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L2H 2019

# NOTICE OF RACE

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> December 2019



# DERWENT SAILING SQUADRON

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The Derwent Sailing Squadron Inc., as the Organising Authority, invites entries from owners, owner's representatives or charterers of suitable monohull and multihull boats to compete in the Launceston to Hobart Yacht Race 2019. The race will be conducted on the waters of the Tamar River, Bass Strait, Tasman Sea, Mercury Passage and the Derwent River.

The race is organised and conducted by the Derwent Sailing Squadron with the cooperation of the Tamar Yacht Club.

## 1. RACE

The warning signal for the race will be signalled at 12:50hrs (Australian Eastern Daylight Time, AEDT) on 27<sup>th</sup> December 2019.

The start of the race will be in the Tamar River, Northern Tasmania off Inspection Head and the finish will be at Castray Esplanade in the Derwent River, Hobart.

The race is a 280 nautical miles passage race.

## 2. RULES

### 2.1. GENERAL

The race will be governed by the current versions of:

- I. The rules, as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 – 2020 (RRS) of the International Sailing Federation;
- II. The prescriptions and special regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) ("Special Regulations")
- III. Amendments or additions to i and ii above as defined here-in or in the Sailing Instructions.

### 2.2. AMENDMENTS

The Organising Authority reserves the right to amend this Notice of Race (NOR). Amendments will be published on the official notice board and on the event website [l2h-dssinc.org.au](http://l2h-dssinc.org.au)

### 2.3. OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD

The Official Notice Board is a notice board situated in the window adjacent to the front entrance of the Derwent Sailing Squadron in Sandy Bay. Copies will also be placed on the notice board situated at the Beauty Point annexe of the Tamar Yacht Club after 18:00hrs on the 26<sup>th</sup> December 2019.

### 2.4. BINDING NATURE OF DOCUMENTATION

By entering the race, owners, owner's representatives or charterers of a boat agree that this Notice of Race (including amendments), the entry, the rules and regulations referred to in paragraphs 2.1 and 2.2 and the Sailing Instructions shall be complied with by the boat and the owners, owner's representatives or charterers.

### 2.5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available on the event website: [l2h-dssinc.org.au](http://l2h-dssinc.org.au) Printed copies will be available from the office at the Derwent Sailing Squadron on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2019 and thereafter.

## 3. ELIGIBILITY

A boat shall:

- ☞ be either mono-hull or multihull with a minimum overall hull length of 8.5 metres;
- ☞ be built in accordance with the AS Special Regulations Section 3 Part 1, 3.01 and 3.02;



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- ☞ shall conform with stability requirements defined by the AS Special Regulations 3.04 for monohulls and stability and flotation in 3.05 for multihulls as set out in Appendix B of the AS Special Regulations for Category 3 races;
- ☞ comply with the AS Special Regulations for Race Category 3;
- ☞ have a crew that satisfies the requirements of NOR 3.2;
- ☞ have as a minimum a coastal recreational life raft(s) in service (as per manufacturer's specifications) capable of carrying the entire crew;
- ☞ carry at least two (2) mobile phones with relevant charging capability;
- ☞ carry the following charts (in paper form) on board:
  - ✓ AUS 167 Port Dalrymple
  - ✓ AUS 798 Eddystone Pt. to Stony Head
  - ✓ AUS 799 Stony Head to Rocky Cape
  - ✓ AUS 767 Wardlaws Pt. to Eddystone Pt.
  - ✓ AUS 766 Mistaken Cape to Wardlaws Pt.
  - ✓ AUS 797 Tasman Is to Mistaken Cape
  - ✓ AUS 796 Tasman Head to Cape Fredrick Henry

It is recommended to also carry the following charts and book:

- ✓ AUS 170 Maria Is and Mercury Passage
- ✓ AUS 169 Blackman Bay
- ✓ AUS 172 Port of Hobart
- ✓ Cruising Tasmania - Brettingham-Moore;
- ☞ carry a towing bridle suitable for use in offshore conditions;
- ☞ shall perform a pre-race radio check on Channel 73 with an organization and time to be advised at a later date. Boats not recorded as having adequate radio signal strength will not be eligible to start.

It is recommended by the Organising Authority that a boat carry a drogue sea anchor or parachute anchor.

It is recommended by the Organising Authority that a boat carry a waterproof grab bag for each life raft aboard. Recommended contents include (but not limited to) a handheld waterproof VHF, a 406 Mhz EPIRB, waterproof torch, signalling mirror, knife, additional flares, strobe light(s), dye marker, harness tethers and duct tape.

### 3.1. INSURANCE

The owners, owner's representatives or charterers of a boat entered in the race shall hold and present a copy of a marine legal liability insurance policy with respect to the boat current when racing, with a sum insured of not less than AUD\$10 million. The insurance policy shall state that the boat has cover for the race or has cover for yacht races of a length greater than 280 nautical miles.

### 3.2. IRC AND AMS BOATS

A boat may only be entered in the IRC or AMS handicap category if it:

- ☞ has a current valid IRC and/or AMS certificate, a copy of which has been received and is held by the L2H Organising Authority no later than 12:00hrs on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2019;
- ☞ complies with all the current IRC and AMS Rules and Regulations, save to the extent they are specifically amended or excluded in this Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions (refer RRS 78.1);

### 3.3. SAFETY AUDITS

All boats are required to have a Category 3 Australian Sailing Special Regulations Equipment compliance form audited by an approved person nominated by the Organising Authority. On request by the Race Committee, boats shall be made available for spot inspection to audit safety regulation compliance. Spot checks may be carried out at any time before the warning signal and after a boat finishes or retires. Boats found not to comply may be subject to penalty.

### 3.4. ELIGIBILITY OF CREW

All crew shall meet the requirements of ISAF Regulation 19 (ISAF Eligibility Code) [Australian Sailing member].

The minimum number of crew on a boat in any division is four (4) except the two (2) handed division.

The majority of the crew must be 18 years of age or over. Crew under 18 must provide evidence to the Organising Authority demonstrating past sailing experience along with a signed parental consent form. The Organising Authority may, in its absolute discretion, refuse to allow any crew member aged less than 18 years of age to participate in the race.

At least two (2) of the crew on the boat must have completed a Category 3 race or an equivalent Passage. Particulars must be supplied on the Declaration of Crew Experience to be provided under Paragraph 4.1

At least one (1) crew member on the boat must hold a Short Range Operators Certificate of Proficiency (SROCP) in Radio Telephony issued by relevant authority, or higher qualification. Copies of the crew member's current certificate or other qualification must be provided under Paragraph 4.2.

At least one (1) crew member on the boat shall hold a Senior First Aid Certificate or equivalent qualification(s), or be a practicing medical practitioner. Copies of the crew member's current certificate or other qualification must be provided under Paragraph 4.2.

It is recommended by the Organising Authority that at least two (2) crew members on the boat have completed an Australian Sailing Safety and Sea Survival Course or an approved equivalent.

### 3.5. DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY

A decision of the L2H Organising Authority or the Race Committee as to any matter under this Paragraph 3, including as to whether a boat and her crew meet the eligibility criteria for entry in the race is final and binding and will not be grounds for redress.

## 4. DOCUMENTATION TO BE LODGED

### 4.1. ENTRY

The L2H Organising Authority is not obliged to accept an entry (refer RRS 76.1).

Entry should be lodged on the L2H website with the following items submitted to the L2H Organising Authority. For competitors who do not have access to the internet a hard copy entry form appears at the end of this Notice of Race:



- ☞ Verification of stability (NOR 3);
- ☞ Declaration of Crew Experience;
- ☞ For crew under 18 years of age, evidence of offshore experience and a signed parental consent form;
- ☞ Final clothing and embroidery form;
- ☞ Colour photograph of the boat (no older than 12 months) under sail that is suitable for search and rescue identification purposes. This must be a digital photograph of a size not less than 6cm by 6cm with a resolution not less than 400 DPI.
- ☞ Certificate of Currency of Insurance, with details of the cover and the insurer (NOR 3.1).
- ☞ Entry fee(s) (NOR 6)

A completed entry, plus the additional items specified above, must be received by the Organising Authority by 17:00hrs on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

Measurement and Rating Certificates, as required (NOR 3.2), must be lodged with the Organising Authority by 12:00hrs on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2019.

The entry and the above items may be accepted after that date at the discretion of the Organising Authority, subject to a request for late acceptance being made to the Organising Authority in writing, accompanied by the specified Late Entry Fee.

No entry documentation will be accepted after 17:00hrs on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2019.

No entry will be accepted until entry payment is received in full.

#### **4.2. PRE-START DOCUMENTATION**

Subject to acceptance of an entry by the Organising Authority, the following additional items must be lodged with the Organising Authority:

- ☞ Life Raft Inspection Certificate(s);
- ☞ 406 EPIRB Certificate;
- ☞ Audited Special Regulations Form for Category 3. Available on request from the DSS office;
- ☞ Senior First Aid Certificate or acceptable equivalent;
- ☞ Short Range Operators Certificate of Proficiency in Radio Telephony or acceptable higher qualification;
- ☞ Crew List. Form available from the Organising Authority.

The additional items specified above shall be received by the Organising Authority by 17:00hrs on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2019.

The additional items specified above may be accepted after that date at the discretion of the Organising Authority, subject to a request for late acceptance being made to the Organising Authority in writing.

Privacy Note: Personal information about crew members is obtained in crew lists. That information is obtained for use in search and rescue situations and for media purposes. The information will be given to search and rescue authorities and organisations, the water police, volunteer coastal stations and media representatives, and may be passed on by them to other organisations. A condition of entry is that crew members are to be informed of this and advised that they may obtain access to the information held about them by contacting the Organising Authority.



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## 5. CHANGES TO SUPPLIED DOCUMENTATION

Documentation supplied to the Organising Authority under this Notice of Race, including a boat's rating certificate (other than crew lists) shall not be changed (except to correct errors or after protest) after 17:00hrs on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2019.

A boat's crew list may be changed to correct errors and/or to amend for late crew changes, but shall not be changed later than two hours prior (11:00hrs AEDT) to the starting signal (13:00hrs, AEDT). After any change to a crew list, the boat shall still satisfy the general requirements of 3.4.

Changes to the crew or details of any crew member must be notified in the format available from the Organising Authority.

## 6. FEES

The following fees shall be paid by credit card or cash on submission of the entry. They are not refundable after the 6<sup>th</sup> December 2019 and prior to that date at the discretion of the Organising Authority. All race entry fees include Goods and Services Tax (GST).

<b>Entry Fee</b>	<b>AUD \$375</b>
<b>Each Crew (Incl Skipper)</b>	<b>AUD \$85</b>
<b>Additional Handicap Entry</b>	<b>AUD \$75</b>
<b>Additional Late Entry Fee</b>	<b>AUD \$250</b>

## 7. HANDICAP CATEGORIES

### 7.1. HANDICAP CATEGORIES

The Launceston to Hobart Yacht Race 2019 will be conducted with the following handicap categories:

- ✓ IRC
- ✓ AMS
- ✓ PHS
- ✓ Two Handed
- ✓ PHS Multihull
- ✓ PHS Cruising

Such other categories as may be determined by the Organising Authority having regard to interest expressed by entrant and number of entries.

Cruising Boats will have a motoring allowance and will be required to nominate the time taken between predetermined points of the race course.

The Race Committee in its discretion may allocate boats to divisions within a handicap category.

### 7.2. ENTRIES

All boats are automatically entered in the PHS handicap category. A boat may also enter:

- ✓ Any handicap category for which it is eligible; or
- ✓ The Cruising Division



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A boat electing to race in more than one handicap category must pay the additional handicap category entry fee for each additional category (NOR 6).

A boat may not enter or participate in line honours only. A boat that is eligible for, and competes in, the race will also be scored in line honours. A separate line honours category may also be awarded for the Cruising, Two Handed and Multihull Divisions.

## **8. SCORING**

### **8.1. IRC (OVERALL AND DIVISIONS)**

Overall results will be calculated by the application of the IRC Time Corrector as a multiplier of elapsed time.

### **8.2. AMS**

Results will be calculated by the application of the AMS Time Corrector as a multiplier of elapsed time.

### **8.3. PHS, PHS TWO HANDED & PHS MULTIHULL**

Results will be calculated by the application of Time Correction Factors (TCF's) as a multiplier of elapsed time.

A boat's TCF will be determined by the Race Committee or its nominee and displayed on the official notice board prior to the start of the race. The TCF for the race will not be subject to protest.

The boat with the lowest corrected time (after application of scoring penalties, if any) will be scored first.

### **8.4. CRUISING DIVISION**

Before 08:00hrs on the 27<sup>th</sup> December each boat in the Cruising Division will nominate time taken between predetermined points of the race course. Points will be allocated based on the accuracy of these nominated times. Points will also be deducted for use of engines. The boat with the highest number of points, after application of scoring penalties, if any, will be scored first.

## **9. CHANGES TO CLASS RULES AND RACING RULES OF SAILING**

### **9.1. CHANGES TO THE IRC RULES**

IRC Rule 21.1.5(e): A spare mainsail may be carried as a bona fide replacement for a mainsail damaged during the race.

IRC Rule 21.6.1: In accordance with a prescription by Australian Sailing, a boat in the IRC Handicap Category may carry one more spinnaker of area not greater than rated SPA shown on her current IRC Certificate without an increase of rating.

IRC Rule 22.4: (Crew and Weight Restrictions) will not apply.

### **9.2. CHANGES TO THE RACING RULES OF SAILING**

RRS 50.2 – is changed to allow the use of fixed or retractable spinnaker poles and bowsprits for the purpose of setting asymmetrical spinnakers.

RRS 51 - A boat with movable ballast or variable ballast (within the meaning of those terms in the Special Regulations) may move that ballast for the purpose of changing trim or stability.

RRS 52 - does not apply to the adjustment and operation of sails or the adjustment of movable appendages on any boat.



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## 10. BRIEFINGS

### 10.1. COMPULSORY RACE AND WEATHER BRIEFING

A race briefing will be held at the Beauty Point annexe of the Tamar Yacht Club at 09.00hrs on the 27<sup>th</sup> December 2019.

At least two (2) crew members of each boat intending to compete in the race must attend the whole of the race briefing. It is recommended that the skipper and navigator attend.

If the required attendance at the Race and Weather Briefing is not met, the boat will not be eligible to race.

## 11. EVENT CLASSIFICATION AND ADVERTISING

### 11.1. GENERAL

An entry must contain brief details of all advertising that a boat intends to carry. The Organising Authority must be advised of all changes to advertising.

A boat must display the sponsor's bow decals in accordance with this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions (ISAF Regulation 20.4.1.1).

While berthed at Tamar Yacht Club's Beauty Point marina and immediately after finishing prior to docking at Elizabeth Pier the boat must display the event flag. Bow decals and event flags will be supplied by the Organising Authority prior to the start.

### 11.2. TRACKING DEVICES AND CAMERAS

A boat may be required to carry a tracking device supplied by the Organising Authority. A boat on which such a unit ceases to operate will be required to provide additional position reports in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.

The Organising Authority also reserves the right to place a camera on board any boat for media purposes.

Failure to carry and operate a tracking device or to carry a camera when required will lead to the cancellation of an entry or disqualification of the boat from the race.

## 12. ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES

- ☞ RRS 44.2 – Two Turns Penalty will apply for breaking a rule of RRS, Part 2 whilst South of the Farewell Beacon in the Tamar River.
- ☞ RRS 44.3 – Scoring Penalty will apply for breaking a rule of RRS, Part 2 outside the Tamar River.
- ☞ RRS 64.1 – Scoring Penalties may apply at the discretion of the Protest Jury.

## 13. MEDIA RIGHTS AND RESTRICTIONS

- ☞ The conditions of entry include a requirement that the owner, owner's representatives or charterers of the boat and all crew members acknowledge that the Organising Authority owns all media rights to the Launceston to Hobart Yacht Race 2019 and may exercise those rights as it sees fit; and
- ☞ Grant the Organising Authority the unconditional, perpetual right and authority to publish and broadcast anywhere in the world, for any purpose and in any media, the names, images and biographical information relating to the crew and photographs, video or drone footage and audio recordings taken of the boat and its crew before, during and after the race.

Crew members of boats may, before, during and after the race, speak or provide material to any media representatives accredited by the Organising Authority regarding the race and the prospects, performance or strategy of boats entered or participating in the race, subject to any comments and material not undermining or interfering with or having a detrimental impact on the Organising Authority and its officers and employees, the Race Committee, Protest Jury, measurers or current or former sponsors of the Organising Authority. This approval may be revoked by the Organising Authority in respect of a boat or media representative at any time.

Any breach of these conditions may, at the discretion of the Organising Authority or the Race Committee, lead to the rejection of or the cancellation of an entry (refer RRS 76.1). This does not limit the right of the Organising Authority to take any other action it sees fit to enforce compliance with these conditions.

## 14. DISCLAIMER

All those taking part in the race do so at their own risk and responsibility. The owners, owner's representative or charterers of a boat and on behalf of ALL crew members must acknowledge this, and release the Organising Authority and its officers, employees, volunteers and members, from all liability by signing a disclaimer and acknowledgement of rights form, as supplied by the Organising Authority.

Specific attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4, which states:

"The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone"

## 15. TROPHIES

### 15.1. OVERALL

Perpetual Trophy for the overall winner of the Riversdale Estate Launceston to Hobart Yacht Race 2019 will be calculated using the IRC Handicap system for monohull yachts.

### 15.2. DIVISIONS

Trophies for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> may be presented in all divisions. The overall winner will be eligible for division prizes.

### 15.3. LINE HONOURS

The Perpetual Trophy for Line Honours will be presented to the 1<sup>st</sup> yacht across the line from the monohull PHS, IRC or AMS division.

## 16. TROPHY PRESENTATION

The trophy presentation for the Riversdale Estate Launceston to Hobart Yacht Race 2019 will be held at the Derwent Sailing Squadron on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019.

