

The 2010 Crown Series Bellerive Regatta

Invited Classes

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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February 27-28, 2010

- 1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY: BELLERIVE YACHT CLUB (Inc)**
- 2. RULES:** The Regatta will be governed by the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012, the Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Yachting Australia, the Rules of the relevant Classes except as any of these are changed by these Sailing Instructions.
- 3. RESPONSIBILITY:** All those taking part in the Crown Series Bellerive Regatta races do so at their own risk and responsibility. BYC are not responsible for the seaworthiness of a yacht, whose entry is accepted, or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment. Attention is drawn to Fundamental Rule 4 which states 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone'.

4. ENTRIES

Eligible boats may be entered by completing registration with the organising authority in accordance with the Notice of Race.

The Regatta is open to monohull centreboard dinghies and off-the-beach catamarans, holding a valid measurement certificate and/or class registration and as listed in the Notice of Race. All competitors must be bona fide members of the club or class association.

5. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board at the Race Centre of the Bellerive Yacht Club.

6. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board not less than 60 minutes prior to the first race on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the day before it will take effect.

Changes to Sailing Instructions may be communicated on the water. Code Flag V shall be flown to indicate that changes are being made.

7. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flag pole at the Race Centre of the Bellerive Yacht club.

Flag AP with two sound signals (one when lowered) means "The race is postponed. The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after AP is lowered."

8. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Races are scheduled as follows: There are seven (7) races scheduled over the two days with the warning signal for the first race on each day at 1000 hours. Subsequent races will be back to back.

It is the Race Committee's intention to have a break for lunch on Saturday 27 Feb only, with the timing and duration of that break being flexible depending on conditions.

The Warning Signal for back to back races is to be made not less than 5 (five) minutes after the last boat has finished the previous race. Competitors are expected to remain afloat and in the vicinity of the starting line unless a lunch break is signaled (AP over H).

On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1500 hours

9. DIVISION FLAGS

Division One	-	Sabot Class Flag (Senior Sabot)
Division Two	-	Two Sabot/Optimist Flag (Optimist, Development/Junior Sabot)
Division Three	-	Numeral Pennant Three (Heron, Mirror, Cadet)
Division Four	-	Numeral Pennant Four (Sabre, Laser 4.7, Flying 11)
Division Five	-	Numeral Pennant Five (Laser, Laser Radial)
Division Six	-	Numeral Pennant Six (NS14, 420)
Division Seven	-	Numeral Pennant Seven (Sharpie, 470, Catamaran)
Division Eight	-	Numeral Pennant Eight (B14, 29er, Foiler Moth)
Division Nine	-	Numeral Pennant Nine (Windsurfers)

10. RACING AREA

There will be two racing areas, Alpha Course and Bravo Course, located on the Derwent River in the vicinity of the entrance to Bellerive Bay and South of Rosny Point.

The Committee boat on Alpha Course will fly a blue flag when on station.

The Committee boat on Bravo Course will fly an orange flag to indicate it is on station.

Classes are assigned to racing areas as follows:

Alpha Course – Divisions 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9

Bravo Course - Divisions 1, 2, 3 and 4

11. COURSES

This diagram shows the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left. On Alpha Course, Mark 1 will be approximately 1,000 metres from Mark 4. On Bravo Course, Mark 1 will be approximately 800 metres from Mark 3.

Alpha Course



Int. 420:

Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 2 – 3 – 2 – 3 – Finish B

NS14:

Start – 1 – 2 – 4 – 1 – 4 – 1 – 2 – Finish B

Laser/Laser Radial:

Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 2 – 3 – 2 – 3 – Finish B

Sharpie, Paper Tiger:

Start – 1A – 2 – 4 – 1A – 4 – 1A – 2 – Finish A

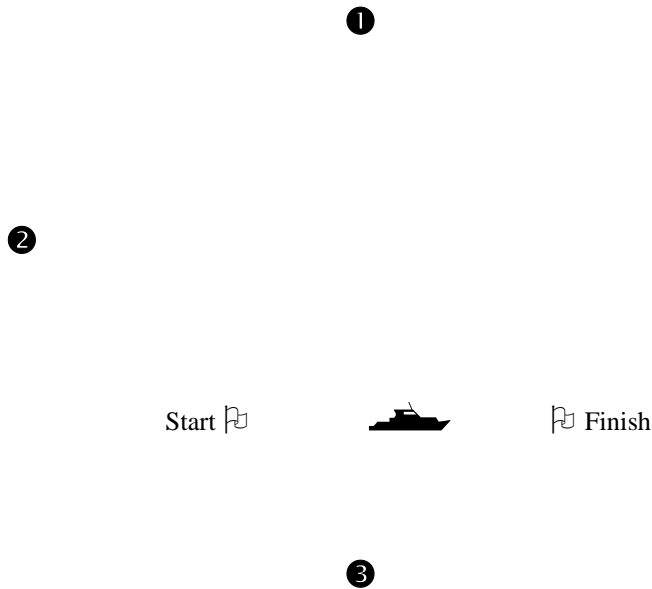
B14, 470, 29er, Foiler Moth:

Start – 1A – 4 – 1A – 4 – 1A – Finish A

Other Catamarans, Sailboard:

Start – 1A – 4 – 1A – 4 – 1A – Finish A

Bravo Course



Sabot:	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – Finish
Optimist/Development/Junior Sabot:	Start – 1 – 3 – Finish
Heron, Mirror, Cadet:	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – Finish
Flying 11:	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – 1 – 3 – Finish
Laser 4.7:	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – 1 – 3 – Finish
Sabre:	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 3 – 1 – 3 – Finish

The course length will be set to enable boats to complete the course in approximately 45 minutes.

12. MARKS

Alpha Course Marks

Marks 1, 2, 3 and 4 will be yellow triangular pyramids.
 The Start mark will be a fisherman's mark flying a orange flag.
 The Finish marks will be pink cylinders.
 Change of course mark will be an orange triangular pyramid.

Bravo Course Marks

Marks 1, 2, and 3 will be orange and white inflatables.
 The Start mark will be a fisherman's mark flying an 'O' flag.
 The Finish mark will be a yellow cylindrical inflatable.
 Change of course mark will be an orange cylindrical inflatable.

13. THE START

Races shall be started by using the following signals. Times shall be taken from the visual signals; the absence of a sound signal shall be disregarded.

<i>Signal</i>	<i>Flag and sound</i>	<i>Minutes before starting signal</i>
Warning	Division flag; 1 sound	3
Preparatory	P, I or Black ; 1 sound	2
One-minute	Preparatory flag lowered; 1 long sound	1
Starting	Division flag removed; 1 sound	0

The warning signal for each succeeding division shall be made with the starting signal of the preceding division. This changes Rule 26.

The Race Committee may choose to start two or more divisions at the same time. This will be indicated by the display of the two or more Division flags at the Warning signal.

The starting line will be between an orange staff on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end, and the starting mark at the port end.

A boat whose warning signal has not been made, shall keep clear of the starting area and of all boats whose warning signal has been made.

A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rules A4 and A5.

14. CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START

A change of course after the start will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the new mark may not then be in position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated to maintain the original course configuration. When in a subsequent change of course a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with an original mark. This changes rule 33.

15. THE FINISH

NOTE: All finish lines are separate to Start lines.

Alpha Course

Finishing line A will be between an orange staff on a Race Committee boat and the finish mark to **Port** of the Race Committee boat.

Finishing line B will be between an orange staff on a Race Committee boat and the finish mark to **Starboard** of the Race Committee boat.

Bravo Course

The finishing line will be between an orange staff on a Race Committee boat and the finish mark to **Starboard** of the Race Committee boat.

Code Flag 'L' when flown from a Race Committee boat at the Finish shall mean "Another Race will start as soon as practical." This changes Race Signals.

16. TIME LIMIT

The time limit will be 60 minutes for all Classes. Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes of the first boat in its Class or within the time limit, whichever is later, will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rule 35.

17. PROTESTS

Protests shall be delivered to the race office within 45 minutes after the time of the last boat's finish for the last race of the day.

Requests for redress involving the time sheet shall be made within 30 minutes of the posting of the sheet.

Protests will be heard in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible.

When races are sailed back-to-back, the protest time will elapse 45 minutes after the last of the back-to-back races.

Rule 44.1 is changed to permit a boat to take a 25% scoring penalty as calculated in Rule 44.3(c) during the arbitration hearing.

17.1. Protest Arbitration

17.1.1. As an alternative to the normal hearing system, the protest arbitration system will be used to the following rules:

17.1.2. For protests alleging infringements of rules of Part 2 or Rule 31, a short arbitration hearing of a maximum duration of 15 minutes will be held. This hearing will take place before a hearing with the protest committee.

17.1.3. Once the protest has been lodged at the Race Office, the arbitrator will call one representative of each boat. Witnesses are not allowed.

17.1.4. When in the arbitration a boat acknowledges her infringement, she will be given a 25% scoring penalty calculated as stated in RRS 44.3(c).

17.1.5. If as a consequence of the arbitration the protesting boat accepts that no rule was infringed in the incident, the protest will be considered withdrawn.

17.1.6. There shall be no request for redress or to reopen a hearing when the arbitrator's decision is accepted by both parties. This changes RRS rules 62.1(a), 66 and 70.1.

17.1.7. When the decision of the arbitrator is not accepted by one or more of the parties, the protest will be decided by the protest committee.

17.1.8. In order to accelerate the arbitration, protestors are requested to remain in the vicinity of the race office from the moment the protest is lodged until they are called

17.2. The arbitrator may be a member of any subsequent Protest Committee.

18. SCORING

The Low-Point Scoring System, Appendix A2 of the racing rules, will apply. Five races will constitute a series. Where six or more races are completed one score will be excluded.

19. SIGN ON, SIGN OFF

Each competitor shall personally sign on before the start of each race and sign off within one hour of the finish of the last boat in their class. Sign on and sign off sheets will be placed at the race centre. Failure to sign on will result in that boat being recorded as DNC for that race. Failure to sign off shall result in that boat being recorded as DSQ for that race. This changes Rule 63.1. Yachts sailing directly to the start area from their club or not returning to BYC and proceeding directly from the finish area to their respective clubs may sign on and off by notifying the Committee boat.

If races are sailed “back to back” competitors are required to sign on and sign off once only for the races in that back to back block. A competitor who fails to sign on for back to back races will be scored DNC for the first race only of the back to back races. A competitor who fails to sign off after the back to back races will be scored DSQ for the last race only of the back to back races.

20. **PRIZES:** The following trophies will be presented at the Regatta:

Individual Races – First, place will receive a distinctive *Ronstan – Crown Series Bellerive Regatta* Rash Vest.

Series – First, second and third place will receive prizes selected from the *Ronstan* range of merchandise. All Yachts will go into a draw for dozens of spot prizes to be presented after racing each day.