



GOSFORD SAILING CLUB

Radio Controlled Yachts

NOTICE OF RACE

Spring/Summer Series – 2023/2024



1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

This event is organised by the Gosford Sailing Club.

1.1 EVENT SCHEDULE for SPRING/SUMMER TWILIGHT SERIES 2023/2024

2023

Tuesday October 10, 24

Tuesday November 7, 21

Tuesday December 5, 19

2024

Tuesday January 9, 23

Tuesday February 6, 20

Tuesday March 5, 19

Tuesday April 2

Interclub Competition

Sunday November 26

Briefing and sign on at 9.45, Racing at 10am

- 1.2** Compulsory briefing and sign on FOR Spring /Summer series 4:45pm, Racing from 5:00pm.

2 RULES

- 2.1** The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 as amended by Appendix E (Radio Sailing Racing Rules); or as amended herein and the Dragon Force 65 Restricted Class Rules.
- 2.2** The following Racing Rules will be changed:
- E3.1: The control area will be defined on the course board.
 - E3.2: Launching area will be specified on the course board
 - E3.3: The course will be displayed on a course Board.
 - E3.6: Following a general recall, Rule 30.1 shall apply to the restart.
- For subsequent general recalls Rules 30.1, 30.3 or 30.4 may apply.
- E3.8(c): Courses may be shortened.
 - E5.1(a): The race committee will appoint Observers, who may be competitors.
 - E6.4: Add "but prior to the preparatory signal for the next heat or race."

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turn Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

RRS 31 is changed so that a boat touching a mark does not need to take a penalty

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1** From 1st January 2022, all persons on board a boat while racing shall be members of a Club affiliated to Australian Sailing and have an Australian Sailing number or hold a valid Sail Pass. Any entrant who does not have an Active Australian Sailing Number can register for a Gosford Radio Control Sail Pass [Here](#)
- 3.2** The competition is open to GSC Sailing members, Radio Control Sailing members and Visitors.
- 3.3** A Sail Pass member entrant shall be deemed to be a sailing member up to and including six (6) races in any sailing season.
- 3.4** A visitor shall be counted as a starter, with all rights accorded to the boat while racing, but will not be counted in the series finishing positions. A visitor who subsequently joins Gosford Sailing Club or who has lodged an application for membership, which is being processed, shall be considered to be a financial member for up to three (3) races competed in as a visitor.
- 3.5** The following class will be sailed: Dragon Force 65 Restricted Class, equipped with standard "A" rig sails.
- 3.6** Eligible boats may enter online at:- rcyachts@gossail.com.au OR by advising the Race Committee of their intention to race.
- 3.7** There is an entry fee of \$10.00 for the Series.
- 3.8** Gosford Sailing Club reserves the right to refuse an entry.

4 FREQUENCIES

- 4.1** For frequency bands other than 2.4 Ghz, each competitor shall nominate a minimum of three (3) frequencies with their entry. Permitted frequency bands are 27, 29, 36, 40 Mhz and 2.4 Ghz.

5 PERSONAL SAIL NUMBERS

- 5.1** Authorised personal numbers shall take preference over other conflicting sail numbers provided the member seeking to use their Personal Number has entered the event and paid the entry fee prior to the nominated "close of entries" date as set out in this Notice of Race.
- 5.2** Skippers wishing to use authorized personal numbers shall produce a current, valid personal number certificate at registration.

6 COURSE

- 6.1** Where possible, the course will comprise a first leg and a finish leg to windward. The course will generally be a windward / leeward course with an offset mark to windward and a single rounding leeward mark.
- 6.2** The Race Committee will attempt to set a course which will take approximately 10 minutes for the first boat to complete

7 PENALTY SYSTEMS AND PROTESTS

- 7.1** The Arbitration System for Protest Hearings will be RRS Appendix T
- 7.2** A Protest Committee will be appointed to hear any protests arising from the event and may comprise competitors not involved in the incident. RRS 61.2 and 62.2 may be replaced by a verbal notification and hearing if all parties affected by the incident agree.
- 7.3** Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

8 SCORING

- 8.1** A series will be composed of a number of races. A single day racing will be made up of heats. The scoring systems shall be for single heat racing (RRS A4.1) and as described in the Sailing Instructions.

9 DIGITAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

- 9.1** By taking part in this event, the competitor gives Gosford Sailing Club and the event's sponsors the right to use and show at any time photos or videos of the competitor and/or their boat made during this event in any materials, on any webpages, and on any social media in support or in connection with the event, including the publication of results.

10 DISCLAIMERS OF LIABILITY & RISK WARNING

- 10.1** It is the competitor's decision to enter the Event or to start and continue in any race.
- 10.2** Competitors shall accept that their participation in the event is at their exclusive risk in every respect. By way of entry in the event, competitors must indemnify the Organising Authority, their officers, members, staff and agents in respect of all claims and demands of whatever nature which may be made upon them in connection with, or howsoever arising from their participation in the Event.
- 10.3** This RISK WARNING is issued jointly by Gosford Sailing Club and NSW Maritime, pursuant to the Civil Liability Act 2002 to all persons wishing to participate in the sailing activities conducted by the Gosford Sailing Club.
- 10.4** Participants are also advised that although Gosford Sailing Club is covered by third party liability insurance, this cover DOES NOT extend to participants. Any participant who considers that they have a need for insurance must make their own private arrangements with an insurer.