zone, as defined in the RRS, shall be a Two Turns Penalty (two tacks and two gybes in the same direction). This changes RRS 44.1 and 44.2.

11 SCORING

11.1 Three (3) races are required to constitute a series.

11.2 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

11.3 When five (5) or more races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

12 SUPPORT BOATS

12.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the first Warning Signal of the day until all boats have finished for the day or the Race Committee signals a postponement or abandonment. Following a postponement or abandonment, team leaders, coaches and other support personnel may enter the sailing area but must remove themselves from the area and stay outside of the area from the time of the next Warning Signal until all boats have finished racing for the day.

13 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

13.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmission while racing which is not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

14 PRIZES

14.1 Prizes will be awarded discretion of University Racing Sydney.

14.2 This event is acting as the qualifying regatta for the 33rd Student Yachting World Cup in Pornic, France. The winning helmsman from this regatta qualifies for the position to represent their university at the world cup on behalf of Australia, if the first place helmsman declines their spot, another appropriate competing skipper will be given the qualifying spot at the discretion of University Racing Sydney and the organising member from the Australian University Sailing Association. Failure to give notice to University Racing Sydney of entry to the Student Yachting World Cup by August 12th 2013 revokes the helmsman's position.

15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

15.1 It is the competitor's decision to enter the Event or to start and continue in any race. Competitors shall accept that their participation in the Event is at their exclusive risk in every respect. By way of entry in the Event competitors shall indemnify the Organising Authorities, and the Host Club, their Officers, Members, Staff and Agents in respect to all claims and demands of whatever nature which may be made upon them in connection with or howsoever arising from their participation or intended participation in the Event.

15.2 The Organising Authorities, and the Host Sailing Club, their Officers, Members, Staff and Agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of their participation or intended participation in the Event or howsoever arising in connection with the Event.

15.3 Competitors' attention is drawn to RRS 4 – Decision to Race.

15.4 By entering, skippers assume complete responsibility and liability for themselves and crew.

16 FURTHER INFORMATION

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