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RACE DATES

Date	Race Number	Event Details	Host Club
Sunday 6 February	1	Australiawide Bay Race	RQYS
Saturday 5 March	Special Event	Full Moon Social BBQ & Sail	MBTBC
Sunday 27 March	2	Nautilus Marine Bay Race	MBTBC
Saturday 2 April	Special Event	Full Moon Social BBQ & Sail	MBTBC
Sunday 17 April	3	Grotty Yachty Bay Race	WMSC
Saturday 30 April	Special Event	Full Moon Social BBQ & Sail	MBTBC
Saturday 14 May	4	Hutchinson Builders Manly to QCYC Sandgate	QCYC
Sunday 15 May	5	Hutchinson Builders QCYC Sandgate to Manly	WMSC
Saturday 27 May	Special Event	Full Moon Social BBQ & Sail	MBTBC
Saturday 4 June	6	Nandos Race Manly to Canaipa RQYS Myora Cup (TMQ, XXXX, Volvo Penta)	RQYS
Sunday 5 June	7	Nandos Race Canaipa to Manly RQYS Myora Cup (TMQ, XXXX, Volvo Penta)	RQYS
Saturday 2 July	Special Event	Full Moon Social BBQ & Sail	MBTBC
Sunday 10 July	8 & 9	Australiawide Triangles / Windward-Return	MBTBC
Sunday 14 August	10	Nautilus Marine Bay Race	WMSC
Saturday 27 August	Special Event	Full Moon Social BBQ & Sail	MBTBC
Sunday 18 September	11	Manly Hotel Bay Race	RQYS
Saturday 24 September	Special Event	Full Moon Social BBQ & Sail	MBTBC
Sunday 16 October	12	Grotty Yachty Bay Race	MBTBC
Saturday 29 October	Special Event	Full Moon Social BBQ & Sail	MBTBC
Friday 28 th October	Trophy Night	Presentation / Prize Evening	WMSC
Saturday 5 th November	Special Event	Manly Harbour Fun Race	MBTBC
Saturday 26 November	Special Event	Full Moon Social BBQ & Sail	MBTBC

**NOTE: Sailing Committee meetings held on first Tuesday of the month 7:30pm
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2011 Manly Combined Clubs Policy

MANLY COMBINED CLUBS PARTICIPATION RULES

1. To be eligible for the Manly Combined Clubs Series all boats must be on the register of one of the following clubs in 2011:
 - Moreton Bay Trailer Boat Club
 - Wynnum Manly Sailing Club
 - Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron
 - Trailer Sailor Club of Queensland
 - Multihull Yacht Club Queensland
 - Queensland Cruising Yacht Club
2. It is the responsibility of the owner/skipper to ensure that all crew competing on the boat holds a current membership of YA or equivalent membership of a yachting authority recognised by ISAF.
3. All participants intending to race shall pre-pay and register with a Season Entry or Casual Entry & YA Safety Certificate 2009 -2012 prior to racing (Entry Form & Safety Certificate available at www.manlycombinedclubsyachting.com). Failure to pay the outlined fee and/or register with a season entry and YA Safety Certificate by the third (3rd) race of the series will result in positions not being made available. Once the outlined fee and registrations are submitted results will then be made available.

RACE BRIEFINGS

1. Generally, each morning of a race a briefing will take place at the Moreton Bay Trailer Boat Club under the main deck at 0900 hours. Exceptions to this will be the QCYC Sandgate Race & Race to Canaipa weekends when the briefing will be held at 0830 hours.
2. A representative from each competing boat should attend briefings to receive advice and details of the day's race.

NOMINATIONS

3. Each boat is required to nominate with their home club as per the requirements of *Manly Combined Clubs Participation Rules* paragraph 3.
4. Nominations for Casual Entries in the series may be in writing or verbally, either in person or by radio but must be submitted to the starter at least 15 minutes prior to the start of the race. Verbal entries need to be confirmed in writing to the Sailing Committee no more than 90minutes after the last boat has finished racing on that particular race day.

RACE POSTPONEMENT AND ABANDONMENT

1. All registered skippers are required to check www.manlycombinedclubsyachting.com the night before a Manly Combined Clubs Race for updates.
2. Races will only be abandoned after careful consideration of all weather conditions and their likely impact on the course area.
3. Racing will not be started if there is a Gale Wind, Tsunami or other severe weather warning current at 0700 hours on race day.
4. Racing may be started if there is a current Strong Wind Warning depending on the final decision of the Race Committee.
5. The decision to race, postpone or abandon will not be made before 0900 hours on the day of the race unless circumstances indicate that an earlier decision would be appropriate.
6. Any decision to race, postpone or abandon racing will be made by the Race Committee.
7. Races may be cancelled after the start.
8. A decision to race on any given day does not relieve any competitor of his/her obligation under RRS Fundamental Rule 4.

RENDERING ASSISTANCE

All boats shall render assistance to another in peril whenever possible. Boats doing so who are able to rejoin the race may claim a time allowance. Where it is impracticable to rejoin the race, the skipper so inconvenienced may apply to the protest committee for redress. All applications for time allowance or redress shall be submitted in writing the protest committee as per SI 12.

RACE FEES

2011 SERIES ENTRY	
<p>All Boats \$65.00 + evidence of current YQ Membership <i>(if assistance with YQ Membership required, please speak to Sailing Committee)</i></p>	<p>Includes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11 Race Entries • One copy of the Sailing Instructions • Eligibility for end of race prizes • Eligibility for end of season trophies & prizes
<p>Members of RQYS, WMSC, MYCQ & TSC of Qld may enter through their respective club under standing arrangements.</p>	<p>Includes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11 Race Entries • One copy of the Sailing Instructions • Eligibility for end of race prizes • Eligibility for end of season trophies & prizes
2011 CASUAL ENTRY	
<p>All Boats / All Divisions / All Clubs \$10.00 per race</p>	<p>Includes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eligibility for end of race prizes • Eligibility for end of series prizes <p><i>Sailing Instructions are not provided</i></p>
<p>Sailing Instructions will cost \$10.00 per hard copy or are available to download (for free) from the website www.manlycombinedclubsyachting.com</p>	

Want to change divisions? Please contact the Moreton Bay Trailer Boat Club representative with your request



1. RULES

- 1.1 The series will be governed by the rules as defined in the current edition of *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Yachting Australia Inc. (YA)
- 1.3 Boats competing during daylight hours shall comply with YA Special Regulations Part 1, Category 5 – A completed YA Safety Inspection Sheet (YA Special Regs 2009 – 2012) must be received by your home club prior to the third race of the series.
- 1.4 Where lifelines complying with YA SR Part 1 Section 3 Rule 3.12 have not been fitted, all crew while racing shall wear a visible personal floatation device as per YA SR Part 1 Section 5.
- 1.5 Boats competing in night races shall comply with YA Special Regulations Part 1, Category 5N – A completed form must be received prior to the third race. *Crews on boats without lifelines racing at night shall wear harnesses with tethers securely attached to the boat.*
- 1.6 Each yacht, except those designated and approved to race as single handers, must carry a crew consisting of a skipper and at least one other crew person ages 18 years or older. If the crew consists of a person under the age of 18 years, the crew must be considered by the skipper to be sufficiently experience to handle the yacht single handed in the event of an emergency.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors including results will be posted on the Manly Combined Clubs website www.manlycombinedclubsyachting.com.
- 2.2 Notices to competitors may also be emailed the day before a race.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0900 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted 24 hours before it will take effect.

4. SCHEDULE OF RACES AND WARNING SIGNAL TIMES

- 4.1 The schedule of races will be as detailed on page 4 of these Sailing Instructions
- 4.2 The warning signals for racing covered by these instructions:

Fleet	Event	Warning Signal
Division 5	Manly Combined Clubs	1035
Division 1, 2 and 4	Manly Combined Clubs	1045
Division 3	Manly Combined Clubs	1055
Monohulls	Myora Cup & QCYC Sandgate Race	1100
Multihulls	Myora Cup & QCYC Sandgate Race	1030

- 4.3 An orange flag shall be used to mark one end of the starting line (signal boat). This flag will be raised with one long sound signal at least four minutes before the warning signal is displayed to alert competitors that a race will start soon. The flag shall be used as follows:
- (a) Before the first scheduled warning signal of the day (even if the starting procedure will begin on time) and,
- (b) When there has been a long postponement (more than 10 minutes) and
- (c) When more than one race will be held on the same day, the warning signal for the first race and each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable.

5. CLASS FLAGS ON START BOAT

Class Flags will be:

Fleet	Flag
Division 1	Numeral Pennant 1
Division 2	Numeral Pennant 2
Division 3	Numeral Pennant 3
Division 4	Numeral Pennant 4
Division 5	Numeral Pennant 5
All Divisions	Code Flag Q (yellow)

6. DIVISION FLAGS

All boats are required to fly the following flags:

Fleet	Flag
Division 1	White
Division 2	Orange
Division 3	Pink
Division 4	Yellow
Division 5	Green

- 6.1 All boats shall fly the coloured backstay flag provided, appropriate for their division, from the backstay or the aftermost starboard shroud whilst racing, above any sponsors flag. Boats failing to comply with this may be protested by the race committee only. This alters RRS 60.1 & 60.3

7. THE COURSES

- 7.1 Marks and Courses to be sailed are as per Appendix 1.
- 7.2 To achieve a windward start a buoy may be dropped at the normal start position and the start line moved a half mile to leeward, the Race Committee Vessel will display Code Flag "W". The Race Committee Vessel will display a Green (Starboard) or Red (Port) flag to signal the side on which boats shall leave Mark X on the first leg of a race.
- 7.3 The course will be available from MBTBC one hour prior to the scheduled time of the first warning signal of the day and will be displayed on the race committee vessel.
- 7.4 Should a subsequent weather change necessitate a course change, the Race Officer will notify the change by flying Code Flag "L" (come within hail) and displaying the new course number up to the start of the race. This may be accompanied by two sound signals. The race may be postponed until the weather settles down so that a course may be set, but 15 minutes must be allowed between the notification of a new course and the start of the race.

8. THE START

- 8.1 Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 8.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the start boat at the starboard end and a round orange inflatable buoy on the port-end starting mark.
- 8.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 8.4 A boat starting later than ten (10) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.
- 8.5 Start Line Locations
- 8.5.1 Normal Race Days – include Manly to QCYC Sandgate Race – Approx. 500m north east of the outer green lateral beacon of the Manly Boat Harbour entrance
- 8.5.2 Manly Triangles / Windward>Returns – East of Green Island
- 8.5.3 Myora Cup Race (Manly to Canaipa) – north of Thorpe Memorial Beacon
- 8.5.4 Myora Cup Race (Canaipa to Manly) – in the Vicinity of the Potts Point Green Beacon

8.5.5 Sandgate to Manly Race – in the vicinity of the Fisheries Beacon

9. THE FINISH

- 9.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the finish boat and the round orange inflatable buoy finishing mark.
- 9.2 When there is no race committee vessel on station at the finish the alternate finish line will be reached when the red outer channel mark of the Manly Harbour entrance leads bears true north and lies within 50m. In this case, yachts are required to complete a declaration form which will be available to download from the Manly Combined Clubs website. Finish declarations shall be lodged with the MBTBC Sailing Committee within 24 hours of the completion of the race and shall include the name of the yacht, skipper and the GPS derived finish time corrected to Eastern Standard Time.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

11. TIME LIMITS

- 11.1 Passage Races: The time limit for passage races will be 1700 hours
- 11.2 Triangle / Windward-Return Races: The time limit for the first race of the day will be 1300 hours and the last race of the day 1700 hours.
- 11.3 Boats failing to finish within the time limit will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rule 35, A4 and A5.

12. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 12.1 Protest forms are available from all clubs in the Manly Combined Clubs Series. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 12.2 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
- 12.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at the host club for the day in questions race beginning at the time posted.
- 12.4 Notices or protests by the race committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 12.5 Breaches of instructions 8.3, 14 and 16 will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decided. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.
- 12.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered;
 - (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.
 This changes rule 66.
- 12.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.
- 12.8 When yachts are scheduled to finish away from Waterloo Bay, a boat intending to protest shall notify the race committee vessel as soon as possible after finishing and comply with the requirements of rule 61.1. The completed protest form must then be lodged with the host club of the day in question at least 24 hours upon returning to Waterloo Bay. This changes rule 61.3.

13. SCORING

- 13.1 The worst two results for each boat in the series will be discarded. A low point system will be used as follows:
 - a. A boat, which finishes first, shall score zero points.
 - b. A boat, which finishes last, shall score 100 points.
 - c. All other boats, which correctly finish shall score points equivalent to the percentage of boats in their division that beat them.
 - d. A boat, which correctly starts but does not finish (DNF), shall score 110 points.

- e. A boat, which correctly starts but is subsequently disqualified (DISQ) shall score 120 points.
 - f. A boat, which does not start shall score 130 points.
- 13.2 In the event of a change in boat mid season, points accumulated from the previous boat will be carried forward to the new boat. Boat points will only be carried forward for a change in boat where a legal change in ownership has taken place.

14. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 14.1 Boats shall SIGN ON at least 15 minutes before the warning signal by contacting the race committee vessel on VHF Channel 72 or 27.94MHz advising the name of the boat, number of persons on board (POB) and which club(s) they are representing and receive acknowledgement.
- 14.2 When a boat has finished it shall be deemed to have SIGNED OFF.
- 14.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee on VHF Channel 72 or on 27.94 MHz as soon as possible.
- 14.4 Unless in use no part of the anchor may project forward of the bow at any time whilst racing.

15. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

16. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 16.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 16.2 The race committee boat shall keep a listening watch on VHF Channel 72 and on 27.94MHz to receive late nominations and to notify the fleet of any changes. This will be maintained from one hour prior to the start through to the completion of the race. The call sign is Manly Combined Clubs Start Boat.
- 16.3 For the Manly to QCYC Race all yachts are to report their time to MBTBC Committee on VHF 72 or UHF 27.94 after rounding the West Coffee Pot.
- 16.4 All Participating Vessels fitted with VHF Radio are to keep a radio watch on Ch 12 when approaching and crossing the entrance channel at the Coffee Pots in order that they can be communicated with by Commercial Shipping.

17. PRIZES AND PRESENTATIONS

Prizes will be given as follows:

- 17.1 Overall Season Presentation
 - IRC 1st, 2nd and 3rd
 - Division 1 1st, 2nd and 3rd
 - Division 2 1st, 2nd and 3rd
 - Division 3 1st, 2nd and 3rd
 - SMS Sport Boats 1st, 2nd and 3rd
 - Multihulls 1st, 2nd and 3rd
- 17.2 Daily Presentations
 - 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each division depending on the number of entries for that race.
 - Most Improved Boat
 - Lucky Door Prize – must be at the presentation to claim this prize.
- 17.3 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority.
- 17.4 Division prizes may not be awarded if numbers in those divisions are not sufficient.
- 17.5 Race Presentation will take place at the host club as soon as practicable after racing.

18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 18.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, 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 regatta.

19. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5m (recommended \$10m) per event or equivalent.

20. DIVISIONS

- 20.1 A minimum of three (3) entries are required to constitute a division.
- 20.2 A minimum of six (6) completed divisional races are required to gain season results.
- 20.3 The following divisions will be sailed for Yachts and Multihulls
 - IRC Overall (Div 1 & 2 only)
 - PBH Division 1
 - PBH Division 2
 - PBH Division 3
 - SMS Sports Boats Overall Division 4 (Div 1 & 2 only)
 - PBH Multihulls
- 20.4 The organising authority has the right to alter divisions at any time without notice.

21. HANDICAPS

- 21.1 At the commencement of the series handicaps shall be allocated by the handicapper taking note of the previous season's performance. New boats shall be handicapped to the highest level of their class, but may be adjusted by the race committee after three races consequent to observed performance.
- 21.2 At the beginning of the series each boat must nominate whether it will or won't be flying a spinnakers. A boat changing from a non-spinnaker to a spinnaker handicap will incur a penalty of 4% of handicap. A boat may not change from a spinnaker to a non-spinnaker handicap in the middle of a series.
- 21.3 A boat wishing to qualify for a non-spinnaker handicap may not fly a headsail classed as a spinnaker in ISAF Rule 50.4 or one where the combined length of the luff and any permanent or temporary strop exceeds the length of the forestay.
- 21.4 After each race the handicaps shall be readjusted.

22. IRC CERTIFICATES

Yachts racing in the IRC Division will not receive IRC results unless a valid certificate is on file with the RQYS Marine Sports Office. Back dated results will not be processed if an IRC Certificate is received after 10 September 2011. If a new IRC Certificate is issued to a boat, a copy must be submitted to the RQYS Marine Sports Office ASAP. Ratings will be adjusted accordingly if applicable. Please send IRC Certificates to Fax: 3393 4100 or Email: sportsadmin@rqys.com.au

23. SMS RATINGS

Sportsboats will only be eligible for the SMS Division if they hold a current SMS Rating as per the Australian Sportsboat Association website as at 5 February 2011. SMS Ratings will be amended if required when the new ratings are available. Back dated results will not be processed if a new SMS Rating is received after 10 September 2011. Any changes to ratings must be advised to Moreton Bay Trailer Boat Club Sailing Committee ASAP.

24. RESULTS

During the series results will be posted on the official website – www.manlycombinedclubsyachting.com

Manly Combined Clubs – Featured Events in 2011



Club Marine
Brisbane to Keppel Tropical Yacht Race
www.brisbanetokeppel.com



Brisbane to Gladstone
www.brisbanetogladstone.com.au



St Helena Cup
www.wmyc.org.au



Manly Harbour Fun Race
www.manlycombinedclubsyachting.com