



# Notice of Race

## Hervey Bay Boat Club

### 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Bay to Bay Trailable Yacht Race

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May and Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2024

*Tin Can Bay to Hervey Bay Queensland Australia*



*Conducted by the Hervey Bay Sailing Club*

*Under the authority of Australian Sailing*

*On the country of the Butchulla people*

Supported by naming rights sponsor *Hervey Bay Boat Club*, major sponsors *Harken Australia* and *Evolution Sails Australia* and minor sponsors shown in the souvenir program, Australian Sailing, Queensland Sailing, kindred clubs Tin Can Bay Yacht Club and Hervey Bay Boat Club Yacht Squadron, marine rescue organizations Coast Guard Tin Can Bay, Coast Guard Sandy Strait and VMR Hervey Bay, the Queensland Government, Fraser Coast Regional Council, Gympie Regional Council, community boat owners and others.

*Please support our kindred clubs, rescue organizations and sponsors acknowledged here and in the program*

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## 1 EVENT, VENUE, HAZARDS, RISKS, SAFETY

- 1.1 **The Hervey Bay Boat Club Annual Bay to Bay Trailable Yacht Race** (Bay to Bay), conducted by the Hervey Bay Sailing Club, sailed over the Queensland Labour Day long weekend, is a two leg approximately 50nM/92km long two day Category 5 (limited rescue availability in daylight hours) race for eligible (**NoR 4**) monohull and multihull trailable yachts **through the waters of the Tin Can Inlet, Wide Bay Harbour, Great Sandy Strait and Hervey Bay Queensland** from north of Snapper Creek Tin Can Inlet to east of the Urangan Boat Harbour Hervey Bay with an overnight stop in Garrys Anchorage (Garrys) between K'gari and Stewart Island.
- 1.2 **You must accept that** you will sail entirely at your own decision and risk (**NoR 2.1 a. c.**) in the company of a large fleet of trailable yachts through the largely remote, unspoilt, truly spectacular wilderness area of the Great Sandy Marine Park including the Great Sandy Strait Ramsar Wetland Area, the K'gari World Heritage Area and the Great Sandy National Park all of which provide critical habitat to endangered resident and migratory marine turtles, dugong, birds, K'gari wongari (dingo) and marine stingers (sting rays, stone fish, jelly fish [Irukandji], octopus [blue ringed]), sharks, crocodiles, snakes, goannas, spiders, etc. The Bay to Bay is a passage race through an area remote, distant from rescue services, medical services, shops, restaurants, ships chandlery, harbours, marinas, moorings, boat ramps, etc.
- 1.3 **You must accept** the majority, but not all participants have completed the past 42 Bay to Bay adventures with not much more than minor non disabling (acceptable) adverse outcomes however, all aspects of Bay to Bay participation including but not limited to mooring, anchoring, walking to and from shore and onshore, parking, rigging, launching, retrieving, sailing, motoring in close company with other competitor, course, commercial, public boats, etc. encounters with marine and land animals, plants, reefs, rocks, rocky shores, infrastructure, natural systems of shifting narrow channels, shoals and sandbanks, wind, tides, waves, strong currents, dark unlit overnight anchorages, obstructions, landscapes and other aspects not mentioned can be hazardous, at times lethal with a high probability of (if uncontrolled, not adequately controlled) unacceptable risks of serious injury, illness, death, serious damage, loss of boat, equipment, possessions, unspecified trauma, loss for yourself, crew, families, friends, dependants, supporters, associates, other affected participants, parties etc.
- 1.4 **You, your crew, your support must accept** an inescapable responsibility, obligation to plan, implement control of, take out insurance against all hazards, risks (mentioned or not) to reduce all risk likelihood and severity to an acceptable level and to accept all adverse outcomes suffered. Boats must keep Race Control VHF 77 informed of their and others near or known to them (**'Buddy System'**) safe or otherwise progress, overnight anchorage, landfall **ensuring your race number is recorded** by race officials along the entire course including on the water sign on/off's, start, finish, rounding marks (**NoR 16, SI 9, 22**). **Assist boats** that may be in danger and immediately report to a

## 2 RULES

- 2.1 The Boat Club 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Bay to Bay Trailable Yacht Race will be governed by these rules:
- a. **Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021-2024** including AS Prescriptions with particular attention to **the Basic Principles Sportsmanship and the Rules** Competitors in the sport of sailing are governed by a body of rules that they are expected to follow and enforce. A fundamental principle of sportsmanship is that when a boat breaks a rule and is not exonerated it will promptly take an appropriate penalty or action, which may be to retire, **Environmental Responsibility** Participants are encouraged to minimize any adverse environmental impact of the sport of sailing. *The nearest sewage pump out, oil disposal station, trash disposal facility may be at the Urangan Boat Harbour* **Fundamental Rules** for Safety, Helping Those in Danger, Life-Saving Equipment and Personal Flotation Devices, Fair Sailing, Decision to Race, Acceptance of the Rules Also **Part 2** When Boats Meet **Part 3** Conduct of a race **Part 4** Other Requirements When Racing etc.;
  - b. **The International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea**, any government right of way rules replaces RRS Part 2 in times of restricted visibility and when Bay to Bay boats meet Bay to Bay boats not racing, non Bay to Bay boats, in particular through narrow channels, suggested small craft tracks, ship navigation areas, in the vicinity of navigation marks etc.;
  - c. **Australian Sailing (AS) Special Regulations (SR) 2021 Part 1** for Racing Boats Category 5 Race in daylight hours with limited rescue availability (*the HBSC cannot guarantee assistance will be available when needed*) with **particular attention to 1.02.1** responsibility for safety of a boat and its crew, the boat is fully found, thoroughly seaworthy, the crew has the experience and physical fitness to face the conditions of the race, bad weather, the soundness of hull, rudder/centreboard fittings, spars, rigging, sails and all gear, all safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed, accessible and that the crew know where it is kept and how it is to be used, nomination of a person to take over the responsibilities of the person in charge in the event of incapacitation, **1.02.2 the use of these regulations** does not in any way limit or reduce the complete and unlimited responsibility of the person in charge, **1.02.3 the responsibility for a boat's decision** to participate in a cruising event or race, or to continue racing is theirs alone.
  - d. **Boat type / class custodian rules:**
    - a. The Australian Sailing (AS) Australian Class Based Handicap (CBH) Rating System, Trailable Yachts (Type 1) and Sports Boats (Type 2);
    - b. Multihull Yacht Club Queensland (MYCQ) Offshore Multihull Rule (OMR), Multihulls (Type 3);
    - c. Class / manufacturer specifications / rules where they exist;
  - e. **The Sailing Instructions (SI).**
- 2.2 **These legislated requirements apply:**
- a. Qld Transport Operations Maritime Safety Regulations for smooth, partially smooth waters;
  - b. Qld Transport Marine Pollution Regulations for the Great Sandy Strait;
  - c. Department of Environment and Science QPWS and EPA Regulations and Warnings for the Great Sandy Marine Park and the Great Sandy National Park  
<https://parks.des.qld.gov.au/parks/great-sandy-marine/>; <https://parks.des.qld.gov.au/parks/kgari-fraser>
  - d. Department of Transport and Main Roads Maritime Safety Queensland Consent to Hold Aquatic Event and Licence to Anchor in Snapper Creek Harbour;
  - e. Queensland Recreational Boating and Fishing Guide 2019-2020.  
<https://www.marinebusinessnews.com.au/resource/queensland-recreational-boating-fishing-guide/>
  - f. Any Queensland Government Public Health Directions for Safe Events, restrictions for outdoor sport will apply. Unwell persons must stay away.
- 2.3 **These racing rules will be changed as follows:**
- a. RRS 26, 31, 35, 37, 42.3 (h) & (i), 44.1 are changed **in the Sailing Instructions**;
  - b. RRS 77 Identification on Sails is changed by **NoR 7.2 a. b.& c.**;
  - c. RRS 78 Compliance with Class Rules is changed by **NoR 6 & 7**;
  - d. Appendix **A Scoring** is changed by **NoR 12**.

## 3 ADVERTISING

- 3.1 Competitor advertising will be in accordance with **RRS 6.1**, World Sailing Regulations Advertising Code, and the **prescriptions of Australian Sailing (AS)**;
- 3.2 **Boats will be asked and be expected to** display major sponsor supplied advertising as directed;

## 4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The Bay to Bay is open to monohull and multihull trailable yachts that **agree to comply with** all of the requirements of this NoR;
- 4.2 As per RRS 46 **Every person** (skipper and crew) on board each entered boat **shall be a member of** a Club affiliated to Australian Sailing **OR** be an Australian Sailing SailPass member. Both options give every participant an Australian Sailing (AS) Number. **To become an Australian Sailing SailPass member** (there is no fee) for each person follow the link [Become a Member - Hervey Bay Sailing Club - revolutioniseSPORT](#) or <https://www.revolutionise.com.au/herveybaysc/registration/> and follow these steps - Select New Member and I have never registered for sailing before, fill in first name, last name, DOB and how you identify, then select next step in the SailPass membership box, click in the select this membership box, next screen below and continue click the 43<sup>rd</sup> Bay to Bay Radio button, and fill in the rest of the details..
- 4.3 **Particular attention is drawn to** the requirement that each boat owner, skipper, crew and supporter **will** on the submission of a boat entry, pre-race check list, registration of intention to race Saturday **agree to accept** all responsibilities, obligations to know, be guided by and obey the event rules of the **NoR** (in particular **NoR** 1, 2, 6.3, 8.2, 8.3 and the **SIs** (in particular **SI** 9, 18.2, 22).
- 4.4 **Eligible boats must enter** (by either (a) or (b) below) **and return their pre-race check list** (by email) before the close of entries **NoR** 4.6, 4.7. **Enter by** completing either:
- Online** – on the [www.herveybaysailingclub.org.au](http://www.herveybaysailingclub.org.au) website (preferred);
  - Printed entry forms (only be available in exceptional circumstances on request) from those without internet access should be returned by: email to bay2bay@herveybaysailingclub.org.au;
- 4.5 **Entries** open on the [www.herveybaysailingclub.org.au](http://www.herveybaysailingclub.org.au) website about mid February 2024 and will be;
- Acknowledged by email;
  - Assigned boat type, division, race number, ratings, bus seats and given other essential information by reply email soon after receipt of entry;
- Provisional entry lists will be posted periodically on the HBSC website from about Friday 5 April 2024 with a final entry list posted on the website about Monday 29 April 2024 with hard copies supplied at registration on Saturday 4 May 2024.
- 4.6 **Normal Entries** and bus seat reservations **with the required fee must** be received, online, email by midnight by Friday 19 April 2024. **Pre-race check list** by midnight Saturday 20 April 2024.
- 4.7 **Late Entries** and bus seat reservations **with the late entry fee must** be received, online or email by midnight Friday 26 April 2024. **Pre-race check list** by midnight Saturday 27 April 2024.

## 5 FEES

- 5.1 Race fees for all boats: **Normal Entry** - \$200 **Late Entry** - \$250 **Bus fee** \$40 per seat.
- 5.2 **Fees should preferably be paid at** time of entry by Credit Card (cash or cheque may be accepted in exceptional circumstances). **All payments must be made by** the close of entries **NoR** 4.6, 4.7.
- N.B. All bus seat bookings are** non refundable, non transferrable and **cannot be used to purchase** Bay to Bay merchandise.

## 6 CLASSIFICATION

**Entries will** be classified by the race committee into the following Boat Types, Divisions and Classes **according to the details** submitted on the entry:

- 6.1 **Boat Types:**
- Type 1** – Trailable Yacht and **Type 2** - Sports Boat - standard or open, Class (C) or One of A Kind (OAK) that meet the relevant 2.0 Definitions of the Australian Sailing (AS) Australian Class Based Handicap (CBH) Rating System for Trailable Yachts and Sports Boats;
  - Type 3** Multihulls – as per the criteria of the MYCQ and OMR rules;
- 6.2 **Divisions** must have 5 or more entries:
- Division 1: Type 2 Sports Monohull Boats (typically Egan 6, Elliott 7, Leech 650, Melges 24 , Shaw 650, Thompson 8, Spider 550);
  - Division 2: Type 1 Monohull boats - typically Austral 8, Noosa 620, RL24 DK, Ross 780;
  - Division 3: Type 1 Monohull Boats - typically Noelex 25, RL24 SK, Ross 650;
  - Division 4: Type 1 Monohull Boats - typically Careel, Farr, RL28, Sonata;
  - Division 5: Type 3 Multihulls - typically Tramp, Jar Cat, Seawind 24, Corsair, Farrier, Grainger.
- 6.3 **Classes** must have 5 or more entries - typically Careel, Elliot, Farr, Masrm, Noelex, RL, Ross.

**At all times a boat's owner and any other person in charge shall ensure that** their boat is maintained in strict compliance with the entry details supplied and the requirements of her relevant boat type custodian rules, class rules, manufacturer specifications and ratings allocated for the duration of the race **NoR 6, 7, advise race control of** any known, discovered mistakes, anomalies in the allocation of their or other boat's type, division, ratings, results, etc. (as soon as possible as per **NoR 9.2** so they can, will be corrected before final placings and prizes are published)

## 7 RATINGS AND RACE NUMBERS

7.1 **Ratings and handicaps** will be assigned as follows:

- a. **Type 1 boats and Type 2 boats** CBH from the relevant AS CBH ratings report current at close of entries and **Type 3 boats** OMR from the MYCQ validated list of OMR ratings (crew weights will need to be validated with the OMR Manager in the week leading up to the race);
- b. **Long Term Performance Based Handicaps (PBH)** will be assigned and moderated to each boat using past Bay to Bay results and other relevant information by a HBSC appointed panel;

7.2 **Race Numbers:**

- a. **All boats will be assigned** a three digit race number, **the first digit indicates** the boat's division;
- b. **The number must be** supplied by the owner and must consist of durable numbers **at least 300mm high and 40mm thick on a distinctly contrasting background of rigid material** (preferably black numerals on a light background) (cloth or cardboard background material are not acceptable). **Numbers stuck directly** on the hull bow that meet the **NoR 7.2** requirements are acceptable;
- c. **The allocated race number** must be outside the cabin, on each side of the boat, able to be read from each side of the boat, will not wash away or be obstructed by sails, rigging, hand rails, hulls, persons or heel of boat, **will be clearly visible to and easily read by** race officials and others at all times with particular attention during starting, mark rounding, finishing, in boat trailer car park, at mooring, at anchor as well as sailing to and from the course.

## 8 SCHEDULE

The Annual Bay to Bay Trailable Yacht Race schedule is:

8.1 **Friday 3 May 2024 – bus to Tin Can Bay Yacht Club** from Hervey Bay departs from near VMR Hervey Bay Buccaneer Drive Urangan Hervey Bay 6:30pm sharp

**The Tin Can Bay Yacht Club** pre-race bar, restaurant, band will open Friday afternoon and evening.

8.2 **Saturday 4 May 2024:**

- a. **Bus to Tin Can Bay Yacht Club** from Hervey Bay departs from near VMR Hervey Bay Buccaneer Drive Urangan Hervey Bay 7:15am sharp;
- b. **Registration** and Race Headquarters 0800hrs to 0945hrs - all skippers must register their intention to participate and agree to abide by the event rules and pick up their bag with Entry List, Souvenir Program (includes NoR, SI), medallion, advertising stickers, etc – at the Tin Can Bay Yacht Club;  
**The Tin Can Bay Yacht Club** pre-race restaurant will open Saturday morning 0730hrs
- c. **Competitors Meeting** at the Tin Can Bay Yacht Club at 9:15hrs, **notices will also be given by** Race Control on radio VHF 77 from about 9:30hrs;
- d. **Leg 1** from about 1015hrs to about 1600hrs with the course Race Headquarters on VHF 77;
- e. **On the water Sign On** before starting and **Sign Off** after retiring, finishing (map **NoR 16, SI 18**);
- f. **Overnight stop over** at Garrys with Race Headquarters on VHF 77 until about 1800hrs.

8.3 **Sunday 5 May 2024:**

- a. **Leg 2** from about 0600hrs to about 1530hrs with the course Race Headquarters on VHF 77 and Urangan Boat Harbour Race Headquarters on VHF 77 then in the Hervey Bay Boat Club;
- b. **On the water Sign On** before starting and **Sign Off** after retiring, finishing (map in 16, SI 18);
- c. **Results** will be posted on a Notice Board in the Hervey Bay Boat Club Urangan from about 2000hrs and thereafter on the HBSC Bay to Bay website. Bay to Bay participants are encouraged to have post race drinks and a meal in The Boat Club prior to a **trophy presentation** function commencing at The Boat Club Fraser Room at 1900hrs, the Fraser Room and bar will open at 1800hrs.

**Any boat not intending to pass any sign on, sign off either day** must advise Race Control VHF 77 of their intentions.

## 9 MEASUREMENT

- 9.1 **Each entrant is charged with the responsibility to** correctly declare on their entry and then maintain their boat type, class and measurement status described on their entry;
- 9.2 **Any person that gains knowledge of any mistake by** either themselves, the race committee or another entrant that might have occurred in the declaration, reading or understanding of boat entry details and the allocation of boat type, division, class, CBH, OMR and PBH ratings upon receiving their entry acknowledgement, advice from another party, reading a list of entries, during the event observations, from the results, etc. **is charged with the responsibility to** advise the race committee at the earliest opportunity, **preferable order** during entry period, after the close of entries, before the end of registration, at the on water sign off Saturday or Sunday, within 30 minutes after the posting of Bay to Bay race results on Sunday or at the latest 1800hrs on Monday 6 May 2024;
- 9.3 **Advice will be accepted from** a boat's representative, other entrant, interested party, club and class / manufacturer, measurer, handicapper or custodian of a rating system **about the validity of** each boat's compliance with the declared / allocated boat type, division, class, rating and results;
- 9.4 **Measurement checks** may be performed by relevant measurers;
- 9.5 **Rating and result mistakes** that adversely affect reasonable fairness of the event will be corrected;

## 10 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

**The sailing instructions will be available** for download on the HBSC website from about mid March 2024 and in the Bay to Bay Program given at the registration desk on Saturday 4 May 2024;

## 11 COURSE, LAUNCHING, MOORING, ANCHORING, RETRIEVAL, BUS SEATS

Refer to **NoR 15** Further Information and **NoR 16** Course Sketch Map and **SI 8 & 9** for more detail:

- a. **Friday and Saturday** Snapper Creek Boat Harbour launching, temporary anchoring permit area, Tin Can Bay Marina berths, bus transport from Urangan to Tin Can Bay as per 8 Schedule above;
- b. **Saturday Leg 1** - from north of Snapper Creek Tin Can Bay Inlet to the vicinity of Fig Tree Great Sandy Strait and an overnight stop over at Garrys Anchorage (southern entrance, anchoring only);
- c. **Sunday Leg 2** from Garrys Anchorage (northern entrance) to the vicinity of EU2 and on to the Urangan Boat Harbour Hervey Bay retrieval and berthing facilities (no anchoring);

**To avoid disappointment** book bus seats on entry and make changes via HBSC mobile 0467 453 819, make marina berth and car and trailer bookings yourself and make changes directly with the facility operator as early as possible. Phone numbers are provided in on the HBSC website.

**If launching at Tin Can Bay and driving car and trailer to Urangan** be sure to leave sufficient time for travel and parking so as not to miss boarding the bus to Tin Can Bay.

## 12 SCORING, RESULTS & PRIZES

- 12.1 **Results** will be calculated by applying CBH or OMR ratings and PBH handicaps to the totalled elapsed times of Leg 1 Saturday and Leg 2 Sunday with places determined by the order of elapsed and corrected times. If for any Type, Division or Class no boat finishes a leg then then only the elapsed times of the leg completed will be used;
- 12.2 **Prizes** will be awarded to eligible boats in categories (with 5 or more entries) of Boat Type, Division and Class on overall elapsed time and CBH or OMR corrected time and PBH corrected time; Various safety, racing and participation prizes may be awarded;

## 13 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

All Bay to Bay Participants (and all associated, affected persons) agree to **indemnify the Hervey Bay Sailing Club and all associated in any way with the Bay to Bay** including but not limited to sponsors, organizers, organizations, clubs, associations, government agencies, paid and volunteer workers, helpers, supporters, and all others associated with Bay to Bay planning, organizing, executing, checking, enforcing, reviewing, reporting, supporting, etc. **from any claim from any person following** any adverse outcome sustained prior to, during or after the Bay to Bay.

## 14 INSURANCE

**All participants must agree to** be responsible and accountable for ensuring they:

- a. **Obtain and carry sufficient, current** comprehensive insurance and third party personal and property insurance cover for the Bay to Bay against the very real hazards faced and very real risk said in **NoR 1, 4.3** above, elsewhere or in fact not mentioned. **By lodging an entry, the owner/charterer confirms that** the entered boat is at least covered by suitable legal liability insurance of at least AU\$10,000,000.
- b. **Participate entirely at their own risk and accept** responsibility for dealing with whatever personal or material losses that they or others may incur including those for which they may or may not be



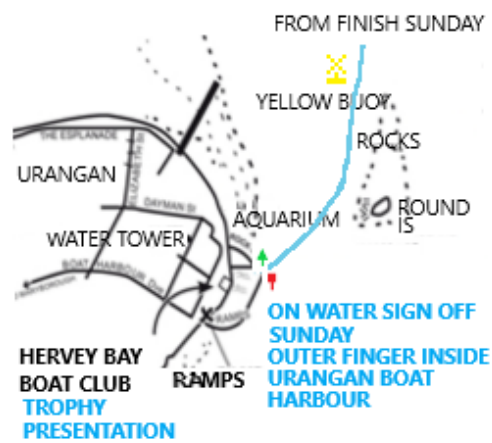
adequately insured.

## 15 FURTHER AND LATEST INFORMATION

Go to the HBSC website – [www.herveybaysailingclub.org.au](http://www.herveybaysailingclub.org.au) Home page or downloads > 43<sup>rd</sup> Bay to Bay 2024 or contact about, Non Race issues [enquiries@herveybaysailingclub.org.au](mailto:enquiries@herveybaysailingclub.org.au) or 0467 453 819 (buses, bookings), Race issues [bay2bay@herveybaysailingclub.org.au](mailto:bay2bay@herveybaysailingclub.org.au) or 0427 628 511.

## 16 COURSE SKETCH MAP

This sketch map is intended to show the area over which the event will be conducted. It should not be for navigation purposes. You must use proper and up to date charts for navigation to, through and from the course area. A water resistant sketch map should be provided in the souvenir bag at registration.



### GOVERNMENT LEGISLATION APPLIES

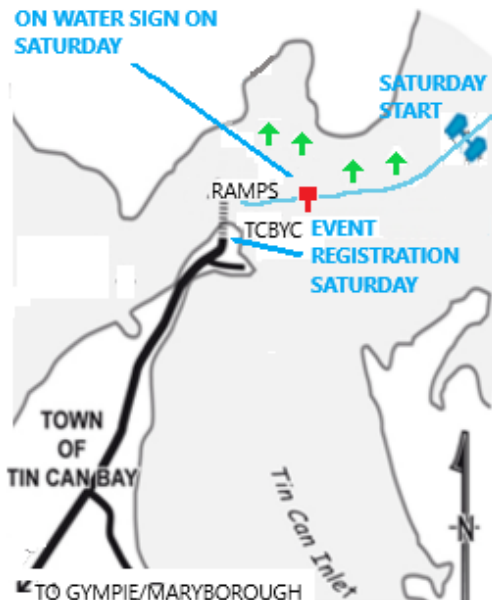
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### SEWAGE & RUBBISH

YOU MUST PLAN TO TAKE ALL SEWAGE AND RUBBISH WITH YOU BACK TO URANGAN. THERE ARE NO SEWAGE OR RUBBISH DISPOSAL FACILITIES AT GARRYS FOR BAY TO BAY PARTICIPANTS.

### SAFETY

SAFETY IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY. THIS IS A WILDERNESS AREA, YOU MUST STAY DINGO, SNAKE, CROCODILE (sea and land), GOANNA, SHARK, STONE FISH, STING RAY, ACHOHOL (and much much more) SAFE AT GARRYS AND ELSEWHERE ALONG THE COURSE (stay out of the water, do not swim, wade with caution, walk with caution)



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