



NOTICE OF RACE

(Amended 8/8/23 & 25/01/24)

Organising Authority | Swan River Sailing in conjunction with Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club
Peppermint Grove, Western Australia | Monday, 29th January – Friday, 2nd February 2024

The following abbreviations apply to this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions:

PC: Protest Committee or International Jury

SI: Sailing Instruction

NoR: Notice of Race

RC: Race Committee

OA: Organising Authority

TD: Technical Delegate

RRS: Racing Rules of Sailing

[NP]: A boat may not protest as per NoR 1.3

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, including RRS Appendix C.
- 1.2 The rules for the handling of boats and the equipment list, detailed as part of the Sailing Instructions, will apply, and will also apply to any practice sailing and sponsor races. Class rules will not apply.
- 1.3 The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 1.4 The following changes to the RRS will apply:
- 1.5 No Australian Sailing prescriptions apply.
- 1.6 The event has applied for World Sailing Grade 2. This grading is subject to review by World Sailing. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The SI's will be available on Monday, 29th January 2024 at registration in the Regatta Office located in the Dinghy and Training Centre (DTC) and on the online official noticeboard.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the online official notice board which is located at www.swanriversailing.com/warrenjonesregatta.
- 3.2 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flag mast located on the top lawn in front of the main clubhouse at Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Up to twelve (12) skippers will be invited. Skippers wishing to receive an invite may register their request with the OA by completing the online form available at <https://www.revolutionise.com.au/swanriversailing/events/195199> by 5pm AWST on Friday, 15th September 2023. Local skippers may qualify for invitation by competing in the 2024 Colin Mullins Youth Regatta and 2024 JESS Match Cup.
- 4.2 All competitors shall be under the age of 25 years prior to and including Friday, 2nd February 2024. Proof of age must be presented at registration.
- 4.3 Only skippers invited by the OA who confirm acceptance of the invitation as detailed in the letter of invitation will be eligible to enter this event.
- 4.4 All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of World Sailing Regulation 19.4.
- 4.5 All competitors shall obtain a World Sailing Sailor ID by registering online at <https://member.sailing.org>. Skippers shall inform the OA of their World Sailing Sailor ID prior to or at registration.
- 4.6 The skipper shall complete registration, pay an entry fee of AUD\$1,850 including a non-refundable entry bond of AUD\$925, arrange the damage deposit of AUD\$2,000 and shall ensure that all crew complete weighing between 1130 and 1700 on Monday, 29th January 2024, unless extended by the OA.
- 4.7 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 World Sailing. (World Sailing Regulation 27.2.2(d)).

5. DAMAGE DEPOSIT

- 5.1 Each supplied boat is insured by the OA for third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD\$2,000 per incident.
- 5.2 Each skipper is responsible for the damage or loss to their boat unless responsibility is otherwise assigned by the umpires or PC. The damage deposit is the limit of liability of each skipper for each incident. In the event that a deduction is made from the deposit, the skipper will be required to restore the deposit to the original value to continue in the event.
- 5.3 The OA will refund any remaining damage deposit within 10 days after the event.

6. CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- 6.1 The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be 5 or 6 (5, 6 or 7 for all-female crews), excluding persons placed on board by the RC. All registered crew shall sail all races.
- 6.2 After the warning signal for a match, the registered skipper shall not leave the helm, except in an emergency.
- 6.3 When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event, the OA may authorise an original crew member to substitute.
- 6.4 When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event, the OA may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.
- 6.5 The total crew weight, including the skipper, dressed in at least shorts and shirts, shall not exceed 437.5 kg or 476 kgs for all-female crews, determined at the time of registration or such time as required by the RC.
- 6.6 The OA may place a person on each boat as either a guest, cameraman, or umpire observer.

7. EVENT FORMAT

- 7.1 The OA intends to provide six (6) Foundation 36 boats for racing in the event. Each boat will have the following sails: mainsail, genoa, jib and spinnaker.
- 7.2 Boats will be allocated as decided by the RC. The intention of the RC will be to allocate boats by draw, either daily or for each round. The RC may also require boats to be exchanged in a knock-out stage.
- 7.3 The sails to be used will be allocated by the RC. Competitors may be requested to exchange sails during a series to satisfy sponsorship commitments.
- 7.4 While all reasonable steps are taken to equalise the boats variations will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.
- 7.5 The number of matches to be sailed each day will be determined by the RC with the intention of the RC to start each subsequent flight as soon as practicable after the previous flight.
- 7.6 The course will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings at the windward mark and a leeward gate, finishing downwind.
- 7.7 The intended course area will be Freshwater Bay on the Swan River, Western Australia.
- 7.8
 - a) Skippers will be seeded into a double round robin based on World Sailing ranking list 30 days prior to the event.
 - b) After the First Stage, the following will apply:
 - 1) Skippers will be paired based on ranking in the First Stage with the highest ranked skipper paired with the lowest and the other skippers paired accordingly unless the stage specifies a different arrangement.
 - 2) In reference to RRS C4.1, the highest ranked skipper from the first stage shall choose their end for the first match and boats shall alternate every odd match.
 - 3) Crews will not exchange boats.
 - 4) Further matches in the series will not be sailed once the first skipper scores the points required for that stage.
- 7.9 The event will consist of the following stages:
 - a) First Stage – Round Robins
 - 1) All skippers will sail a double round robin.
 - 2) The four highest-scoring skippers shall qualify for the next stage.
 - b) Second Stage – Knock-Out Semi-Finals
 - 1) The skipper finishing first in Stage One shall select his opponent when requested by the RC to do so. The remaining two skippers shall race each other.
 - 2) The first skipper of each series to score at least 2 points shall proceed to the Final Stage, the losing skippers shall proceed to the Third and Fourth Place Stage.
 - c) Third Stage – Knock-Out Third and Fourth Place
 - 1) The losing semi-finalists shall race to determine third and fourth place.
 - 2) The first skipper to score at least 2 points shall be awarded third place, and the losing skipper awarded fourth place.
 - d) Fourth Stage – Knock-Out Final
 - 1) The first skipper to score at least 3 points shall be awarded first place, and the losing skipper awarded second place.
- 7.10 The RC may change the format or 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.

8. PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

8.1 Schedule (Amended 25/1/24)

Monday 29 January	1100 – 1700	Regatta Office open
	1130 – 1700	Registrations and crew weighing in the Regatta Office
	1200 – 1630	Practice sessions in Freshwater Bay
	1730	Race Committee & Umpire briefing at Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club
	1830	
Tuesday 30 January	0830	Daily briefing in the DTC
	1000 – 1800	Racing commences in Freshwater Bay
Wednesday 31 January	0830	Daily briefing in the DTC
	1000 – 1730	Racing continues in Freshwater Bay
	1830 – 1930	Corporate Cup
	2000	Welcome Function at Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club
Thursday 1 February	0830	Daily briefing in the DTC
	1000 – 1800	Racing continues in Freshwater Bay
Friday 2 February	0830	Daily briefing in the DTC
	1000	Racing continues in Freshwater Bay
	1200 – 1500	Gala Fundraising Luncheon at Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club
	1500 – 1830	Racing continues in Freshwater Bay
	1900	Prize Giving Ceremony at Royal Freshwater Yacht Club
	1930 onwards	Wrap-up party at Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club

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

- a) Welcome function for skippers and crew.
- ~~b) Beach Clean-up for at least two crew per team.~~
- c) Daily briefing for skippers.
- d) Corporate Cup for the skipper of each team.
- e) Gala Luncheon for the skipper of each team.
- f) Prize giving for the skippers and crews in the final series.

9. [NP] ADVERTISING

9.1 Boats shall display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.

10. CODE OF CONDUCT

10.1 Competitors and Support Persons shall comply with any reasonable request from any official, including attendance at official functions, cooperation with event sponsors, and shall behave so as not to bring the event into disrepute.

10.2 Competitors and support persons shall handle any equipment or place advertising provided by the organizing authority with care and seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.

11. SUPPORT PERSON

11.1 Support person vessels shall conspicuously display identification of the team being coached.

11.2 Support persons shall stay approximately 100m from the racing area while boats are racing or comply with reasonable requests from the officials.

11.3 Any interference by a Support Person with the racing or event organisation may result in a penalty applied at the discretion of the PC to the appropriate skipper or team.

11.4 The OA will not provide berths for support person vessels.

12. MEDIA, IMAGES AND SOUND

- 12.1 If required by the OA:
- a) Media personnel and equipment (or dummies) supplied by the OA shall be carried on board while racing.
 - b) Competitors shall wear microphones supplied by the OA during racing and be available for interviews when advised by the OA or RC.
 - c) Registered skippers shall wear communications equipment supplied by the OA that will allow commentators to communicate with them whilst racing.
- 12.2 Competitors shall not interfere with the normal working of the OA-supplied media equipment.
- 12.3 The OA has the right to use any images and sound recorded during the event free of charge.

13. DATA PROTECTION

14. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: *'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.'* By participating in this event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in an increased risk of injury.

Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes.

15. PRIZES

- 15.1 The principal prize for first place will be the inscription of the winning team members' names on the Warren Jones Youth Regatta perpetual trophy and a medallion for each team member.
- 15.2 Travel grants provided by the Warren Jones Foundation will be distributed as follows:
- 1st Place - AUD\$9,000
 - 2nd Place - AUD\$3,000
 - 3rd Place - AUD\$2,000
- 15.3 The "Travellers Trophy" will be awarded to the highest placed non-Australian team.
- 15.4 Other prizes may be awarded.
- 15.5 The OA may reduce a prize in the case of misconduct or refusal to comply with any reasonable request, including attendance at official functions.