

COOK ISLAND YACHT RACE



Sunday 10th December 2023

NOTICE OF RACE

Organising Authority

Southport Yacht Club Inc.

Hollywell Sailing Squadron
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1. INVITATION

- 1.1 Southport Yacht Club extends a warm invitation to owners, skippers and crews of all eligible boats to enter and compete in the 2023 Cook Island Yacht Race, proudly sponsored by LION XXXX, to be sailed on the waters off the Gold Coast on Sunday 10th December 2023.

2. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

- 2.1 The Organising Authority shall be Southport Yacht Club Inc. (SYC) located at 1 Macarthur Parade, Main Beach Q 4217. Phone 07 5537 7030. Fax 07 5537 7131.

3. RULES

- 3.1 The Race will be governed by the current rules, as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2020-2024.
- 3.2 The Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) shall apply.
- 3.3 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.
- 3.4 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"
- 3.5 RRS Appendix WP – Rules for Racing around Waypoints applies
- 3.6 RRS 52: RRS 52 does not apply.
- 3.7 RRS Appendix T – Arbitration applies.
- 3.8 The International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea (COLREGS) 1972 shall apply at all times. The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) will only apply between those boats that are participating in the event, for the duration of the event. Should interaction occur with non-participating boats, then the COLREGS shall apply to all boats and shall over-ride all other rules.

4. ADVERTISING

- 4.1 The Organising Authority may reject the entry of a boat, which in it's opinion is carrying advertising conflicting with that of the Regatta sponsors. In any case of doubt, the Organising Authority should be consulted as soon as practicable.

5. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 5.1 All competitors must be a current member of Australian Sailing and have the appropriate documentation available for inspection at Registration.
- 5.2 The Race is open to Monohull and Multihull yachts which:
Comply with the requirements of Australian Sailing Special Regulations: Part 1 for Racing Boats - Category 4;
Are entered by a Person-In-Charge who is a member of a Yacht Club affiliated with their State or National Authority, in accordance with Australian Sailing prescription to Rule 46.
- 5.3 Eligible yachts shall enter on the SYC Website <https://southportyachtclub.com.au/sailing-calendar-all-divisions/> accompanied by the required fee.

6. FEES

- 6.1 Fees are required to be paid, by the following dates, as per the Schedule of Events:
The Early Bird Entry, paid by Friday 1st December 2023 is \$50.00.
All Entries, paid from Saturday 2nd December 2023 to Wednesday 6th December 2023 is \$70.00.

6.2 Eligible yachts shall enter via the Southport Yacht Club website located at <https://southportyachtclub.com.au/sailing-calendar-all-divisions/> accompanied by the required Entry Fee.

7. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	TIME
Friday 1 st December	Early Bird Entries Close	Midnight
Wednesday 6 th December	All Entries Close	Midnight
Sunday 10 th December	Skippers Briefing at SYC Main Beach	0800 hours
	Warning Signal	0955 hours (not before)
	Presentation at SYC Main Beach (or as soon as possible after racing)	1700 hours

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

8.1 Sailing Instructions will be available from the Sailing Office and online on the SYC website after 1700 hours Sunday 3rd December 2023.

9. COMPULSORY SKIPPER'S BRIEFING

9.2 A Compulsory Skipper's Briefing will be held at Southport Yacht Club, Main Beach at 0800 hours on Sunday 10th December 2023.

10. VENUE

10.1 The 2023 Cook Island Classic Yacht Race will be conducted from Southport Yacht Club, Main Beach. The racing area may be between the waters offshore from the Gold Coast Seaway and Cook Island Aquatic Reserve, approximately 600m offshore from Fingal Head, northern NSW.

11. THE COURSE

11.1 The Course will be a coastal passage race from the Start Line near the Gold Coast Seaway Sand Pumping Jetty heading South, rounding Cook Island to Port and return to the Finish Line at the Gold Coast Sand Pumping Jetty.

12. SCORING

12.1 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A shall apply.

13. BERTHING

13.1 All yachts competing are encouraged to berth at SYC Main Beach for the duration of the 2023 Cook Island Yacht Race. BERTHING SPACE IS LIMITED, and we ask that you please arrange berthing allocations well in advance with the Marina Office: Ph 07 5591 3500.

14. PRIZES

14.1 Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd & 3rd on corrected time and to the Fastest Elapsed Time for IRC, PHS and ORC scoring.

14.2 A prize will be awarded for Line Honours

14.3 Other Prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

- 14.4 The Overall ORC First Place Winner will be presented with the Southport Yacht Club Cook Island Yacht Race Perpetual Trophy
- 14.5 All prizes will be presented at Southport Yacht Club at 1700hrs on Sunday 10th December 2023.

15. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

- 15.1 By participation in the 2023 Cook Island Yacht Race, a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority and the sponsors of the event, the right the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion or still pictures and/or videos, live, taped or filmed televisions and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the Regatta or said event in which the competitor participated and all material related to the said event, without compensation.

16. INSURANCE

- 16.1 All boats shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance, with a minimum cover of AUD\$10M 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.

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 17.1 Competitors participate in the 2023 Cook Island Yacht Race event entirely at their own risk. See Rule 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the race.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information can be gained by contacting:

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