



**COMBINED CLUBS  
PULBAH SERIES  
2023-24  
NOTICE OF RACE**

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The Organising Authorities (OA) will be:

Lake Macquarie Yacht Club (LMYC), located at Ada St Belmont NSW  
Royal Motor Yacht Club Toronto (RMYCT), located at 6 Arnott St Toronto NSW

Under the authority of Australian Sailing (AS)

## 1 RULES

- 1.1 The races will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) of World Sailing 2021-24 and the Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS).
- 1.2 Appendix T will apply.
- 1.3 It is recommended that boats shall carry a VHF (minimum 5 watt) radio tuned to Channel 71.

## 2 ADVERTISING

Advertising is unrestricted as permitted by World Sailing Regulation 20.

## 3 ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 Entry is open to ballasted mono-hulled, multihull and unballasted centre board yachts that are resistant to capsize, and which shall have a current Equipment Audit Form for Category 7 or above and a minimum crew of two persons.
- 3.2 A yacht shall have current Third Party Insurance for not less than \$10 million.
- 3.3 The event is open to yachts using spinnakers, and non-spinnaker yachts.
- 3.4 All boats will display a pennant on their backstay showing which division they are racing in. (White for Div. 1, Green for Div. 2, Yellow for Div. 3 and Blue for Div. 4)

## 4 ENTRY

- 4.1 An Entry shall be lodged through the Top Yacht Entry System (TES) on-line at either LMYC or RMYCT.
- 4.2 A boat shall nominate on the on-line Entry Form if it intends using a spinnaker or not, and the nomination shall not be changed.
- 4.3 The race entry nomination shall be paid through the on line system for the amount determined by each club. Casual entries close at 2400 on Thursday before each race. Late casual entries may be received after the close date (Thursday 2400), however will not be allocated a handicap and are not eligible for results or prizes.
- 4.4 Series entries close at 2400 hours Monday before each race. Late entries for the series may be lodged after the close date. No late fees are payable, however entrants may not be allocated a handicap or be eligible for results or prizes for the day's results.
- 4.5 Series entrants for the 2023-24 LMYC, RMYCT Saturday Pointscore series are automatic entrants for this series at no cost.

## 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Heat No	Day	Date	First Warning Signal at
1	Saturday	9 Sep 2023	1315
2	Saturday	4 Nov 2023	1315
3	Saturday	10 Feb 2024	1315
4	Saturday	9 Mar 2024	1315

**NOTE:** The Races will be run conjointly with the LMYC and RMYCT Pointscores

## 6 COURSES

Courses to be sailed will be determined by the Combined Clubs Committee and shall be described in the Sailing Instructions.

## 7 SCORING

- 7.1 The races will be run on a TCF method. The fastest corrected time shall be scored first, the next fastest second, and so on.
- 7.2 The low point scoring system (refer RRS Appendix A4) shall be used. RRS Appendix A5.3 will apply
- 7.3 A total of four (4) races are scheduled with a minimum of two (2) races to constitute a series.
- 7.4 All races will be included in a yachts series score.

## 8 HANDICAPS

- 8.1 Arbitrary TCF handicaps will be allocated by the Race Committee.
- 8.2 For boats competing in the RKR 2023-24 series, the Shield handicap allocated for RKR 2023-24 race 1 will be used.
- 8.2 A boat's TCF shall be adjusted after each race in accordance with the handicapping system applied to the RKR 2023-24 series.

## 9 MODIFICATIONS TO BE NOTIFIED

- 9.1 When a yacht, its equipment or sails are modified with a reasonable expectation of improving its performance, details of such modification shall be notified to the Race Committee (RC) 48 hours before the first warning signal of the next race. No modifications will be accepted after this time.
- 9.2 The RC, on advice from the Handicap Committee, may adjust the yachts TCF without a hearing (changes RRS 63.1).

## 10 PRIZES

Prizes will be determined by the Combined Sailing Committee.

## 11 DISCLAIMER

Each competitor participates in the Combined Clubs Windward Leeward series entirely at their own risk. The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to or after the Regatta. Specific attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 3 which states: *"The responsibility for a boats decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone"*.

## 12 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND FURTHER INFORMATION.

- 12.1 Sailing Instructions will be available on the LMYC website [http://www.lmyc.com.au/site/sailing\\_instructions\\_and\\_regattas](http://www.lmyc.com.au/site/sailing_instructions_and_regattas) or an equivalent link at RMYCT by Monday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2023.
- 12.2 For further information contact LMYC sailing office at [racing@lmyc.com.au](mailto:racing@lmyc.com.au) or phone 0411 652 533.

Issued under the authority of the Combined Clubs Sailing Committee.

S Ford (LMYC Rear Commodore)

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