



2019/20 Squadron Sundays Series
Sunday 27 October 2019 – Sunday 20 September 2020
Hosted by Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron
NOTICE OF RACE

Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron invites entries from keelboats currently on the register of an Australian Sailing (AS) affiliated yacht club to the Squadron Sundays Series.

1. Organising Authority

- 1.1. The Organising Authority for the 2019/20 Squadron Sundays Series is Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron.

2. Rules

- 2.1. All races shall be governed by:

- 2.1.1. The rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and Australian Sailing (AS) prescriptions,
- 2.1.2. The special regulations of AS Part 1 for racing boats,
- 2.1.3. The Sailing Instructions of Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron (RMYS) and the Sailing Instructions of host clubs conducting events on behalf of RMYS,
- 2.1.4. The Yachting Victoria Handicap System (PHS) where applicable,
- 2.1.5. The requirements of the Port of Melbourne (POMC) Regulations, and any published amendments.

- 2.2. Crew declarations must be completed before each race. Crew declarations may be completed
- electronically via the link

https://www.topyacht.com.au/db/kb/login_crew_list.php?evid=1166 OR

- manually on the forms provided by the official noticeboard in the Olympic Bar.

Failure to do so may result in the Race Committee scoring the boat DSQ without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1.

3. Advertising

- 3.1. The Summer Squadron Sunday Season races are classified Category C in accordance with RRS 80. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

4. Eligibility and Entry

4.1. The races are open to all yachts that:

- 4.1.1. Have lodged an Australian Sailing 2017-2021 Special Regulations Equipment Audit Form and affixed a 2019/20 safety category sticker to the transom (if supplied); and
- 4.1.2. Have shown proof of appropriate third party and personal insurance cover, with a minimum of AUD \$10,000,000 public liability; and
- 4.1.3. Can ensure that while the yacht is racing, equipment necessary to comply with the relevant safety prescriptions is carried and the appropriate level of insurance cover is maintained.

4.2. Eligible yachts must enter by completing the online entry form on the RMYS website (<https://www.rmys.com.au/sailing/racing/online-entry/>) Telephone entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee or Sailing Committee.

4.2.1. Casual race entry must be completed by using the online entry system on the RMYS website (<https://www.rmys.com.au/sailing/racing/online-entry/>). Telephone entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee or Sailing Committee.

4.2.2. Casual Entrants will not be included in the series scores.

4.3. Series entry will close at midnight on Thursday 24 October 2019.

4.3.1. Casual Entry will close at midnight on the Thursday prior to the race.

4.4. Yachts must complete a crew declaration in accordance with RMYS Sailing Instructions 4.9 and 4.10 and paragraph 2.2 above.

4.4.1. A yacht on the RMYS register with an owner/part owner or crew member with an account in arrears or without a temporary member day pass may be disqualified without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1.(RMYS Sailing Instructions 5.4)

5. Fees

5.1. Yachts on the register of RMYS will not incur an entry fee.

5.2. Yachts on the register of another Australian Sailing affiliated club shall be charged \$30 per race.

5.3. A late entry fee of \$30 may be charged at the discretion of the Race Committee.

6. Schedule

6.1. 2019/20 Squadron Sunday Summer Series

Date	Briefing	Warning Signal	Type
Sunday 27 October 2019	0945	1055	Pursuit
Sunday 24 November 2019	0945	1055	Pursuit
Sunday 22 March 2020	0945	1055	Pursuit
Sunday 26 April 2020	0945	1055	Pursuit

6.2. 2020 Squadron Sunday Winter Series

Date	Briefing	Warning Signal	Type
Sunday 31 May 2020	0945	1055	Pursuit
Sunday 28 June 2020	0945	1055	Pursuit
Sunday 26 July 2020	0945	1055	Pursuit
Sunday 30 August 2020	0945	1055	Pursuit
Sunday 20 September 2020	0945	1055	Pursuit

7. Sailing Instructions

7.1. RMYS Sailing Instructions V6.0 and amendments are available from the RMYS Office or the RMYS website.

8. Venue

8.1. The races will be conducted on the waters of Port Phillip.

9. Courses

9.1. The courses to be sailed and their locations are detailed in the RMYS Sailing Instructions.

10. Radio Communication

- 10.1. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 10.2. Competitors shall monitor their VHF radio on the advised race channel and also emergency channel 16.
- 10.3. The Race Committee shall operate on VHF Ch. 72.

11. Prizes

- 11.1. Prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 11.2. The Napier Cup will be awarded to the first boat skippered by a Junior member in the race on 22 March 2020.

12. Scoring

- 12.1. Series scoring
 - 12.1.1. For a series that is held over a period of time longer than a regatta, a boat that came to the starting area but did not *start*, did not *finish*, retired after *finishing*, or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that came to the starting area. A boat that did not come to the starting area shall be scored points for the finishing place once more than the number of boats entered in the series.

13. Disclaimer of Liability

- 13.1. Competitors participate entirely at the own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race: "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 or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the races.

14. Insurance

- 14.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD 10 million per incident or the equivalent.

Further Information

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