



SOUTHPORT YACHT CLUB

TWO HANDED RACE



2026

NOTICE OF RACE



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ORGANISING AUTHORITY

Southport Yacht Club Inc
Hollywell Sailing Squadron

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1. INVITATION

Southport Yacht Club invites entries from eligible boats to enter and participate in the GC Sails Two Handed Yacht Race to be sailed in the Broadwater on Saturday 7th March 2026.

2. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority shall be Southport Yacht Club Inc. (SYC) located at 1 Marina Crescent, Hollywell, QLD, 4216. Phone (07) 5537 7030.

3. RULES

- 3.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). These may be modified by this Notice of Race and/or the Sailing Instructions. If a conflict is encountered, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.
- 3.2 The Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 1 shall apply. Boats shall comply with Category 7.
- 3.3 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.
- 3.4 A compulsory Skippers' Briefing will be held at Southport Yacht Club, Hollywell on Saturday 7th March at 1000hrs
- 3.5 RRS Appendix T – Arbitration applies.
- 3.6 The notation '[NP]' means a rule that shall not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). This does not prevent the Race Committee or Protest Committee from calling a hearing under RRS 60.2 or 60.3.

4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available from Main Beach Reception, Hollywell Sailing Office or the Southport Yacht Club Website from Wednesday 25th February 2026.

5. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS & REGATTA SITE

All race documents will be uploaded to Southport Yacht Club website – Two Handed Race event page: <https://southportyachtclub.com.au/events/gc-sails-two-handed-race-2026/>

6. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 6.1 The Two Handed Yacht Race is open to boats that meet the following entry requirements:
 - (a) Where class rules specify a minimum of 3 crew
 - (b) Boats other than Hansa class Skud 18's, that can be sailed two handed under racing conditions are not eligible to enter. This race is to challenge boats that require more crew to sail short-handed. This Race must be sailed two handed (one skipper, one crew aboard each boat).
- 6.2 Skud 18's are permitted to enter and race, provided they conform to Skud 18 Class Rule J.3. Open Two Person Centreline - SKUD 18.2. Two crew both in centreline seats and Skud18 Class Rule Part II – Requirements and Limitations C.2.1 (d) Where centreline seats are specified or fitted, crew shall remain in contact with their seat's sitting surface at all times while racing.
- 6.3 Competitors may enter one of the following Divisions:

Division 1: Monohull

Division 2: Multihull
- 6.4 All competitors shall be a current financial member of a Club affiliated with Australian Sailing
- 6.5 The Club reserves the right to refuse entry in accordance with Rule 76.
- 6.6 Eligible boats shall enter via the Southport Yacht Club website, accompanied by the required Entry Fee

7. FEES

7.1 The required entry fee will be \$40 if paid before 2nd March; \$80 if paid on or after 2nd March.

7.2 **Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority.**

8. RACING AREA

The racing area will be the Gold Coast Broadwater, between Wave Break Island and the northern end of the "Measured Mile."

9. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Wednesday 25 th February 2026	1700hrs	Sailing Instructions published
Friday 6 th March 2026	0900hrs	Handicaps Published
Saturday 7 th March 2026	1000hrs	Compulsory Skippers Briefing at Hollywell
	1055hrs	Warning Signal (not before)

10. VENUE

The Two Handed Yacht Race will be conducted from the Southport Yacht Club, 1 Marina Crescent, Hollywell, QLD, 4216.

11. COURSES

Course shall be a passage course as described in the Sailing Instructions.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

12.1 Alternative Penalties - The Two-Turns Penalty under RRS 44.2 is changed to a One-Turn Penalty.

12.2 [NP] Event Nominated Penalties – Breaches of Sailing Instruction Safety requirements shall be a 20% scoring penalty. This will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a), 60.2 and 60.3. The scoring abbreviation for an Event Nominated Penalty imposed under this instruction will be (ENP).

13. HANDICAPS

[NP] 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. This changes RRS 60.1(a) and 62.1(a). A list of TCF ratings will be published on the website not before 0900hrs on Wednesday 25th February 2026.

14. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participation in an 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.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in Southport Yacht Club events entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3 (Decision to Race). Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. The Organising 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 event.

16. 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.

17. PRIZES

- 17.1 Prizes will be awarded to first, second and third place in each Division
- 17.2 The Overall Winner in each division will be awarded the GC Sails Two Handed Cup Perpetual Trophy on the day.
- 17.3 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

Additional information regarding this event can be gained by contacting:

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

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