



Phillip Island Yacht Clubs NOTICE OF RACE

TRIANGULAR SERIES 2018

THE DON MANNING TROPHY

1. RACE DATES and TIME

RACE 1 – Saturday 20th January 2018
RACE 2 – Saturday 24th February 2018
RACE 3 – Saturday 3rd March 2018
Re- sail (if required) – Saturday 24th March 2018

Warning signal will be 1055 Hrs.

Note: Racing for the day will be abandoned if a Gale Force or higher warning as issued by the Bureau of Meteorology is still current on the morning the race is scheduled.

2. RULES

This race will be governed by the current Australian Sailing (AS) Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and Safety Regulations of the AS. (except as any of these are altered by these sailing instructions).

The Organising Authority is Cowes Yacht Club Inc, Newhaven Yacht Squadron Inc. and Rhyll Yacht Club Inc. The Race Committee shall be appointed by the organising authority of these Phillip Island Yacht Clubs.

3. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

Notice to Competitors shall be announced one hour before racing on the radio communications channel VHF 73.

4. ELIGIBILITY and ENTRY

All entries must meet the safety equipment standards as set out in the current AS RRS Addendum 'A' Special Regulations Part 1, Category 6 with the following inclusions:

- 3.07.4 Removable hatches to have locks and lanyards
- 3.24.3 Engine, permanently installed or outboard
- 3.24.4 Outboard motors for trailable boats, to be mounted at all times
- 3.24.5(a) Engine to provide minimum speed into 12 knot headwind
- 3.24.5(c) Sufficient fuel for 1 hour of motoring at minimum speed(3.24.5(a)).
- 3.25 Marine VHF transceiver installed as specified (27Mhz or HF only are NOT permitted)
- 4.21.1 Lifebuoy or other approved device with drogue (no light for daylight race)
- 4.23.1 Heaving line accessible to cockpit

5 ENTRY ONLINE AND LATE ENTRY FORMS

Entry is online. The online booking address is:

<https://www.trybooking.com/TLSJ>

Please Note: Cutoff time for online entry is 0800hrs on the morning of each race. Only one race entry is required for one race or for all races in the series.

The 'one time' entry fee for the series will be \$25.00 plus 30cent booking fee for one race or for all races.

NOTE: Late entry form lodgment at your local club house opens three hours and then closes two hours before each race start. The late entry fee is an additional \$10 for a total \$35 fee.

6 COURSES

Courses will start North off the Rhyll inlet for all races. In general:

Race one will be in the waters of Western Port finishing off Cowes Yacht Club.

Race two will be in the waters of Western Port finishing off Newhaven Yacht Squadron.

Race three will be in the waters of Western Port finishing off Rhyll Yacht Club.

Courses to be sailed will be defined for each race in the sailing instructions. The average length of a race will be approximately 18nm.

7 SCORES

To include as many boats as possible, each Club team will be governed by the smallest club team for each race minus one boat: e.g. if the smallest club team has seven starters, each team score will be based on 6 best performances. Minimum team number to count shall be all 3 of 3 boats.

The "low points scoring system" shall apply. Handicaps will be based on Yachting Victoria CBH yardstick and where available will be used. In the case where a published YV CBH is not available the Boating Officer of the home club of the yacht shall submit a handicap to the Race Committee for consideration. The Race Committee may at its sole discretion assign this handicap or at its sole discretion a different handicap.

8 INDEMNITY

All those taking part in this series of individual races, do so at their own risk. The Yacht Clubs of Phillip Island are not responsible for the seaworthiness of a yacht whose entry is accepted or for the adequacy of its equipment. Attention is drawn to the YA RRS Fundamental Rules. The Yacht Clubs of Phillip Island, its members or those crewing rescue or committee craft assisting in the conduct of the race, will not be held responsible for damage or injury caused in any circumstances or in any manner whatsoever.

These sailing instructions in no way limit or reduce the complete and inescapable responsibility for the sole and entire management of the yacht he or she is sailing. Attention is drawn to RRS 4 "Decision to Race", which state: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

9 RESULTS

Triangular Series race results will be posted on the Cowes Yacht Club website (www.cowesyachtclub.com).

11. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the organising committee. It is recommended that Individual prizes for first, second and third for each race plus overall series individual first, second and third are awarded at the AGM YW. The Don Manning perpetual trophy for the best club team will also be presented at the Annual General Meeting of Yachting Western Port.

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. Cowes Yacht Club Inc and Rhyll Yacht Club Inc and Newhaven Yacht Squadron Inc. being the Phillip Island Yacht Clubs Organising Authority, their employees and volunteers will not accept liability for any material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the Triangular Series.

13. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with current valid third-party liability insurance of not less than \$10,000,000 per incident or the equivalent. Each competitor shall confirm the level of insurance cover for the boat being entered when submitting the Entry/Declaration Form.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

A listening watch shall be maintained on VHF Ch 73 by all yachts racing as detailed in the sailing instructions. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction applies to mobile phones and other smart communication.