

One-Design Ice Breaker Regatta

Saturday 2 & Sunday 3 August 2025

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Notice of Race (NoR)

An invitation is extended to owners of eligible One-Design keelboats including the International Etchells, International J70, Elliott 7 and VX One.

The Organising Authority (OA) is Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron.

The notation (NP) in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for infringing that rule. This changes RRS 60.1. (DP) denotes that a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the protest committee.

1. Rules

- 1.1 Racing will be governed by the rules, as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028 (RRS) of World Sailing, and the prescriptions and special regulations of Australian Sailing (Special Regulations) as may be amended.
- 1.2 The class rules of any one-design class or association if applicable.

2. Communication

- 2.1 The official online notice board, including race documents and results can be accessed here:
<https://app.sailsys.com.au/club/2/results/series/4664/races>
- 2.2 (DP) All boats shall carry an operating marine band VHF radio capable of receiving normal international channels. The radio shall be switched on at all times and tuned to the correct race committee frequency. The race committee intends to monitor VHF Channel 74 and communicate race information to competitors.
- 2.2 (DP) Boats are required to use the VHF radio to report retirement from racing and may use the radio to request assistance in an emergency. No other transmissions are permitted by competing yachts during each racing day from their warning signal until the completion of their race.

3. Eligibility

- 3.1 All boats shall have a valid Australian Sailing (AS) Special Regulations Category 7, or higher, Equipment Audit Form from. In addition, all boats which do not have navigation lights permanently fitted are required to comply with AS Special Regulations 3.23.4 and carry portable navigation lights capable of being attached to the boat.
- 3.2 Entries close 1000 hours Friday 1 August 2025. No late entries will be accepted.

4. Entry

- 4.1 The regatta entry fee is \$150.00 (including GST). No casual entries will be accepted.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter through the RSYS website homepage or this link:
<https://app.sailsys.com.au/club/2/entry/series/4664/pricing>

5. Advertising

- 5.1 All races governed by this notice of race are subject to the advertising code as set out in World Sailing Regulation 20 (World Sailing Advertising Code) and any restrictions stated in class rules.

6. Schedule of Races

- 6.1 Saturday 2 and Sunday 3 August 2025.
- 6.2 There are six (6) races scheduled for the series with up to three (3) races sailed each day.
- 6.3 The first scheduled warning signal will be no earlier than 0900 hours on each day.

7. Classes

- 7.1 One-design classes may be eligible for their own 'start' if a minimum of six (6) entries have been received by the closing date of entries.
- 7.2 The OA may amalgamate classes or cancel any class if a minimum of six (6) entries have not been received by the closing date of entries. In the event a class is cancelled, boats that have entered will have the option of transferring to another class (if eligible) or having their entry fee refunded.

8. Sailing Instructions

- 8.1 Sailing instructions can be downloaded from the Entries and Results link on the RSYS website from seven (7) day prior to the event.

9. Racing Area

- 9.1 Racing shall be conducted on Port Jackson, Sydney Harbour.

10. Courses

- 10.1 Courses will be windward/leeward as described in the sailing instructions.

11. Penalty System

- 11.1 For all Classes RRS 44.1 is amended so that the penalty for breaking a rule of Part 2 shall be a One-Turn Penalty (one tack and one gybe in the same direction) and applies to infringements against other boats of the same class, except that for infringements occurring within the Zone as defined in the RRS the penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty (two tacks and two gybes in the same direction). For infringements against any boat in another race the Two-Turns Penalty applies.

12. Scoring

- 12.1 Scoring System - the Low Point System, RRS Appendix A, applies including the provisions of RRS Appendix A5.2 with the following amendments;
- 12.2 A boat shall drop anyone (1) race, except if four (4) or less races are completed, no score will be discarded.
- 12.3 Three (3) completed races are required to constitute a series.

13. Sail Numbers

- 13.1 Sail numbers shall comply with RRS 77 and the AS Prescription to RRS Appendix G which require sail numbers to be of a contrasting colour to the body of the sail and clearly legible. Boats infringing this rule may not be recorded as a finisher and such boats will be scored DNF.
- 13.2 A boat shall sail under the sail number advised when entering and shall display identical sail numbers on its sails. Where the RRS require spinnakers to display sail numbers, they shall be the sail numbers stated when entering.
- 13.3 The use of any sail displaying a different number shall be notified to the Sailing Office not later than two (2) hours before the start of the race.
- 13.4 (DP) A boat which displays an incorrect sail number and which has not notified the Sailing Office in accordance with clause 13.3 may be subject to protest by the race committee.

14. Responsibilities

- 14.1 **Risk Warning** - The OA advises owners, skippers and anyone who participates in yachting events conducted by the OA that participation in the sport of yachting, whether racing or otherwise, can be dangerous and can result in harm, personal injury and property damage. The OA is not responsible for any harm or injury suffered by any person in any yachting event of whatever nature conducted by the OA. All participants acknowledge that competing in yachting events may be dangerous and may result in harm or personal injury and they participate in such events aware of such dangers and voluntarily accept any risk of harm.
- 14.2 **Competitors' Declaration** - It is the responsibility of owners and skippers to ensure that each boat nominated complies with the 'rules' as defined in the RRS. The owner or person who enters the boat declares to the OA that the nominated boat will at all times while racing comply with the requirements of Australian Sailing, this notice of race and the sailing instructions and that the owner or person who enters the boat:

- (a) warranting to the OA that he or she will draw the attention of any person who competes on the boat the subject of the entry in any event conducted by the OA to the risk warning above, and
- (b) acknowledging receipt of the risk warning above and releasing the OA from any claim or liability whatsoever for any harm or personal injury suffered by him or her in any event conducted by the OA.

14.3 Disclaimer of Liability

- (a) All those taking part in these races do so at their own risk and responsibility. Specific attention is drawn to RRS 3 which states; "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone". The OA, sponsors, respective class associations, the race committee and other race officials are not responsible for any damage or injury either afloat or ashore.
- (b) The organising authority, sponsors, respective class associations, the race committee and other race officials are not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.
- (c) All those taking part in these races are reminded of their obligations as set out in the Australian Sailing Special Regulations clause 1.02 Owner's Responsibility of the Person in Charge.

15 Other Instructions

- 15.1 Skippers and crew are required to be appropriately dressed at all times while racing. The minimum standard of dress is shorts and T-shirt.
- 15.2 Competitors' attention is drawn to Appendix 5 – NSW RMS Requirements, as posted on the RSYS website, which outline the reporting of incidents involving injuries to any person or damage to boats.
- 15.3 The RSYS encourages sustainable racing by avoiding: single use water bottles, printing race documents, one off race promotion materials etc.
- 15.4 The RSYS provides water bottle refilling stations and recycling bins on the hardstand area.

16. Insurance

- 16.1 Boats shall have adequate current third-party property liability insurance cover and third-party personal liability insurance cover of not less than \$10,000,000 for each separate incident. All insurance shall be maintained during the period of racing, and it is the owner's responsibility to ensure a current Certificate of Currency is lodged.

17. Rights to Use Name and Likeness

- 17.1 In participating in these events, a competitor automatically grants to the OA and the sponsors of these events the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition for the said events in which the competitor participates, and all material related to the said events without compensation

18. Prizes

- 18.1 Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the OA at the conclusion of the regatta.

19. Hardstand and Pond (Marina) Access

- 19.1 The RSYS has limited hardstand storage facilities. Visiting boats may apply, in writing, seven (7) days **prior** to the event, and request a spot to store a road trailer. Trailer storage is very limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis if a spot is available.
- 19.2 The RSYS has limited overnight Pond/Marina space available. Visiting boats must book and receive confirmation at least **24 hours prior** to arriving at the club to ensure a berth is available.
- 19.3 Hardstand and Pond bookings - please forward a request to rob@rsys.com.au

20. Regatta Office

Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron Sailing Office, situated at
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