



NOTICE OF RACE

FOR THE

2008 MILSON MEMORIAL CUP

INCORPORATING

Race 9 RSYS SOPS

Race 6 CYCA SO

9th February 2008

CONDUCTED BY THE ORGANISING AUTHORITY

ROYAL SYDNEY YACHT SQUADRON

33 PEEL STREET KIRRIBILLI NSW 2061

The organizing authority is Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron (RSYS).

1 RULES

All racing is governed by:

- the Racing Rules of Sailing for 2005-2008 (RRS) of the International Sailing Federation (ISAF) as amended
- the IRC Rules, as may be applicable and/or as amended
- this Notice of Race
- the Sailing Instructions as may be amended from time to time.

In the event of conflict between rules and regulations, other than RRS, the Sailing Instructions will prevail.

2 ADVERTISING

All races governed by the Notice of Race are classified Category C in accordance with RRS 79.

3 ELIGIBILITY

3.1 The Regatta is open to all mono - hull yachts.

3.2 All Competitors helming or crewing a boat while racing shall conform with RRS 46 and 55.

3.3 The helmsman nominated on the entry form shall be deemed to be in charge of the boat and no change of helmsman shall occur without the prior written consent of the Race Committee.

3.4 **Milson Memorial Cup:** Any boat that complies with the above clauses is eligible to enter.

3.5 **IRC Result:** Boats must lodge a current IRC Certificate with the attached entry form.

4 SAFETY EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS

4.1 YA Special Regulations Equipment Compliance Form, Category 4 or higher applies.

4.2 All boats not block entered in the RSYS SOPS & CYCA SO series shall lodge a relevant safety form with the RSYS Sailing Office by 1700 hours Wednesday 6 February 2008.

5 ENTRY

5.1 All boats already block entered in the RSYS SOPS & CYCA SO series are eligible for entry and prizes. These boats are not required to submit an entry form or pay the entry fee.

5.2 All other boats are required to complete the attached entry form and pay the appropriate entry fee.

5.3 Entries on the attached form must be received at the RSYS Sailing Office by 1400 hours on Wednesday 06 February 2008.

6 ENTRY FEE

Regatta Entry Fee is \$50.00 (block entries in the RSYS SOPS & CYCA SO series are exempt from the entry fee).

7 DIVISIONS

7.1 Entries will be allocated to Divisions at the Race Committee's discretion and will be advised on the list of Entries. Such determination will not be grounds for protest or redress.

7.2 All boats will race under PHS handicap and may also nominate to race under IRC rating.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Will be available from the Sailing Office of the RSYS and will be posted on the RSYS website at www.rsys.com.au by Wednesday 06 February 2008.

9 REGATTA OFFICE

9.1 The Regatta Office will be the RSYS Sailing Office situated at 33 Peel Street Kirribilli
Telephone: 02 - 9017 0150 Fax: 02 - 9955 3404 Email: sailing@rsys.com.au

9.2 The Official Regatta Notice Board will be located at the RSYS under the Careening Cove stairs.

10 RACING AREA

The racing area will be on the waters of the Tasman Sea including the waters inside Port Jackson.

11 COURSES

Courses will be either windward/leeward or windward/leeward/triangle as described in the Sailing Instructions. Alternate harbour courses will also be detailed in the case of adverse conditions.

12 SCORING

12.1 The Low Point Scoring System as set out in Appendix A of the RRS shall apply subject to the following amendments:

12.1.1 Non Starting

A boat scored Did Not Start (DNS) shall be awarded points equal to the number of pointscore entries in that race plus one point.

12.1.2 Retirement

Boats which are scored Retire After Finish (RAF) or Did Not Finish (DNF) shall be awarded points equal to the number of pointscore finishers in the race plus one.

12.1.3 Disqualification

Boats which are Disqualified (DSQ) shall be awarded points equal to the number of pointscore entries in the race plus two points.

12.1.4 Abandonment

When a race is abandoned after the start, boats which started shall be awarded zero points.
When a race is abandoned before the start, all boats entered shall be awarded zero points.

13 TURNS PENALTY

The RRS 44.2 Turns Penalty will apply.

14 RADIO CONTACT

14.1 Boats shall maintain a continuous listening watch on VHF Channel 16 for the duration of the race.

14.2 The Race Committee will monitor for the duration of the race, frequency VHF Channel 72.

15 RESPONSIBILITIES

15.1 **Risk Warning** - The Organising Authority advises owners, skippers and anyone who participates in yachting events conducted by the Organising Authority that participation in the sport of yachting, whether racing or otherwise, can be dangerous and can result in harm, personal injury and property damage. The Organising Authority is not responsible for any harm or injury suffered by any person in any yachting event conducted by the Organising Authority of whatever nature. All participants acknowledge that competing in yachting events may be dangerous and may result in harm or personal injury and participate in such events aware of such dangers and voluntarily accept any risk of harm.

15.2 **Competitors Declaration** - It is the responsibility of owners and skippers to ensure that each boat nominated on the entry form complies with the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2005-2008 (RRS).

All competitors who sign the entry form in doing so have made a declaration to the Organising Authority that the nominated boat will at all times while racing comply with the requirements of Yachting Australia and the Sailing Instructions, including:

- (a) RRS 46 and the responsibility of the person in charge of the boat to ensure that the crew complies with RRS 55;
- (b) the Yachting Australia Special Regulations;
- (c) adequate current Third Party Property Liability Insurance and Third Party Personal Liability cover of not less than \$10,000,000 (ten million dollars) for any one incident. All insurance shall be maintained during the period of racing.
- (d) the person who signs and lodges the entry form with the Organising Authority warranting to the Organising Authority that he or she will draw the attention of any person who competes on the yacht the subject of the entry form in any event conducted by the Organising Authority of the risk warning above;
- (e) the person who signs and lodges this entry form with the Organising Authority acknowledging receipt of the risk warning above and releasing the Organising Authority from any claim or liability whatsoever for any harm or personal injury suffered by him, or by any person claiming through him, in any event conducted by the Organising Authority;

15.3 **Responsibilities**

- (a) All those taking part in these races do so at their own risk and responsibility. Specific 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". The RSYS, sponsors, the relevant Class Association, the Race Committee and other race officials are not responsible for any damage or injury either afloat or ashore.
- (b) The RSYS, sponsors, the relevant Class Association, the Race Committee and other race officials are not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.
- (c) All those taking part in these races are reminded of their obligations as set out in the Yachting Australia Special Regulations clause 1.02 Owner's Responsibility.

16 **COMMERCIAL SHIPPING**

- 16.1 Waterways Authority Regulations specify that boats shall not interfere with the commercial shipping of the Port. "Priority over Sail – some Commercial Ferries on Sydney Harbour display an orange diamond shape which grants priority of way over sailing vessels. Do not attempt to cross the path of an approaching ferry displaying this signal".
- 16.2 Boats found to have interfered with commercial shipping may be subject to action by the Race Committee in accordance with RRS 60.2.
- 16.3 Attention is drawn to the requirements of NSW Maritime as published in Appendices 5, 7 and 8 of the 2007-2008 RSYS Handbook.
- 16.4 Yachts shall not interfere with the Commercial or Defence shipping of the Port. The attention of skippers is drawn to NSW Maritime Authority Special Regulations regarding the right of way of vessels entering or leaving port, ferries displaying orange diamonds and vessels engaged in towing.
- 16.5 All yachts must abide by traffic directions of NSW Boating Service Officers. Any yacht directed to stop or alter course by NSW Maritime Boating Service Officers as a result of an anticipated breach of the above rules, incident/collision or complaint shall do so immediately.
- 16.6 Any yachts reported by NSW Maritime as having contravened NSW Maritime Regulations shall be disqualified. (amends RRS 63.1).

17 **PRIZES**

- 17.1 **Milson Memorial Cup** - The Milson Memorial Cup shall be inscribed with the winner's name from the overall combined result on Performance Handicap of eligible boats.
- 17.2 Prizes shall be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd from overall combined results on Performance Handicap.
- 17.3 **IRC** - A prize shall be awarded for 1st in the overall results on IRC handicap for eligible IRC rated boats.
- 17.4 All trophies and prizes shall be presented at the RSYS Annual Prizegiving to be held on Tuesday 27 May 2008.

18 **RUBBISH**

- Boats shall not put rubbish in the water.



MILSON MEMORIAL CUP

Saturday 9 February 2008

RACE ENTRY FORM

Boat Name: _____ Sail Number: _____

Owner(s) Name: _____

Helmsman: _____ Club: _____

Address: _____ Phone: (H) _____

_____ (W) _____

_____ (F) _____

Email: _____

Colour Of Deck: _____ Colour Of Hull: _____

Please Enter my boat as indicated:-

Milson Memorial Cup (PHS)

I also wish to be included in the following:

IRC Race Result

The following documents are attached:

- ◆ Copy of current valid YA Special Regulations Equipment Compliance Form, minimum Category 4 (If not previously lodged with RSYS or CYCA)
- ◆ Copy of valid IRC Rating Certificate (if entered IRC)

Entry Fee: \$50.00 (inc GST) *All boats block entered in the RSYS SOPS or CYCA SO series are exempt*

RSYS House account: _____

Cheque enclosed (payable to the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron)

VISA MC : _____ exp: _____

Name on Card: _____

I agree to be bound by the current ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing 2005-2008 (RRS) and by the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions for the races concerned. I have read and understand my obligations as set out in the YA Special Regulations 1.02 Owners Responsibility. I certify that the vessel entered will maintain, during period of racing, an insurance policy with a minimum of TEN million dollars (\$10,000,000) public liability cover and compliance with all current NSW Waterways requirements.

By signing this entry form I declare that I have read and understand clause 15.1 Risk Warning, clause 15.2 Competitors Declaration and clause 15.3 Responsibilities as detailed in the Notice of Race.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
(Owner or Representative)