

2021 BRIDGE TO NO BRIDGE



Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th November 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 Bridge to No Bridge Race to be sailed on the Gold Coast Broadwater on Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th November 2021.

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority will be Southport Yacht Club Inc. (SYC) located at the Hollywell Sailing Squadron located at 1 Marina Crescent, Hollywell, Qld 4216, Phone (+61) (07) 5537 7030.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The races will be governed by the current rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. The Special Regulations of Australian Sailing: Part 1 shall apply for trailable and fixed keel yachts.
- 1.3. The Special Regulations of Australian Sailing: Part 2 shall apply for Off the Beach Catamarans
- 1.4. The relevant Class Rules (as applicable).
- 1.5. The *International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea 1972* (COLREGS) shall apply at all times. The *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) will apply only between those ships that are participating in the event, for the duration of the event. Should interaction occur with non-participating ships, then COLREGS shall apply to all ships and shall over-ride all other rules. This is a condition imposed by Gold Coast Waterways Authority within our Aquatic Event Authority.
- 1.6. 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. Skipper and Crew details will be required to complete the entry. **No late entries will be accepted.** Cross referencing of all registered Persons on Board (POB's) will be completed between Administration and Race Control with penalties being contained within the Sailing Instructions for non-compliance in affect.
- 1.7. RRS Appendix T – Arbitration applies.
- 1.8. 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.

2. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 2.1. Bridge to No Bridge Race is open to:
 - 2.1.1. **Performance Handicap System (PHS)** Rated Racing & Cruising monohull and multihull boats that comply with Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 1 Category 7. Etchells & Skud18's must comply with Class Rules.
 - 2.1.2. **Off the Beach Catamarans** that comply with Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 for Off-The-Beach Boats.
- 2.2. The person-in-charge of a boat shall be a current financial member of a Club affiliated with Australian Sailing, and an affiliated member of Australian Sailing, and the boat shall be listed on the register of vessels of a Club affiliated with Australian Sailing.
- 2.3. A boat shall not change specifications after the close of entries. Any change to the hull, spars, sails, foils, appendages, ballast, equipment, or any other factor which may affect the performance of the boat may be made only with the express written consent of the Race Committee. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 2.4. Eligible boats may only enter one (1) Division:
 - 2.4.1. Division 1: PHS Monohull and Multihull boats, Trailable Monohulls, Etchells & Skud18s.
 - 2.4.2. Division 2: Off the Beach Catamarans.
- 2.5. The Organising Division may make more divisions or combine divisions based on entry numbers.
- 2.6. Eligible boats shall enter via SYC Website:
<http://www.southportyachtclub.com.au/sailing/special-sailing-events-2/> accompanied by the required Entry Fee.
- 2.7. The Club reserves the right to refuse entry in accordance with Rule 76.

3. FEES

- 3.1. The required entry fee paid on and before the 2nd October will be \$40.00 for all divisions.
- 3.2. Block SYC Special Event entrants are automatically entered into the race.

4. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	TIME
29 th October 2021	Early Bird Entries close	Midnight
3 rd November 2021	Entries Close	Midnight
Saturday 6 th November 2021	Compulsory Briefing at Hollywell	0930 hrs
	Warning Signal Race 1	Not before 1055
	BYO BBQ and Presentation at Dux	From 1600hrs
Sunday 7 th November 2021	Compulsory Briefing at Dux	0930hrs
	Warning Signal Race 2	Not before 1055
	Presentation at Hollywell	ASAP after racing

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available after 1700hrs on Saturday 30th October 2021 at SYC Hollywell Sailing Squadron and the SYC Website online.

6. VENUE

The host venue is the Southport Yacht Club Inc. Hollywell Sailing Squadron located at 1 Marina Crescent HOLLYWELL QLD 4216. The racing area shall be the Broadwater between the Gold Coast Seaway and Jumping Pin Bar.

7. THE COURSES

The courses shall be passage type courses as described in the Sailing Instructions.

8. HANDICAPPING

- 8.1. Handicaps and results will be based on Australian Sailing Yardsticks, CBH or PHS.
- 8.2. Where PHS is used, boats can nominate whether they use a spinnaker or not. The handicap will be adjusted accordingly by 3%.

9. ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES

For all divisions rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

10. SCORING

Scoring will consist of elapsed times for Race 1 & 2 combined and then multiplied by the Competitors handicap to obtain the overall corrected time for each Competitor.

11. PRIZES

- 11.1. Prizes will be awarded to Line Honours, First, Second and Third Place per Division for each race and the combined Series Scores.
- 11.2. The Bridge to No Bridge Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the 1st place winner of Division 1 combined Series Scores and will be presented Hollywell asap after the final race.
- 11.3. Other Prizes may be given at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

12. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participation in this event, a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority and the sponsors of the event, 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 during the period of the competition for said event in which the competitor participated and in all material related to the said event without compensation.

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

13.1 All those taking part in races conducted by Southport Yacht Club do so at their own risk and responsibility.

13.2 The Southport Yacht Club, any sponsor and any party involved in the organisation of any event disclaims any and every responsibility for any loss, damage, injury to persons and/or things, both ashore and at sea, as a consequence of participation in any way in the races covered by these sailing instructions.

13.3 Attention is drawn to RRS 4 which states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

14. INSURANCE

Each participating boat 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 boat owners are deemed to have made a declaration that they have such cover.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

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