



Lake Wellington Yacht Club

LAKE WELLINGTON TRIANGLE

29th October 2023

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

The race will be governed by the Australia Sailing (A.S.) Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-24, by the rules of an applicable class, measurement or handicap system, (except as any of these changed by the Sailing Instructions), and by the Sailing Instructions and any supplementary Sailing Instructions that will be displayed on the notice board prior to race.

This race is designated as an Australian Sailing Special Regulations Category 5 event.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official regatta notice board located in the LWYC Clubhouse.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least one hour prior to race start time.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the LWYC flagpole.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Sunday 12th February 2023

Competitors Information Meeting		0930 hrs
Warning signal	(first division start)	1027 hrs
Start	(first division start)	1030 hrs

6. CLASS FLAGS

Division	Flag
1: CBH 0.699 and below	Naval Numeral 1
2: CBH 0.700 - 0.769	Naval Numeral 2
3: CBH 0.700 and above	Naval Numeral 3
4: Multihulls	Naval Numeral 4
5. All divisions start together	Naval Numeral 5

6. COURSES and MARKS

The course will be a triangular course starting in the vicinity of the Lake Wellington Yacht Club around a set mark at the eastern end of Lake Wellington, around a set mark at the south western end of Lake Wellington and then to the finish at the Lake Wellington Yacht Club.



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The course will be C1 “long course” or a C2 “short course” depending on predicted wind conditions and will be at the discretion of the Principal Race Officer. The course to be sailed will be advised by the Principal Race Officer and the pre-race competitors meeting and indicated on course board on Committee boat.

Long Course – C1

Mark	Position	Leave mark to....
Start		
E-Long	38°04.492`S 147°24.907`E	Starboard
SW	38°06.407`S 147°15.127`E	Starboard
Finish		

Short Course – C2

Mark	Position	Leave mark to...
Start		
E-Short	38°04.799`S 147°22.274`E	Starboard
SW	38°06.407`S 147°15.127`E	Starboard
Finish		

7. The Start

7.1 The starting line is a line between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port end starting mark (round orange mark)

7.2 Races will be started by using RRS rule 26 with the warning signal given three (3) minutes before the starting signal.

<i>Minutes before starting signal</i>	<i>Visual Signal</i>	<i>Sound Signal</i>	<i>Means</i>
3	Division flag	One	Warning signal
2	P or black flag	One	Preparatory signal
1	Preparatory flag removed	One long	One minute
0	Class flag removed	One	Starting Signal

7.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other divisions.

7.4 A boat that came to the starting area but did not start within 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, A4 and A5.

8.The Finish

8.1 The Finish line will be a line between the LWYC clubhouse control room and an orange cylindrical mark displaying a blue flag offshore from the clubhouse.



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8.2 The finish line must be crossed in the direction the course is sailed ie. LWYC clubhouse left to port and blue flagged mark to starboard.

9. Shortening of Course

The course may be shortened at any mark in accordance with RRS rule 32.1 and 32.2. If the course is to be shortened the race committee will make an announcement of VHF channel 72 and repeat 5 minutes after the original radio call.

10. Time limit

The time limit will be 6 hours.

11 Safety

11.1 A representative from each competing yacht must complete the sign on sheet prior to the warning signal for the race. Any yacht not signed on will not rank as a starter.

A representative from each yacht must complete the sign off sheet indicating completion of race or retirement from race. The time limit for “sign off” is 30 minutes after the last boat has finished. Boats failing to sign off within the time limit will be scored DNF.

11.2 The safety category for the Lake Wellington Triangle is Category 5. All entrants are required to indicate at sign on that they are compliant with Category 5 safety requirements.

11.3 Code flag “Y” will be flown for the entire period of the Lake Wellington Triangle race. ALL crews MUST wear an approved PFD at all time whilst on the water.

12. Protests and requests for redress

12.1 Protest forms are available from the race office

12.2 The protest time limit is 15 minutes after the last boat has finished the race. This changes RRS rules 61.3 and 62.2.

13. Radio Communication

13.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

13.2 Boats shall maintain a listening watch on the designated race channel VHF Ch.72.

14. Disclaimer of liability

Competitors participate in the race at their own risk (See RRS Rule 3: Decision To Race).

The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

15. Insurance

All competing boats shall have a current Insurance policy with a minimum Public Liability cover of not less than Ten Million Dollars AUD (\$10,000,000).