



HARDY CUP

SYDNEY INTERNATIONAL MATCH RACING REGATTA

2nd – 6th FEBRUARY 2020

U/25 WS GRADE 3 MATCH RACING EVENT

NOTICE OF RACE



**Organising Authority
ROYAL SYDNEY YACHT SQUADRON**

Hardy Cup Sydney International Match Racing Regatta (2-6 February 2020) - Notice of Race

1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) for the 'Hardy Cup' Sydney International Match Racing Regatta 2020, is the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron.

2 VENUE

The venue will be Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron, 33 Peel Street, Kirribilli, New South Wales, Australia 2061. Racing will be conducted on the waters of Port Jackson (Sydney Harbour), NSW.

3 EVENT GRADING

The event has applied for a World Sailing Grade three (3). This grading is subject to review by World Sailing. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.

4 PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

4.1 The following table sets out the provisional schedule of events.

Sunday 2nd February, 2020	
0900 – 1630hrs	Registration and Weigh-in
1000 – 1300hrs	Practice Session 1
1300 – 1600hrs	Practice Session 2
1800hrs	Welcome Night and Boat Draw
Monday 3rd February, 2020	
0800hrs	Breakfast (CCA)
0830hrs	Skippers Briefing & Umpires Briefing
1020hrs	First Scheduled Warning Signal
Tuesday 4th & Wednesday 5th February, 2020	
0800hrs	Breakfast (CCA)
0830hrs	Umpires Briefing
0920hrs	First Scheduled Warning Signal
Thursday 6th February, 2020	
0800hrs	Breakfast (CCA)
0830hrs	Umpires Briefing
0920hrs	First Scheduled Warning Signal
1600hrs	Last Warning Signal
45min after last race	Press Conference
1830hrs	Regatta Presentation (Dress Code: Smart Casual)

- (a) Race office open from Sunday 2nd February 2020 from 0900hrs.
- (b) Registration and Crew weighing in on Sunday 2nd February 2020 from 0900hrs to 1630hrs.
- (c) Practice Session 1 will be Sunday 2nd February 2020 from 1000hrs to 1300hrs. Practice Session 2 will be Sunday 2nd February 2020 from 1300hrs to 1600hrs
- (d) First briefing at 0830hrs on Monday 3rd February 2020.
- (e) First meeting with umpires at 0830hrs on Monday 3rd February 2020.
- (f) Opening Ceremony & Boat Draw on Sunday 2nd February 2020 at 1800hrs.
- (g) Racing days from Monday 3rd February to Thursday 6th February 2020.
- (h) Time of the first race will be 1020hrs.
- (i) The latest time for an attention signal on the last day of racing will be 1600hrs.



(j) Prize giving will be Thursday 6th February 2020 at 1830hrs.

4.2 Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is mandatory:

- (a) Initial briefing for skippers.
- (b) Daily briefing, for skippers.
- (d) Opening Ceremony & Boat Draw, for skippers and crews.
- (e) Prize giving for the final skippers and crews.

5 SKIPPERS ELIGIBILITY

5.1 Up to fourteen skippers will be invited. Only skippers invited by the OA will be eligible to enter this event. Competitors interested in competing should register via the online 'Expression of Interest' form (<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/rsys/events/52625/>). Expressions of Interest will close at 1700hrs on Friday 8th November 2019.

5.2 Team members shall not have reached their 25th birthday by midnight on 2nd February 2020.

5.3 The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.

5.4 All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of World Sailing regulation 19.2.

5.5 All competitors shall obtain a World Sailing Sailor ID by registering online at www.sailing.org/isafsailor. Skippers shall inform the OA of their World Sailing Sailor ID at registration.

6 ENTRIES

6.1 Entering

Eligible teams may enter by completing the Confirmation of Entry Form online. The entry will not be completed until payment of the entry fee has been received by the OA. A receipt will be sent once received.

6.2 Entry Fee

A non-refundable entry fee of AUD\$1,200 must be paid by Friday, 6th December 2019.

6.3 Withdrawal

When a skipper accepts an invitation and later withdraws within two months of the event or leaves the event before the end without written approval from the OA, a zero score may be applied to their Ranking points for that event by the WS. (WS Regulation 27.2)

6.4 Damage deposit

(a) An initial damage deposit of AUD\$1,000 shall be paid at registration, unless extended by the OA. An insurance excess of AUD\$1,000 applies to each and every incident so the total liability for damage during the event may exceed AUD\$1,000.

(b) In the event that a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.

(c) Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded as soon as possible after the conclusion of the event.

7 RULES

7.1 (a) The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS 2017-2020, including Appendix C.

(b) The rules for the handling of boats will apply, and will also apply to any practice sailing and sponsor races. Class rules will not apply.

(c) Any prescriptions of the national authority that will apply will be posted on the official notice board.



8 BOATS AND SAILS

- 8.1 The event will be sailed in Elliott 7s type boats.
- 8.2 A minimum of four (4) boats will be provided.
- 8.3 The following sails will be provided for each boat: Mainsail, Jib, Spinnaker.
- 8.4 Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily or for each round as decided by the race committee.

9 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- 9.1 The number of crew including the skipper shall be a maximum of 5. All registered crew shall sail all races.
- 9.2 The total number of crew including the skipper shall be a maximum of 5, excluding persons placed on board by the RC. All registered crew shall sail all races.
- 9.3 The total weight of the crew including the skipper, dressed in at least shorts and shirts, shall not exceed 350kg, determined at the time of registration or such time as required by the RC.
- 9.4 Crew weight may be checked during the regatta. At any re-weighing the total weight limit is increased by 10 kg. Any crew weighing in excess of this increased limit shall not be penalised, but they shall reduce their weight to the increased weight limit before racing again.
- 9.5 When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorise an original crew member to substitute.
- 9.6 When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

10 EVENT FORMAT

- 10.1 Skippers will be seeded into a round robin based on World Sailing ranking list 30 days prior to the event.
- 10.2 The event will consist of the following stages:
 - Stage 1 – Double Round Robin
 - Stage 2 – Quarter-final knockout
 - Stage 3 – Positions 5-13 (King of the Castle format)
 - Stage 4 – Semi-final knockout.
 - Stage 5 – Petit-final knockout.
 - Stage 6 – Final knockout.
- 10.3 The RC may change the format, terminate any stage or the event when, in its opinion, it is impractical to attempt to hold the remainder of matches under the existing conditions or in the remaining time scheduled. Early stages may be terminated in favour of later stages.

11 COURSE

- 11.1 The course will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings, finishing downwind.
- 11.2 The intended course area will be Port Jackson (Sydney Harbour) between Kirribilli Point and South Head.

12 ADVERTISING

- 12.1 As boats and equipment will be supplied by the Organising Authority, ISAF regulation 20.4 applies. Each boat will be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA.
- 12.2 Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for breaches of any rules regarding advertising (amends RRS 60.1).



13 PRIZES

- 13.1 The principal prize for first place will be the inscription on the Hardy Cup.
- 13.2 There will be prizes for first, second and third places.
- 13.3 The OA may reduce a prize in the case of misconduct or refusal to comply with any reasonable request, including attendance at official functions.

14 MEDIA, IMAGES and SOUND

- 14.1 The OA may require competitors to be available for interviews. The OA shall have the right to use at any date or time, free of any charge, any images, sound or footage recorded during the event.
- 14.2 Competitors shall not interfere with the normal working of the OA supplied media equipment.

15 COACH BOATS

- 15.1 Coach boats shall conspicuously display identification of the team being coached.
- 15.2 The OA will provide berths for coach boats.
- 15.3 Any interference by a coach boat with the racing or event organisation may result in a penalty applied at the discretion of the IJ to the associated skipper or team.

16 ACCOMMODATION

Arrangements are in place to provide billeted accommodation. Full details will be provided with the letter of invitation.

17 OTHER REQUIREMENTS

The OA will issue all competitors and officials temporary membership of the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron for the duration of the regatta. Temporary membership will be issued on the basis that the competitors and officials respect the rules and regulations of temporary membership and can have this privilege revoked should such request be ignored.

18 DISCLAIMER

All those taking part in these races do so at their own risk and responsibility. Specific attention is drawn to Fundamental 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, any Sponsors, or the respective class association are not responsible for any damage or injury either afloat or ashore.

19 INVITATIONS

For further information about invitations please contact the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron.

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