



2024-2025
SWAN RIVER RETRO
YACHT SERIES

**Notice of Race and
Sailing Instructions**



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Organising Authority
Royal Perth Yacht Club
Races 1, 3 and 6



Organising Authority
Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club
Races 2, 4 and 5

In conjunction with
Swan River Retro Yacht Series Organising Group

1. RULES

- 1.1 The 2024-25 Swan River Retro Yacht Series will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing, this Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 Rule A5.3 will apply.
- 1.3 In the event of any conflict these Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 World Sailing Advertising Code (Regulation 20) shall apply.
<https://www.sailing.org/documents/regulations/regulations.php>

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Eligibility is limited to yachts with a design date of 1975 or earlier.
- 3.2 Exemptions to rule 3.1 may be made at the discretion of the Swan River Retro Yacht Series Organising Group (SRRYSOG).
- 3.3 Boats accepted for entry will be grouped by handicap and classified as follows:
Division 1: Sloop - Bermuda & Gaff rigged
Division 2: Sloop - Bermuda & Gaff rigged
Division 3: Sloop - Bermuda & Gaff rigged
The allocated handicap will be set at the discretion of the SRRYSOG.
- 3.4 Entry must be made by completing the [online Entry Form](#) on the [RFBYC event Webpage](#). The completed form with the required entry fee must be lodged with Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club for the complete Series and for the individual races (see section 4 Fees).
- 3.5 Registered boats shall **sign on for each race** listing all crew onboard using the following links:
Races at RFBYC <http://tymob.net.au/mycrew.php?evid=1799>
Races at RPYC <http://tymob.net.au/mycrew.php?evid=1814>
- 3.6 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the SRRYSOG.

4. FEES

- 4.1 An entry fee of \$100 for the 6-race Series shall apply which must be lodged together with the Entry Form as per 3.4.
- 4.2 After the first race, an individual race entry fee of \$20 per race can be paid. The fee, together with the completed Entry Form must be received by the Organising Authority (RFBYC) no later than 1600 hours on the Wednesday prior to the race.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 The Series will consist of six races.
- 5.2 Dates and Start Times are as follows:

Race 1 **Sunday 20 October 2024 – The Lady in Red Trophy**
Mid River Start - First warning 1325
Finish at **Royal Perth Yacht Club**

Race 2 **Sunday 17 November 2024 – The Team Finland Trophy**
Mid River Start - First warning 0955
Finish at **Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club**

Race 3 **Sunday 15 December 2024 – The Canobie Trophy**
Mid River Start - First warning 1325
Finish at **Royal Perth Yacht Club**

Race 4 **Sunday 12 January 2024 – The Bacchante Trophy**

Mid River Start - First warning 1325

Finish at [Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club](#)

Race 5 **Sunday 23 February 2024 – The Eun Na Mara Trophy**

Mid River Start – First Warning 0955

Finish at [Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club](#)

Race 6 **Sunday 23 March 2024 – The Thera Trophy**

Mid River Start - First warning 1325

Finish at [Royal Perth Yacht Club](#)

Results for each race will be announced at the host club as soon as practicable after the completion of the day's racing. In the spirit of the Series, competitors are encouraged to attend the announcement of results.

6. SAILS

- 6.1 Downwind sails may be used (Excluding Spinnakers as defined in RRS 55.4). Such sails, other than the boat's normal working (close-hauled) sails, shall be declared to allow handicaps to be appropriately set. Declarations shall be made with submission of entry form.

7. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 7.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on both the RPYC and RFBYC Official Notice Boards located in the main foyer of the Senior Clubhouse at RPYC and the main foyer of the Senior Clubhouse at RFBYC.
- 7.2 Every effort will be made to post notices and changes on both club's websites. Failure to do so will not be grounds for protest.

8. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 8.1 Any change to these Instructions will be posted on the Online Notice Boards at both RPYC and RFBYC by 1700 on the Friday prior to the Sunday race and made public at the Race Committee Boat before the race by display of Flag "L" and broadcast on VHF Ch77.
- 8.2 Every effort will be made to email registered competitors of any changes. Failure to do so will not be grounds for redress.

9. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 9.1 For all races signals made ashore will be notified via the online notice boards at both RPYC and RFBYC.
- 9.2 When "AP" is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in Race Signals section of the Racing Rules of Sailing.

10. DIVISIONS AND CLASS FLAGS

- 10.1 Yachts will be allocated to divisions by the handicapper and at the discretion of the SRRYS Organising Group.
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| 10.1.1 Sloop/Bermuda/Gaff Rigged | Division 1 | Naval Numeral 1 |
| 10.1.2 Sloop/Bermuda/Gaff Rigged | Division 2 | Naval Numeral 2 |
| 10.1.3 Sloop/Bermuda/Gaff Rigged | Division 3 | Naval Numeral 3 |
- 10.2 Yachts are required to display division flags.

11. RACING AREAS

Racing for Races 1, 3 and 6 will be conducted in Melville Waters and Matilda Bay.

Racing for Races 2, 4 and 5 will be conducted in Melville Waters and Freshwater Bay.

12. COURSES

12.1 The courses to be sailed are outlined in these Sailing Instructions.

12.2 Courses may be shortened in accordance with RRS 32 or alternatively as detailed in the course sheets in these Sailing Instructions.

13. MARKS

13.1 Marks of the course will be fixed marks as shown in the "[Guide to Swan River Yacht Racing Course Marks](#)" as outlined in the Course Sheet.

13.2 The Race Committee may, at their discretion, use a day buoy to be rounded before proceeding to the first mark of the course which will be signalled by the display of Flag "Q" (Yellow) flown on the Race Committee Boat.

13.2.1 The day buoy will either be an orange or yellow inflatable buoy.

13.2.2 A Red or Green Flag will indicate whether the mark is to be left to port or starboard before proceeding to the first mark of the course as stated in the Course Sheets. This day buoy does not replace the first mark of the course, it is in addition to it.

13.3 Navigation Posts: All navigation posts except Outer Dolphin (17) and Deepwater (37) that are not listed as rounding or passing mark on the course sheet, shall be passed on their correct navigational side. All such navigation posts shall rank as obstructions for the purpose of RRS Part 2 and RRS 19 shall apply.

13.4 Obstructions: Boats shall not sail through the line joining Bricklanding Buoys (33a) and (33b) or through a line joining Smith Buoy (35a) and Lucky Bay Buoy (35b). These lines are considered to be obstructions for the purpose of RRS Part 2. A boat breaking this rule may accept a scoring penalty of 30% calculated in accordance with RRS 44.3."

13.5 Boats shall not sail through any other Club's start/finish line that is "On Station" with the Orange or Blue Flag shown. These lines shall be deemed to be Obstructions for the purpose of RRS Part 2.

14. THE START

14.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.

14.2 The starting location and warning signal times will be as per the table below:

Date	Start and Finish Location	First Warning Signal		
		Division One	Division Two	Division Three
20 Oct 2024	Royal Perth Yacht Club	1325	1330	1335
17 Nov 2024	Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club	0955	1000	1005
15 Dec 2024	Royal Perth Yacht Club	1325	1330	1335
12 Jan 2025	Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club	1325	1330	1335
23 Feb 2025	Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club	0955	1000	1005
23 Mar 2025	Royal Perth Yacht Club	1325	1330	1335

14.3 The start line will be between the staff displaying an Orange Flag on the Race Committee Boat at the starboard end and a black and white chequered or yellow buoy at the port end.

14.4 A boat that starts later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be recorded as Did Not Start (DNS).

15. THE FINISH

- 15.1 For Races 1, 3 and 6, the finish line will be RPYC Finish Line "A", between the staff displaying an orange flag on the starting box and a yellow inflatable cylindrical buoy.
- 15.2 For Races 2, 4 and 5 the finish line will be RFBYC Start/Finish line 1, between the triangle above the start box and the black and white chequered outer mark placed in an easterly direction from the start box.
- 15.3 Boats retiring or ceasing racing to return to their own Club must inform the Race Officer by VHF Channel 77 (preferred) or by phone to 0488 058 207 at RPYC for races 1, 3 and 6 or by phone to RFBYC on 0422 654 833 for races 2, 4 and 5.

16. PENALTIES

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the two-turn penalty is replaced by a one-turn penalty.

17. TIME LIMIT

- 17.1 The time limit for all boats is 2 hours 30 minutes or 45 minutes after the first boat has finished in either the Combined Fleet or in their Division as appropriate, whichever is the latest. This changes RRS 35.

18. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 18.1 Protest forms are located in the main foyer of the Senior Clubhouses of both Royal Perth Yacht Club and Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club.
- 18.2 Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the relevant Regatta Office depending on the race date.
- 18.3 Protest time limit for each division is 60 minutes from the finishing time for the last yacht in that divisions.

19. SCORING

- 19.1 Boats will be scored in the Combined Fleet Series and in their Divisional Series
 - 19.1.1 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
 - 19.1.2 When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores.
 - 19.1.3 When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - 19.1.4 Boats which are not entered in at least four races will not be eligible for Consistency points scores and Trophies.
 - 19.1.5 In the case of a whole division not being able to finish their race, all starters will score two-thirds of the number of boats in that race to the nearest whole number. This amends 19.2.1
 - 19.1.6 Boats being On Course Side (OCS) or Disqualified (DSQ) will score the number of boats in their fleet on that day plus one.
- 19.2 The Series Handicapping System will be as shown in Addendum A to these Sailing Instructions.

20. RESULTS

Results for each race will be announced at the host club as soon as possible after the completion of the day's racing and will also be posted online as soon as practicable thereafter. In keeping with the spirit of the series, competitors are encouraged to attend the announcement of results.

21. PRIZES

- 21.1 Race winners will be awarded a pennant and the trophy corresponding to the race detailed in 5.2.

21.2 Series Division winners and placegetters will receive the following prizes as cash or voucher.

	1 st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd Place
Division 1	\$200	\$150	\$100
Division 2	\$200	\$150	\$100
Division 3	\$200	\$150	\$100

21.3 **The SRRYS Perpetual Trophy** will be awarded to the overall handicap winner (lowest point score) of the Combined Fleets section of the Series.

21.4 **The B4 40 Trophy** for yachts launched in 1939 or earlier will be awarded to the first eligible yacht with the lowest point score in the Combined Fleet section of the Series.

21.5 **The Old Gaffers Consistency Trophy** for current financial members of the Old Gaffers Association of WA will be awarded to the first eligible yacht with the lowest point score in the Combined Fleet section of the Series.

21.6 Trophies and prizes will be presented to the winners and placegetters at the Prize Presentation Function – venue, date and time to be confirmed.

22. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the Series at entirely their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The Organising Authorities will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the Series.

23. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD \$10,000,000 per incident or equivalent.

24. SAFETY AND COMMUNICATIONS

24.1 The Australian Sailing Special Regulations 2021-2024 (Part 1) shall apply.

24.2 Boats entered in the Series or any individual race must comply with Australian Sailing Special Regulations Category 7.

24.3 All boats are required to have an operational VHF radio. VHF Ch 77 will be monitored to cater for any emergency during the event.

24.4 RPYC will provide a Committee Boat and Safety Boat for races 1, 3 and 6.

RFBYC will provide a Committee Boat and a Safety Boat for races 2, 4 and 5.

24.5 Entrants are encouraged to monitor VHF Channel 77 throughout each race.

24.6 In an emergency, yachts unable to effectively communicate by VHF radio should call RPYC on 0488 058 207 during races 1, 3 and 6 or call RFBYC on 0422 654 833 during races 2, 4 and 5.

25. FURTHER INFORMATION

All general enquiries and communications should be addressed to:

Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club (Organising Authority)

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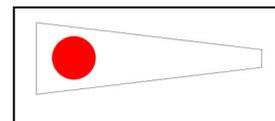
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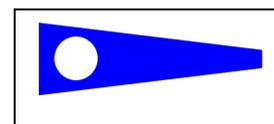


RACES 2, 4 AND 5 RFBYC START & FINISH

COURSE 1 – South Westerly – Numeral Pennant 1

All marks to be rounded unless designated as Pass

<p>DIVISION 1</p> <p>Start - vicinity of Melville Water West</p> <p>Bricklanding Buoy A (33a) S</p> <p>Parker Buoy (17) P</p> <p>Mosman Buoy A (14) P</p> <p>Mosman Buoy B (13) P</p> <p>Burnside Spit (58) S</p> <p>College Buoy (23) S</p> <p>*Pass through RFBYC Start/Finish line No1 in a S direction</p> <p>Mosman Buoy B (13) P</p> <p>Pass Hobbs (13a) P</p> <p>Blackwall Buoy (11) P</p> <p>Pass Hobbs (13a) S</p> <p>Burnside Spit (58) S</p> <p>College Buoy (23) S</p> <p>Pass through RFBYC Start/Finish line No1 in a S direction</p> <p>Course Length: 8.2 nm</p>	<p>DIVISION 3</p> <p>Start - vicinity of Melville Water West</p> <p>Bricklanding Buoy A (33a) S</p> <p>Parker Buoy (17) P</p> <p>Mosman Buoy A (14) P</p> <p>Mosman Buoy B (13) P</p> <p>Burnside Spit (58) S</p> <p>College Buoy (23) S</p> <p>Pass through RFBYC Start/Finish line No1 in a S direction</p> <p>Course Length: 4.8 nm</p>
<p>DIVISION 2</p> <p>Start - vicinity of Melville Water West</p> <p>Bricklanding Buoy A (33a) S</p> <p>Parker Buoy (17) P</p> <p>Mosman Buoy A (14) P</p> <p>Mosman Buoy B (13) P</p> <p>Burnside Spit (58) S</p> <p>College Buoy (23) S</p> <p>*Pass through RFBYC Start/Finish line No1 in a S direction</p> <p>Mosman Buoy A (14) P</p> <p>Mosman Buoy B (13) P</p> <p>Burnside Spit (58) S</p> <p>College Buoy (23) S</p> <p>Pass through RFBYC Start/Finish line No1 in a S direction</p> <p>Course Length: 7.1 nm</p>	<p>*Shortened Course:</p> <p>As the leading boat approaches RFBYC Finish Line, Flag 'S' with two sound signals will be displayed on the RFBYC finishing box. All divisions are then required to proceed to and finish in a Southerly direction at RFBYC Start/Finish Line '1'.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) RFBYC Start/Finish Line '2' is inactive (not in use) for this Series. (2) Unless otherwise nominated as Course Marks, all Navigation Marks are to be passed on their navigational sides, with special attention to Pilbarra and Court which can be passed on either side. (3) See SIs 13 Marks <p>All marks to be rounded unless designated as Pass</p>

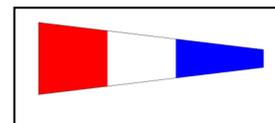


RACES 2, 4 AND 5 RFBYC START & FINISH

COURSE 2 – South Easterly – Numeral Pennant 2

All marks to be rounded unless designated as Pass

<p>DIVISION 1</p> <p>Start - vicinity of Melville Water West</p> <p>Sanders Buoy (99) S</p> <p>Bricklanding Buoy A (33a) S</p> <p>Parker Buoy (17) P</p> <p>Roe Buoy (16) P</p> <p>Miller (28) P</p> <p>Parker Buoy (17) P</p> <p>*Pass through RFBYC Start/Finish line No1 in a S direction</p> <p>Mosman Buoy B (13) P</p> <p>Miller Buoy (28) P</p> <p>Parker Buoy (17) P</p> <p>Roe Buoy (16) P</p> <p>Pass through RFBYC Start/Finish line No1 in a S direction</p> <p>Course Length: 8.5 nm</p>	<p>DIVISION 3</p> <p>Start - vicinity of Melville Water West</p> <p>Sanders Buoy (99) S</p> <p>Bricklanding Buoy A (33a) S</p> <p>Parker Buoy (17) P</p> <p>Roe (16) P</p> <p>Miller (28) P</p> <p>Parker Buoy (17) P</p> <p>Pass through RFBYC Start/Finish line No1 in a S direction</p> <p>Course Length: 5 nm</p>
<p>DIVISION 2</p> <p>Start - vicinity of Melville Water West</p> <p>Sanders Buoy (99) S</p> <p>Bricklanding Buoy A (33a) S</p> <p>Parker Buoy (17) P</p> <p>Roe Buoy (16) P</p> <p>Miller (28) P</p> <p>Parker Buoy (17) P</p> <p>*Pass through RFBYC Start/Finish line No1 in a S direction</p> <p>Mosman Buoy B (13) P</p> <p>Parker Buoy (17) P</p> <p>Roe Buoy (16) P</p> <p>Pass through RFBYC Start/Finish line No1 in a S direction</p> <p>Course Length: 6.5 nm</p>	<p>*Shortened Course:</p> <p>As the leading boat approaches RFBYC Finish Line, Flag 'S' with two sound signals will be displayed on the RFBYC finishing box. All divisions are then required to proceed to and finish in a Southerly direction at RFBYC Start/Finish Line '1'.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) RFBYC Start/Finish Line '2' is inactive (not in use) for this Series. (2) Unless otherwise nominated as Course Marks, all Navigation Marks are to be passed on their navigational sides, with the exception of Pilbarra and Court which can be passed on either side. (3) See SIs 10.3 Marks <p>All marks to be rounded unless designated as Pass</p>

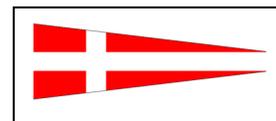


RACES 1, 3 AND 6 RPYC START & FINISH

COURSE 3 – South Westerly – Numeral Pennant 3

All marks to be rounded unless designated as Pass

<p>DIVISION 1 Start - vicinity of Sanders (99) Miller (28) P Sanders (99) S Attadale (45) S Bond (38A) P Bartlett (39) S Outer Dolphin (17) P *Finish 1: Pass through RPYC Box Finish Line in a NW direction **Day Buoy S Foam Buoy (55) S Sanders (99) S Outer Dolphin (17) P Finish in NW direction Course Length 10.2nm</p>	<p>DIVISION 3 Start - vicinity of Sanders (99) Miller (28) P Sanders (99) S Attadale (45) S Bond (38A) P Bartlett (39) S Outer Dolphin (17) P Finish in NW direction Course Length 5.6nm</p>
<p>DIVISION 2 Start - vicinity of Sanders (99) Miller (28) P Sanders (99) S Attadale (45) S Bond (38A) P Bartlett (39) S Outer Dolphin (17) P *Finish 1: Pass through RPYC Box Finish Line in a NW direction **Day Buoy S Foam Buoy (55) S Robins (59) S Outer Dolphin (17) P Finish in NW direction Course Length 8.8nm</p>	<p>*Shortened Course: As the leading boat approaches Knot Spit, Flag 'S' with two sound signals will be displayed on the RPYC finishing box. All Divisions are then required to proceed to and finish in a North Westerly direction at RPYC Finish Line 'A'. **Day Buoy will be an orange conical inflatable mark located approximately equidistant between RPYC Outer Start 44A and Crawley Buoy 45 at 31° 58.845'S 115° 49.568'E. After rounding Day Buoy pass clear of finish line.</p>


RACES 1, 3 AND 6 RPYC START & FINISH

COURSE 4 – South Easterly – Numeral Pennant 4

All marks to be rounded unless designated as Pass

<p>DIVISION 1</p> <p>Start - vicinity of Sanders (99)</p> <p>Foam Buoy (55) S</p> <p>Sanders (99) S</p> <p>Bartlett (39) S</p> <p>Outer Dolphin (17) P</p> <p>*Finish 1: Pass through RPYC Box Finish Line in a NW direction</p> <p>**Day Buoy S</p> <p>Foam Buoy (55) S</p> <p>Sanders (99) S</p> <p>Outer Dolphin (17) P</p> <p>Finish in NW direction</p> <p>Course Length 10.0nm</p>	<p>DIVISION 3</p> <p>Start - vicinity of Sanders (99)</p> <p>Foam Buoy (55) S</p> <p>Sanders (99) S</p> <p>Bartlett (39) S</p> <p>Outer Dolphin (17) P</p> <p>Finish in NW direction</p> <p>Course Length 5.4nm</p>
<p>DIVISION 2</p> <p>Start - vicinity of Sanders (99)</p> <p>Foam Buoy (55) S</p> <p>Sanders (99) S</p> <p>Bartlett (39) S</p> <p>Outer Dolphin (17) P</p> <p>*Finish 1: Pass through RPYC Box Finish Line in a NW direction</p> <p>**Day Buoy S</p> <p>Foam Buoy (55) S</p> <p>Robins (59) S</p> <p>Outer Dolphin (17) P</p> <p>Finish in NW direction</p> <p>Course Length 8.5nm</p>	<p>*Shortened Course:</p> <p>As the leading boat approaches Knot Spit, Flag 'S' with two sound signals will be displayed on the RPYC finishing stand. All Divisions are then required to proceed to and finish in a North Westerly direction at RPYC Finish Line 'A'.</p> <p>**Day Buoy will be an orange conical inflatable mark located approximately equidistant between RPYC Outer Start 44A and Crawley Buoy 45 at 31° 58.845'S 115° 49.568'E. After rounding Day Buoy pass clear of finish line.</p>

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Addendum A - Series Handicapping Systems

Boats' initial Series' handicaps will be derived from previous Series finishing handicaps and historical BCYs. Boats for whom insufficient data is available will start with a default handicap and once calculated will have their allocated handicap retrospectively applied to their elapsed times for race/s for which they started with the default.

Skippers may request a handicap review at any time. All reviews will include reference to historical BCYs and places achieved

Handicaps will be provided to competitors prior to the commencement of each race. Handicaps will be adjusted and updated throughout the Series.

1. Handicap Parameters

- 1.1. Only three digits will be used for SRRYS Handicapping.
- 1.2. After each race boats' handicaps will be adjusted as follows:
 - 1.2.1. First-place getters will go up by 0.010.
 - 1.2.2. Second-place getters will go up by 0.005:
 - 1.2.3. Third-place getters will not be adjusted.
 - 1.2.4. Others up to and including those 3 minutes off will go down by 0.003.
 - 1.2.5. Those more than 3 minutes off will go down by 0.006.
 - 1.2.6. Those more than 6 minutes off for consecutive races will have their handicap reviewed.

2. Additional Manual Adjustments

- 2.1. A first-place getter winning by more than one minute but not more than two minutes on corrected time will have their handicap raised by an additional 0.003. First-place getters winning by more than two minutes will have their handicap reviewed.
- 2.2. Boats gaining consecutive places (first, second or third) on corrected time, will receive a further penalty according to the place gained in the second race:
 - 2.2.1. Third place receives an extra 0.001.
 - 2.2.2. Second place receives an extra 0.002.
 - 2.2.3. First place receives an extra 0.003.
- 2.3. Boats gaining three or more consecutive places will have their handicap reviewed.