



Southport Yacht Club Presents the:

2013 COOK ISLAND RACE

NOTICE OF RACE AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 INVITATION

- 1.1 An invitation is extended to owners, skippers and crews of eligible yachts to nominate for entry and to compete in the 2013 Cook Island Coastal Passage Race, to be held offshore from the Gold Coast to Cook Island off Fingal Head and return, scheduled for Sunday 2nd February 2014.

2 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

- 2.1 The Organising Authority shall be Southport Yacht Club Inc (SYC) located at Macarthur Parade, Main Beach, Gold Coast, Queensland 4217.

3 RULES

- 3.1 The Cook Island Coastal Passage Race will be governed by the 2013 - 2016 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea (COLREGS), the Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Yachting Australia (YA), and by this Combined Notice of Race (NOR) and Sailing Instructions (SI).

4 ALTERATIONS OF RACING RULES

- 4.1 ISAF RRS 50.2 is amended to include the provision, "Fixed and Retractable Spinnaker Poles will be permitted for the purpose of setting Asymmetric Spinnakers".
- 4.2 ISAF RRS 50.3 is amended to include the provision, "A Bowsprit may be used to secure the tack of a spinnaker".

5 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 5.1 The Race is open to Monohull and Multihull yachts which: have a minimum LOA of 7.0 Metres, comply with the requirements of Yachting Australia Special Regulations Category Four (4), hold current third party and public liability insurance (minimum) AUD\$5Million, comply with the requirements of registration according to the State, Territory or Country from which it hails, be listed on the register of a Yacht Club affiliated with their National Authority, be sailed by a minimum of three (3) crew who have attained 18 years of age on or before Sunday 2nd February 2014, and be entered by a Person-In-Charge who is a member of a Yacht Club affiliated with their State or National Authority, in accordance with Yachting Australia prescription to Rule 46.
- 5.3 Eligible yachts may nominate for entry on the Official Entry Form (provided as Attachment A) accompanied by the required Fee of \$30.00 (Inclusive of GST) no later than 1700 hours on Friday 31st January 2014.
Race entries that raced on the 14th December 2013 are not required to pay the Fee of \$30.00 (inclusive of GST) however must still complete a new Official Entry Form for this re-scheduled race on Sunday 2nd February.

- 5.4 Entered Yachts shall complete and submit a Yachting Australia Special Regulations Category Four (4) Safety Equipment Compliance Form (provided as attachment B), and a Crew List Form (provided as attachment C), no later than 1700 hours on Friday 31st January 2014.

6 DIVISIONS

- 6.1 The Race will comprise one (1) division. Class Sub-Divisions may be made subject to the number of entries received and at the absolute discretion of the Race Committee. A minimum of five (5) yachts are required to constitute a division.

7 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 7.1 Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board, located in the foyer of the Southport Yacht Club Main Beach Clubhouse.

8 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 8.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0700 hours on the day of the Race, except that any change which affects the schedule of the Race will be posted before 1700 hours on the day before it will take effect.

9 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 9.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located on the Tower of the Southport Yacht Club Hollywell Clubhouse.
- 9.2 When Flag AP is displayed ashore, 'one minute' is replaced with 'not less than ninety minutes' in race signal AP.

10 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 10.1 Events of the Race will operate according to the following schedule.

DATE	EVENT	TIME
Sunday 2nd February 2014	Warning Signal for the Cook Island Race	0955 hrs
	Time Limit for Race is 8 hrs	
	Presentation of Prizes at Main Beach	1800 hrs

11 CLASS FLAGS

- 11.1 The Warning Signal for all yachts shall be International Code Flag 'T'.

12 REGATTA SITE

- 12.1 The Race will be conducted from Southport Yacht Club Hollywell

13 RACING AREA

- 13.1 The Racing Area will be the region offshore between the Gold Coast Seaway and Cook Island located in the vicinity of Fingal Head. Allow at least one hour to reach the starting line through the Gold Coast Seaway from Southport Yacht Club.
- 13.2 When entering or departing the Gold Coast Seaway, the Organising Authority strongly encourages all skippers to carefully observe the prevailing conditions and wave patterns. Skippers are strongly encouraged to have all crew on deck and all hatches securely closed while crossing, and to consider the need for personal buoyancy while crossing the Seaway.

14 THE COURSE

- 14.1 The course will be a coastal passage race: Start line in the vicinity of the Gold Coast Seaway Sand Bypass Jetty then proceed in a Southerly direction to a STARBOARD turning mark located at approx 28° 11.227'S, 153° 34.300'E then proceed to finish in the vicinity of the Gold Coast Seaway Sand Bypass Jetty.
- 14.2 Australian Maritime Chart AUS814 (Point Danger to Cape Moreton) shall be carried on board, in accordance with Yachting Australia Special Regulations Part 1, Section 4.10.

15 THE START

- 15.1 The Race will be started using Rule 26, with the Warning Signal given Five Minutes before the Starting Signal. All Divisions shall start at the same Starting Signal.
- 15.2 The starting line will be approximately 1 Nautical Mile to the East of the Sand Bypass Jetty, at approximately 27°56.4'S, 153°27.0'E. The Starting Line will be between the staff displaying an Orange flag or shape on the Race Committee to Starboard, and the Starting Mark to Port.
- 15.3 Any Yacht which starts later than Twenty (20) minutes after their Starting Signal will be scored as Did Not Start (DNS).

16 RECALLS

- 16.1 Individual Recalls will be signalled according to ISAF RRS 29.1, except that in the event of an Individual Recall the Race Committee Vessel will also attempt to contact the recalled yacht on VHF 73 as soon as possible but no later than fifteen (15) minutes after the Starting Signal. This modifies ISAF RRS 29.1.
- 16.2 General Recalls will be signalled according to ISAF RRS 29.2

17 CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START

- 17.1 There is no provision for a change of course after the start.

18 SHORTENED COURSE

- 18.1 The Course will not be shortened. This changes rule 32.

19 THE FINISH

- 19.1 The Finishing Line shall be the imaginary line between the earlier Starting Mark and the Sand Bypass Jetty, located to the South of the Gold Coast Seaway. Yachts shall cross the finishing line in a northerly direction.
- 19.2 (a) Yachts shall record their own finishing time and **shall** txt them to **Simon 0400 55 8917** within 30 minutes of finishing, failure to do may result in a yacht scoring a DNF without a hearing
- (b) All skippers shall complete and submit a Skippers Declaration Form Appendix D as soon as possible after finishing but no later than 1700 hours on Sunday 2nd February 2014 detailing the finishing time of the yacht and any infringements of the RRS.

Declarations may be submitted to the Main Beach Reception Desk or the Hollywell Sailing Office or sent by Fax to the Hollywell Sailing Squadron Sailing Office on 07 55377131. Any enquiries with regards to this please contact Simon Turpin 0400 55 8917.

20 SCORING

- 20.1 Results for each division will be decided by application of the Performance Handicap System (PHS) Time Correction Factor (TCF), expressed as four (4) decimal places and applied as a multiplier to elapsed times. The PHS TCF will be allocated by the Race Committee or its nominee, will be performance based and will not be subject to protest, redress or dispute. This modifies ISAF RRS 62.1(a).

21 ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES

- 21.1 The 720° penalty, Rule 44.2 of the ISAF RRS shall apply for infringement of the Rules of Part 2 of the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 21.2a Rule 44.3a is amended so that a boat need not display a Yellow Flag, however a boat that takes a Scoring Penalty shall submit a declaration (attached to the Sailing Instructions) to the Race Committee at the earliest available opportunity and comply with the requirements of Rule 44.3b.
- 21.2b Rule 44.3c is amended so that the boat's penalty score will be Ten (10) minutes added to the corrected time of the boat after the application of the PHS TCF.

22 TIME LIMIT

- 22.1 The Time Limit for the Race will be eight (8) hours from the starting time. Yachts which have not finished by this time will be scored DNF.

23 PROTESTS AND REDRESS

- 23.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the race or 5.30pm, whichever is the later.
- 23.2 Protest Notices will be posted within fifteen (15) minutes of the Protest Time Limit to inform competitors when and where there is a hearing in which they are parties to a hearing or named as witnesses.
- 23.3 Protests will be heard in approximately the order of receipt and as soon as possible.
- 23.4 Yachts which divert from their optimum course for the purposes of search and/or rescue, or alternatively when carrying out their obligations under ISAF RRS 1.1, are strongly advised to keep a detailed log of their movements and are invited to make an application to the Race Committee for redress. The granting of and the extent and method of calculating redress shall be at the absolute discretion of the Race Committee, except that the Protest Committee shall not decide to abandon the race. This amends ISAF RRS 64.2.

25 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 25.1 All yachts shall Log-On with Gold Coast Seaway Tower prior to departing the Gold Coast Seaway and Log-Off upon entering the Gold Coast Seaway after finishing or retiring from the race. Yachts which fail to Log-On or Log-Off will be scored as DNS or DNF, respectively. Boats returning through the Gold Coast Seaway outside the operating hours of Seaway Tower shall log off with Volunteer Marine Rescue Southport or Coast Guard Southport.

26 PRIZES

- 26.1 Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd & 3rd on corrected time and to the Fastest Elapsed Time in each division.
- 26.2 Other Prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 26.4 Announcement of overall results and presentation of prizes will take place at approximately 1800 hours on Sunday 2nd February 2013 at the Main Bar of Southport Yacht Club.
- 26.5 The Overall First Place Winners will be presented with the Southport Yacht Club Cook Island Coastal Passage Race Perpetual Trophy at the Annual Yachties Presentation Night, held June 2014 at the Southport Yacht Club Main Beach Clubhouse.

27 INDEMNITY

- 27.1 Any entrant found to be deliberately invalidating certificates, falsifying documentation or otherwise misleading the Race Committee may be subject to action under ISAF RRS 69.1. If the Protest is upheld the yacht may be subject to disqualification from any future SYC event and the incident will be reported to Yachting Australia.
- 27.2 Participants attention is drawn to:
 - 27.2a ISAF 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."
 - 27.2b YA Special Regulation 1.02.1 which states, "The safety of a boat and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner, or the owner's representative who must do their best to ensure that the boat is fully found, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by an experienced crew who are physically fit to face bad weather. He must be satisfied as to the soundness of the hull, spars, rigging, sails and all gear. He must ensure that all safety equipment is properly maintained and stowed and that the crew know where it is kept and how it is to be used."
- 27.3 All those taking part in Southport Yacht Club events do so at their own risk and responsibility. The SYC is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.

28 BERTHING ARRANGEMENTS

- 28.1 Free berthing will be available at the SYC Marina for entered competing yachts from 1000 hours on Friday 31st January 2014 to 1200 hours on Monday 3rd February 2014.
- 28.2 Berthing allocation must be arranged in advance through the Marina Office. Phone (07) 5591 3500.

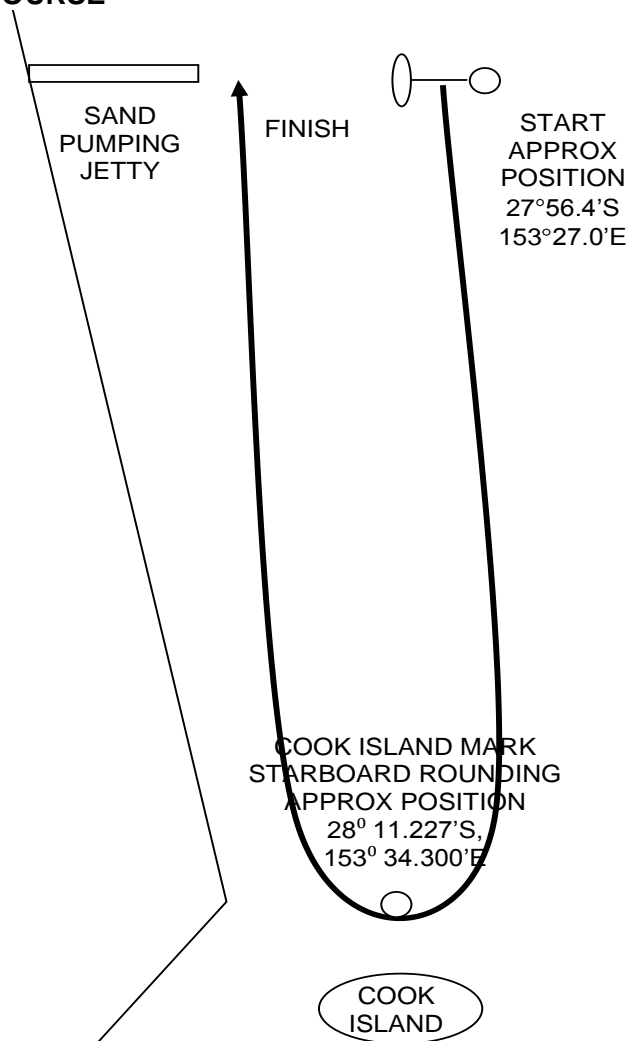
29 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 29.1 For further info, please contact Simon Turpin, Sailing Administrator, Phone (07) 5537 7030. Fax (07) 5537 7131. Mobile 0400 55 8917. E-Mail sailing@southportyachtclub.com.au.



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ILLUSTRATION A – THE COURSE



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ATTACHMENT A – OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

BOAT NAME		SAIL NUMBER	
REGISTRATION NO		HULL COLOUR	
RADIOS FITTED		CALLSIGN	
DESIGN / CLASS		LENGTH O/A	
KEEL TYPE		RIG TYPE	
SPINNAKER TYPE		P.H.S. T.C.F.	
DIVISION	DIVISION ONE (MONOHULLS) __ DIVISION TWO (MULTIHULLS) __		
LISTED ON THE REGISTER OF VESSELS AT	YACHT CLUB		
PERSON-IN-CHARGE			
MEMBER OF	YACHT CLUB		
YA SILVER CARD #			
ADDRESS			
SUBURB		STATE / PC	
HOME PHONE		MOBILE PHONE	
WORK PHONE		FAX NUMBER	
E-MAIL ADDRESS			
\$30.00 ENTRY FEE	Cash / Cheque / American Express / Master Card / Visa		
CARD NUMBER			
CARDHOLDER NAME		EXPIRY DATE	
SIGNATURE			
<p>DECLARATION: I declare that all the above details are correct and that the Boat holds current Third Party and Public Liability Insurance coverage to the value of not less than \$AU5Million. I agree to be bound by the ISAF Racing Rules for Sailing, the Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Yachting Australia, the relevant Class Rules, the Notice of Race (except where any of these are altered by the Sailing Instructions) and by the Sailing Instructions. I acknowledge that Southport Yacht Club Inc is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment. Furthermore I agree to indemnify Southport Yacht Club Inc from any responsibility in regard to myself, my crew and my vessel during this Series. I agree that this indemnity extends to all Officers, Sponsors and Agents of Southport Yacht Club Inc. I understand my obligation under 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".</p>			
SIGNATURE		DATE	
NAME OF PERSON-IN-CHARGE			
THIS SECTION IS FOR OFFICE USE ONLY		RECEIPT #	
RECEIVED BY		DATE	

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ATTACHMENT B – YACHTING AUSTRALIA SPECIAL REGULATIONS CATEGORY FOUR SAFETY EQUIPMENT COMPLIANCE FORM

Rule	Item	Owner	EIA	Elo	Item	Owner	EIA
3.04	Two escape exits				Engine make	Diesel/petrol	
3.05	Hatches			3.23	HP	Speed	
	Companionways				Fuel capacity	No of tanks	
	Method of Securing Tiebolt				Fuel line installation		
3.06	Storm boards				Stop cocks		
3.06	Cockpits & Cockpit drains				Radio Transceiver	VHF or 27mgh	
3.11	Lifelines				Emergency Antenna		
	Pulpits				Weather Broadcast Receiver		
	Stanchions				No of batteries	Sealed or gel filled (Cat 3)	
3.12	Toerails			3.24	Portable Sail No		
	Steering compass				Fire Extinguishers	AS Type	
	Spare Steering Compass (Cat 3)			4.04	No	Date Serviced	
3.19	Navigation Lights				Installation & Placings	Fire blanket	
	Reserve Navigation Lights				Anchors Chains & Warps		
3.22	Identification on Hull			4.05	No (min 2)	Secured	
	Jackstays (Cat 3) and Strong Points				Flashlight No	Spare batteries & bulbs	
4.03	Knife in or near cockpit			4.06	First Aid Kit & Manual		
	Lifebuoys No				Waterproof container		
	Drogues				Charts	Piloting equipment	Books
	Lights				International Collision Regs	AYF Rule Book	
	Whistles				Depth Sounder or Leadline (Cat 3)		
	Retroreflective Tape				Log (Cat 3)		
	Boat's Name				Emergency Tiller		
4.21	Heaving Line			4.14	Emergency steering		
	Reefing Mainsail				Bosun's chair	Tools & spares	
	Heavy weather jib				Boat's name on buoyant equipment		
4.24	Man Overboard Retrieval Gear			4.16	EPIRB Brand (Cat 3)	Battery Date	
	Ballast & heavy fittings secured				Flares (AS2092 or equivalent)	Waterproof container	
2.03	No. of seacocks			4.22	Orange distress sheet with lanyards		
	4.02 Plugs Attached				PFDs (AS1512 or equivalent)	No	
3.07	Mast heel securely fastened				Whistles	Retroreflective tape	Boats Name
	Head installation				Crotch strap or thigh straps (Cat 3)		
3.09	Bunks securely installed				Harnesses (AS2227 or equivalent)	No	
	Cooking stove				Personal lights		
	Fuel						
	Installation						
	Gas certificate						
	Sign						
	Galley facilities						
3.15	Water capacity (Cat 3)						
	No of tanks						
3.16	Adequate hand holds fitted below decks						
	Bilge pumps						
	Handles						
3.17	2 buckets with lanyards						

DECLARATION BY OWNER OR REPRESENTATIVE: I have read and understand my obligations as set out in the Yachting Australia Special Regulations 2013-2016, in particular 1.02(a), (b) & (c) Owner's Responsibility. I understand that the audit is carried out only as a guide to Owners and Race Organising Authorities. An auditor cannot limit or reduce the complete and unlimited responsibility of the Owner or the Owner's Representative as defined in 1.02(a), (b) & (c) Owner's Responsibility. I undertake to maintain the boat and all its equipment in good order and condition as specified in these Regulations.

BOAT NAME		SAIL NUMBER	
SIGNATURE		DATE	
NAME OF PERSON-IN-CHARGE			

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ATTACHMENT C – CREW LIST

All information given is strictly confidential. Please complete the form in full including the Name, Phone Number and Mobile Telephone Number of an Emergency Contact who is not competing in the race. Emergency contact details will only be used in accordance with the procedures of the Emergency Management Plan.

SKIPPER'S NAME			
HOME ADDRESS			
SUBURB		STATE / P.C.	
PHONE NUMBER		MOBILE NUMBER	
CONTACT NAME			
CONTACT PHONE		CONTACT MOBILE	

CREW #1 NAME			
HOME ADDRESS			
SUBURB		STATE / P.C.	
PHONE NUMBER		MOBILE NUMBER	
CONTACT NAME			
CONTACT PHONE		CONTACT MOBILE	

CREW #2 NAME			
HOME ADDRESS			
SUBURB		STATE / P.C.	
PHONE NUMBER		MOBILE NUMBER	
CONTACT NAME			
CONTACT PHONE		CONTACT MOBILE	

CREW #3 NAME			
HOME ADDRESS			
SUBURB		STATE / P.C.	
PHONE NUMBER		MOBILE NUMBER	
CONTACT NAME			
CONTACT PHONE		CONTACT MOBILE	

CREW #4 NAME			
HOME ADDRESS			
SUBURB		STATE / P.C.	
PHONE NUMBER		MOBILE NUMBER	
CONTACT NAME			
CONTACT PHONE		CONTACT MOBILE	

CREW #5 NAME			
HOME ADDRESS			
SUBURB		STATE / P.C.	
PHONE NUMBER		MOBILE NUMBER	
CONTACT NAME			
CONTACT PHONE		CONTACT MOBILE	

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ATTACHMENT D – SKIPPER'S DECLARATION

To The Regatta Administrator, 2013 Cook Island Coastal Passage Race.
Hollywell Sailing Squadron, 1 Marina Crescent Hollywell Qld 4216.
Phone (07) 5537 7030, Fax (07) 5537 7131, 0414 606 238

I hereby declare that I am a Member of _____ Yacht Club.
During the 2013 Cook Island Coastal Passage Race, organised by Southport Yacht Club and
starting on Sunday 2nd February 2014 I was on board and in charge of the yacht:

BOAT NAME		SAIL NUMBER	
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I declare that during the race the following Rules were NOT observed and/or Infringements occurred, with an explanation given as follows:

The finishing time of my yacht was recorded as: ___:___:___ On Date: ___/___/___

Name of Person-In-Charge: _____ Date: ___/___/___

Signature of Person-In-Charge: _____

Witnessed by: (Crew Member) _____ Member of: _____ Y.C.

Office Use Only: Received By: _____

At Date: ___/___/___ Time: ___:___:___ Location: _____

Watch Correction: (Delete) ADD / SUBTRACT _____ Seconds to finishing time