

Notice of Race

Organising Authority: Windrush Catamaran Association of Western Australia (WCAWA) in conjunction with Port Bouvard Yacht Club Mandurah.

1. COVID-19 REGULATIONS

- 1.1. The racing will be conducted in accordance with Federal & State legislation relating to COVID-19.
- 1.2. Competitors are responsible for deciding whether to participate or not, and for compliance with all applicable rules and regulations, including all COVID regulations.

2. Rules

- 2.1. The regatta will be governed by the current rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing subject to any local modification of rules specific to the Windrush Association.
- 2.2. RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 2.3. If there is a conflict between the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.
- 2.4. Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 Off the Beach Boats will apply. It will be the responsibility of all competitors to ensure that personal flotation devices comply with a standard equivalent to those listed in AS Special Regulations 5.01 Personal Floatation Devices.

3. Advertising

- 3.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

4. Eligibility and entry

- 4.1. The series is open to all classes of Windrush 14.
- 4.2. All Competitors must be current financial members of WACWA.
- 4.3. Entries will only be accepted from a current financial member of an affiliated yacht/sailing club who holds a current Australian Sailing Number.
- 4.4. All entries to be made via the Windrush Association, entry forms will be emailed to members shortly.
- 4.5. All entries to be received prior to 2000 on Monday 12th of February 2024.

5. Fees

- 1.1. *Race entry fees as per the Windrush Association.*
- 1.2. If under any circumstance the event is cancelled there will be no refunds.

6. Schedule

Day/Date		Event	Time
Friday	16th Feb	Invitation Race	1 st warning signal not before 1500
Saturday	17th Feb	Registration Compulsory Competitor Briefing Races 1-3 Boats will return to shore for a lunch break between races.	0800 0900 1 st warning signal not before 1000
Sunday	18 th Feb	Races 4-6 Boats will return to shore for a lunch break between races. Presentations	1 st warning signal not before 1000 TBA

There will be no warning signal made after 1500 on Sunday 18th Feb 2024 unless it follows a general recall.

7. Measurement and equipment

- 7.1. All boats and equipment shall comply with current class rules.
- 7.2. The event measurer reserves the right to inspect any boat and equipment at any time during the regatta to ensure compliance with the rules.

8. Sailing instructions

- 8.1. Sailing Instructions will be issued prior to race day and copies will also be available at the Compulsory Competitor Briefing.

9. Racing area

- 9.1. The intended course area will start/finish in the vicinity of the Harvey Estuary, south of the Dawesville Cut.

10. Support boats

- 10.1. All coach/support boats shall register at the competitor's registration desk.
- 10.2. Coaches/support boats shall always make themselves available while afloat to assist the race committee in the case of an emergency or rescue, as directed in person by the relevant race officer or via VHF radio.
- 10.3. Unless directed by the race committee, team leaders, coaches and other support persons shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first fleet to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall, or abandonment.

11. Radio, mobile phone and internet communication

- 11.1. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data transmissions that are not available to all boats.

12. Scoring

- 12.1. A minimum of four races must be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.2. When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 12.3. A minimum of four (4) boats will constitute a fleet. (Cat rig, Sloop rig and Supersloop)
- 12.4. Classes with fewer than four (4) boats will be combined into a mixed fleet.

13. Prizes

- 13.1. Prizes will be presented to each fleet of 7 or more boats as follows:
 - First Overall
 - Second Overall
 - Third Overall
 - First Consistency
- 13.2. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Committee.
- 13.3. Competitors will only be eligible for one prize each.

14. Disclaimer of Liability

- 14.1. Competitors participate in races entirely at their own risk. See rule 3, Decision to Race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the race.

15. General

- 15.1. If for any reason the series cannot be run as planned, the organising authority reserve the right at their discretion to modify the terms of the series including the prizes and this Notice of Race.
- 15.2. The Organiser, at their absolute discretion, always reserves the right to:
 - 15.2.1. prevent any Participant from participating in the Event if, at any time, they reasonably believe that the Participant poses a safety risk to themselves or others, or for any other reason, including but not limited to, acting in a manner which is likely to bring the organising authority into disrepute, or is likely to cause harm to participants, the organising authority's volunteers, or any other third party.
 - 15.2.2. change the format of the series for any reason including but not limited to weather, number of entries, time constraints or any unforeseen incidents.
 - 15.2.3. cancel the series if the conditions are deemed dangerous or not suitable for the racing to start or continue.
- 15.3. If the series is varied for any reason beyond the control of the organising authority it may not be rescheduled and no compensation or return of entry fees will be offered.

16. Insurance

- 16.1. Each participating competing boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000 per event or equivalent.
- 16.2. All competitors who submit the Entry Form are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover. Competitors may be required to provide details and evidence that they have such insurance in place at the time of entry.

Further Information

- 17.2 For Further information please contact Cliff Rolfe 0418 913 699 geo.metals@bigpond.com

General information

Accommodation/Camping

Camping is permitted at the yacht club. \$10 per night fee is charged. There are a lot of options for accommodation close to the club. These include caravan parks.

Volunteers

Events like this can't be run without amazing volunteers. If you or someone you know is interested in volunteering on a support boat, the start boat or for a shore-based role, please contact Cliff Rolfe.

Facilities and Catering

Friday 16th

Welcome barbeque in the evening

BYO everything, including food, drinks, plates, cutlery etc

Saturday 17th

Club gallery will be open for breakfast and lunch

Dinner will be at The Port Bouvard Recreation & Sporting Club

Numbers of people attending will be organised closer to the event

Sunday 18th

Club gallery will be open for breakfast and lunch

Sunday Presentation will be a casual sausage sizzle with finger food supplied