



# Commodore's Cup Handicap Series 2019-2020

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Organising Authority is Jervoise Bay Sailing Club  
128 Woodman Point View, Coogee WA 6166

## **1. RULES**

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by rules as defined in The 2017 – 2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) of World Sailing, and the Prescriptions of Australian Sailing.
- 1.2. All relevant class rules apply.

## **2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS**

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the JBSC Club house.

## **3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 3.1. Any amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be advised at the pre-race briefing.

## **4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole at the JBSC Club house.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, `1 minute` is replaced with `not less than 30 minutes` in the race signal AP.

## **5. SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 5.1. Dates for the Series are as per the JBSC Calendar.
- 5.2. All days will have up to 3 races that count towards series score and all races will be back to back as soon as possible after the completion of the previous race.
- 5.3. Competitor Briefing not before 1200hrs each race day.
- 5.4. Warning signal not before 1300hrs each race day.

## **6. CLASS FLAG**

- 6.1. The class flag(s) will be advised at the pre-race briefing.

## **7. RACING AREA**

- 7.1. The racing area will be on the waters of Owen Anchorage off Woodman Point Western Australia, adjacent to Jervoise Bay Sailing Club.

## **8. COURSES**

- 8.1. The courses will be advised at the pre-race briefing, but are generally W-L type courses.
- 8.2. Legs of the course will not be changed after the preparatory signal. This changes rule 33.

- 8.3. Smaller boats may do less laps of the course and have their race time multiplied to determine a comparable full race time for yardstick scoring.

## **9. MARKS**

- 9.1. Marks will be advised at the pre-race briefing.

## **10. OBSTRUCTIONS**

- 10.1. The following areas are designated as obstructions:
- Starting and Finishing lines that are 'in use'.
  - The Committee Boat
  - Within 20m of the Cockburn Cement barge
  - Boats displaying the Green and White Safety boat flag

## **11. START**

- 11.1. Races will be started by using rule 26.
- 11.2. The starting line will be between a mast or staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end and the port-end starting mark.
- 11.3. A buoy carrying a flag may be permanently streamed from the Race Committee boat from the time of the warning signal until all boats have started.. The buoy is deemed to be a permanent part of the committee boat and any boat touching the buoy or passing between it and the committee boat shall be deemed to have touched the committee boat.
- 11.4. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence of other races.
- 11.5. A boat starting later than five (5) minutes after her Starting Signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

## **12. MARK BOATS**

- 12.1. Mark boats may be stationed beyond each mark. Failure of a mark boat to be on station will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

## **13. COURSE CHANGES**

- 13.1. To change the course for the next race, the Race Committee will move the existing marks to their new location.

## **14. FINISH**

- 14.1. The finishing line will be between a mast or staff displaying a blue flag on a Race Committee boat and the finishing mark to its starboard side. This may be varied by the Race Officer and will be advised at a pre-race briefing.

## **15. PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 15.1. Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 15.2. Appendix P will apply in relation to propulsion of boats.

## **16. TIME LIMIT**

- 1.1. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

## **17. PROTEST AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS**

- 17.1. Protest forms are available at the Race Office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the protest time limit which is 30 minutes after the last boat of that class has finished the last race of the day.
- 17.2. Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties.

## **18. MEDIATION**

- 18.1. A mediation hearing will be conducted for all protests lodged in accordance with rule 61 which allege an infringement of a rule of Part 2 or 4. Such hearings will be held subsequent to the protest being lodged and prior to the protest hearing.
- 18.2. The time and place of the mediation hearing will be decided by the mediator and such advice may be given verbally. One representative of each boat shall attend the mediation hearing and no witnesses shall be allowed. The mediator shall decide the manner in which testimony is given.
- 18.3. After taking testimony at a mediation hearing the mediator shall make one of the following conclusions:
  - i. The protest does not comply with rule 61 and the protestor may withdraw the protest.
  - ii. The matter shall proceed to a protest hearing.  
(This may be because rules other than Part 2 or 4 are or may be involved, or because the evidence is too complex or divergent to reach a reasonable and timely conclusion, or due to the apparent severity of the alleged infringement, or for any other reason decided by the mediator.)
  - iii. No rule was broken and the protestor may withdraw the protest.
  - iv. A rule was broken by one or more of the boats involved, the infringing boat(s) may accept scoring points equal to a finishing place mid-way between the boat's actual finishing place and a disqualification, and if so accepted the protestor shall withdraw the protest. (Half points shall be disregarded and the points of other boats shall not be adjusted.)

- 18.4. A mediation hearing shall not be reopened. No conclusion of a mediator shall be subject to appeal or be grounds for redress.
- 18.5. Should the protest proceed to a protest hearing then the mediator may be a member of the Protest Committee. Any evidence given by a mediator during a protest hearing shall be given only in the presence of the parties to the hearing.

## **19. SCORING**

- 19.1. The scoring across the series will be based on Skipper.
- 19.2. The Low point system of Appendix A9 will apply.
- 19.3. Four (4) racing days are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 19.4. When fewer than twelve (12) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 19.5. When thirteen (13) to eighteen (18) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her three (3) scores.
- 19.6. When nineteen (19) to twenty four (24) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst six (6) scores.
- 19.7. When twenty five (25) or more races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst nine (9) scores.
- 19.8. Elapsed times may be altered depending on the length of the course sailed. This is to allow for the possibility of smaller boats doing shorter courses.
- 19.9. Skippers that crew for other skippers may request equal scoring as the boat they raced on for that race so as to not be penalized for 'not racing'
- 1.1. Skippers who volunteer to support the racing may request average points for those races rather than being penalized for 'not racing'.
- 19.10. Any requests under 19.9 & 19.10 need to be recorded on the sign on sheet for the day of racing.

## **20. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 20.1. Check-Out and Check-In will apply. Each skipper shall sign on before leaving the beach and will sign off as soon as practicable when returning to the beach (not more than 30min).
- 20.2. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 20.3. Each skipper is required to ensure that their boat is seaworthy and in a fit condition to participate in racing.

## **21. EQUIPMENT & MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

- 21.1. A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

## **22. SUPPORT BOATS**

- 22.1. Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel not involved in race management shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or retired or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

## **23. PRIZES**

- 23.1. Prize Money and Trophies/Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd overall at the end of the series. 1st - \$500, 2nd - \$300, 3rd - \$200
- 23.2. Pennants may be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd of each race at the completion of the day's racing.
- 23.3. Presentations will be held at the JBSC Clubhouse as soon as possible after the completion of racing and de-rigging. Nibbles will be provided and the bar will be open

## **24. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 24.1. It is the competitor's decision to enter the Event or to start and continue in any race. Competitors shall accept that their participation in the Event is at their exclusive risk in every respect. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organising Authority, and the host club, their officers, sponsors, members, servants and agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of their participation or intended participation in this Event or howsoever arising in connection with this Event.