

JULIAN ROCKS YACHT RACE



SATURDAY 20TH MARCH 2021

NOTICE OF RACE

Organising Authority

Southport Yacht Club Inc.

Hollywell Sailing Squadron
1 Marina Crescent
Hollywell QLD 4216



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INVITATION

Southport Yacht Club extends a warm invitation to all owners, skippers and crews of all eligible boats to enter and compete in the 2021 Julian Rocks Yacht Race to be held offshore from the Gold Coast to Julian Rocks off Byron Bay on Saturday 20th March 2021. The course length is approximately 84 nautical miles.

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority shall be Southport Yacht Club Inc. (SYC) located at Macarthur Parade, Main Beach QLD 4217. Phone (07) 5537 7030. Fax (07) 553H7 7131.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The Julian Rocks Yacht Race will be governed by the current rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. The prescriptions and special regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) Part 1 Category 3 will apply.
- 1.3. The IRC Rule 2017 Parts A, B & C will apply
- 1.4. The Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions. When conflict occurs between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the rules of the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7
- 1.5. RRS 50.2 is amended to include the provision, "Fixed and Retractable Spinnaker Poles will be permitted for the purpose of setting Asymmetric Spinnakers".
- 1.6. RRS 50.3 is amended to include the provision, "A Bowsprit may be used to secure the tack of a spinnaker".
- 1.7. The International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea (COLREGS) will replace Part 2 of the RRS between the hours of sunset and sunrise.
- 1.8. Australian Sailing Special Regulations Category Three (3) are amended to include Regulations: 2.04 (Crew Experience), 3.01.2 (Multihull Bulkheads), 5.02 (Safety Harnesses).
- 1.9. Should interaction occur with non-participating ships, then COLREGS shall apply to all ships and shall over-ride all other rules.
- 1.10. RRS Appendix T – Arbitration applies.
- 1.11. All competitors are reminded of RRS 1.1 Helping Those in Danger; A boat or competitor shall give all possible help to any person or vessel in danger.
- 1.12. Current Covid-19 Safe Plan in Place. We are compliant in accordance with the 'Aquatic Sport Sector Industry COVID Safe plan', for Yachting QLD (Sailing) – small off the beach craft & yachts. At all times, the Plan is subject to all regulations, guidelines, and directions of Government and Public Health Authorities. Protocols as set out by the Organising Authority, include online pre-registration for the event as detailed in "Attachment C" of the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.13. A compulsory skippers briefing & registration will be held at Southport Yacht Club Main Beach on Thursday 18th March at 1900hrs

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available from 1700hrs Sunday 14th March 2021 at the Southport Yacht Club Sailing Squadron at 1 Marina Crescent Hollywell, or online at <https://www.southportyachtclub.com.au/sailing/special-sailing-events-2/>

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS & REGATTA SITE

The Regatta office will be located at Southport Yacht Club, Hollywell. The Official Notice Board is located in the Fo'cs'le room. Southport Yacht Club, 1 Macarthur Parade, Main Beach, Qld 4217, Additionally, notices may be posted to the Official Online Notice Board <https://www.southportyachtclub.com.au/sailing-office-notice-board/>.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The Yacht Race is open to Performance Handicap System (PHS) Rated Racing & Cruising monohull and multihull boats that comply with Yachting Australia Special Regulations Part 1 Category 3.
- 4.2. Sub-Divisions may be made by the Race Committee based on boat numbers, ie Monohull Spinnakers, Monohull Non-Spinnakers, Multihull Division's etc.
- 4.3. Entries close at 2359hrs, Tuesday 16th March 2021. No late entries will be accepted.

5. FEES AND DOCUMENTATION TO BE LODGED

- 5.1. The required entry fee paid on and before the 12th of March 2021 will be \$60.00.
- 5.2. The required entry fee paid from the 13th of March 2021 until the 16th of March will be \$80.00.
- 5.3. No entries will be received after 2359hrs on the 16th of March 2021.
- 5.4. Block SYC Special Event entrants are automatically entered in the race.
- 5.5. Eligible boats shall enter online via <http://www.southportyachtclub.com.au/sailing/special-sailing-events-2/> accompanied by the required Entry Fee and supplementary documentation, as applicable.
- 5.6. All boats shall comply with Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 1 Category 3. A current AS SR Equipment Compliance Form for Category 3 events is required at time of online Entry.
- 5.7. Crew Particulars, including Australian Sailing Numbers, are required at time of online Entry.

6. RACING AREA

The racing area will be in the offshore waters between the Gold Coast Seaway and Julian Rocks, adjacent to Byron Bay

7. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The following is the schedule of events (Australian Eastern Standard Time – Qld):

| DATE - 2021 | EVENT | TIME |
|---------------------------------|--|---------|
| Sunday 14 th March | - Sailing Instructions published | 1700hrs |
| Tuesday 16 th March | - Entries Close | 2359hrs |
| Thursday 18 th March | - PHS Handicaps published | 1700hrs |
| Thursday 18 th March | - Registration & Compulsory Skippers Briefing @ SYC Main Beach | 1900hrs |
| Saturday 20 th March | - Warning Signal Not Before | 0855hrs |
| Thursday 25 th March | - Presentation of Prizes @ SYC Main Beach | 1900hrs |

8. VENUE

The Julian Rocks Yacht Race will be conducted from Southport Yacht Club (SYC) located at Macarthur Parade, Main Beach, Qld 4217. Phone: (+61) 7 5591 3500, Fax: (+61) 7 5532 7507.

9. THE COURSE

The course will be a passage course from the Gold Coast Sand pumping jetty to Julian Rocks and returning to the Gold Coast Sand pumping jetty.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1. Alternative Penalties - The two-turn penalty (RRS 44.1) is changed to a one-turn penalty.
- 10.2. Event Nominated Penalties – Breaches of Sailing Instruction Safety requirements and Covid registrations, NOR 1.12, 1.13, shall be a 20% scoring penalty. This will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). The scoring abbreviation for a Event Nominated Penalty imposed under this instruction will be (ENP).

11. HANDICAPPING

11.1. PHS results will be calculated based on a Performance Handicap System (PHS) Time Correction Factor (TCF). The TCF that is determined and allocated by the Race Committee, will be performance-based and will be expressed as three (3) decimal places applied as a multiplier to elapsed times. The TCF will not be subject to protest, redress or dispute (amends RRS 60.1 and 62.1(a))

11.2. A list of TCF ratings will be published on the website not before 1700hrs on Thursday 18th March 2021.

12. BERTHING ARRANGEMENTS

As space in the marina is limited free berthing (tie up / rafting up) will be available at the SYC Marina for entered competing yachts from 1000 hours on Friday 19th March to 1000 hours on Monday 22nd March 2021. Berthing allocation must be arranged well in advance through the Marina Office. Phone (07) 5591 3500.

13. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By entering and participating in this event, a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her and their vessel, during the period of and after the competition of said event in which the competitor participated, and in all material, related to the said event without compensation.

14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

All persons taking part in this regatta, whether as an entrant or otherwise, do so at their own risk and responsibility. The Organising Authority are not responsible for the seaworthiness of a yacht whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment. The Organising Authority reserved the right to refuse or withdraw an entry at any time. Attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 3 which states: "*The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.*". The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during or after this Regatta.

15. INSURANCE

15.1. Each participating yacht shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance, with a minimum cover of \$10M (AUD) for any one incident. By taking part in a race all yacht owners are deemed to have made a declaration that they have such cover.

15.2. The policy must state that the boat is insured for the race (or racing) in which it is participating in and that it is covered for a length greater than the length (a minimum of 90 nautical miles for ocean racing) of the race in which it is participating.

16. PRIZES

16.1. Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, & 3rd on corrected time.

16.2. A Navigators Prize will be awarded to the yacht which has the closest actual finishing time to their estimated time of finishing, when stated via SMS to Race Control on **0424 101 732** immediately prior to or as the yacht rounds Julian Rocks.

16.3. A Line Honours Prize will be awarded to the fastest yacht. The Perpetual Trophy for Julian Rocks Line Honours will be presented at the Annual Presentation Night at the end of the sailing season held at Southport Yacht Club Main Beach Clubhouse.

16.4. The overall first place winner on handicap will be presented with the Southport Yacht Club Julian Rocks Perpetual Trophy at the Annual Presentation night at the end of the sailing season held at the Southport Yacht Club Main Beach Clubhouse.

16.5. Other Prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Race Committee.

17. CONDITIONS OF ENTRY & RESPONSIBILITIES

- 17.1. By submitting an entry, the Owner and or Person in Charge agrees to be bound by all the rules and conditions of the race and acknowledges and accepts:
- 17.2. That for the Julian Rocks Yacht Race the Organising Authority and or Race Committee reserve the right to alter or vary any part of the race, including its course should conditions prevent the safe conduct of a race.
- 17.3. They and their crew are familiar with and understand the Racing Rules of Sailing, and the boat complies (where applicable) with all the Australian Sailing Special Regulations.
- 17.4. They and the crew are familiar with and understand Rule 3 "Decision to Race," and Rule 1.02 "Owners Responsibility" of the Australian Sailing Special Regulations;
- 17.5. The Owner and or Person in Charge acknowledge that all their crew are satisfied as to the experience of the skipper and the adequacy of the boat, all safety equipment aboard the boat and insurance arrangements.
- 17.6. The entry of the boat is acknowledgment that the Owner and or Person in Charge and all crew are individually aware of and conversant with the risks involved in the sport of ocean racing and that the participation in this event is entirely at the risk of the Owner and or Person in Charge and crew;
- 17.7. The owner and or Person in Charge warrant the suitability of the boat for the race;
- 17.8. The safety of a boat and her entire management including insurance shall be the sole responsibility of the Owner and or Person in Charge who must ensure that the boat is fully found, thoroughly seaworthy, and managed by a crew of sufficient number and experience who are physically fit.
- 17.9. The Owner and or Person in Charge must be satisfied as to the soundness of the hull, spars, rigging, sails and all gear. They must ensure that all safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and that the crew know where it is kept and how it is to be used;
- 17.10. Neither the existence of these conditions, and their use by the race organisers, or the inspection of the boat pursuant to these conditions in any way limits the absolute responsibility of the Owner and or Person in Charge and crew;
- 17.11. Neither the Southport Yacht Club nor its officers, employees nor agents shall be responsible or liable for any loss, damage, death or personal injury however caused to the owner/charterer, his or her skipper or crew or their property as a result of their taking part in the Julian Rocks Yacht Race and their related activities, including pre-start and post- finish operations and related shore activities;
- 17.12. Neither the Southport Yacht Club nor its officers, employees or agents will be liable for any costs or expenses that may be incurred as a result of special assistance at sea being arranged for any reason whatsoever.
- 17.13. The policy must state that the boat is insured for the race (or racing) in which it is participating in and that it is covered for a length greater than the length (a minimum of 90 nautical miles for ocean racing) of the race in which it is participating

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

Additional information regarding this event can be gained by contacting:

Southport Yacht Club Sailing Squadron,
1 Marina Crescent, Hollywell, QLD, 4216.

Phone: 07 5537 7030

Email: sailing.reception@sycqc.com.au

ILLUSTRATION A - THE COURSE

