

Royal Port Nicholson Yacht Club

2016 Moore Wilson Winter Series

18 June – 13 August 2016

Two Handed PHRF and Classic Yacht Notice of Race

The Organising Authority is the Royal Port Nicholson Yacht Club Incorporated (RPNYC)

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1. Rules

General and Safety Rules

- 1.1 The Series will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing along with the Wellington Regional Council Navigation and Safety Bylaws.
- 1.2 For the purposes of the preamble to Part 2 of the Racing Rules of Sailing, the government right-of-way rules include Maritime Rule Parts 22 and 91, and the Wellington Regional Navigation and Safety Bylaws, to the extent that they provide for right-of-way.
- 1.3 Compliance with Safety Regulations:
 - (a) All boats shall comply with Part II of the Yachting New Zealand (YNZ) Safety Regulations, Category 5 upgraded to include a VHF transceiver, bosun's chair, and Wellington Harbour Chart NZ 4633.
 - (b) Alternatively, trailer yachts may comply with Part V of the YNZ Safety Regulations, Category C upgraded to include a VHF transceiver, at least 10 litres of fuel, and Wellington Harbour Chart NZ 4633. In addition, YNZ Safety Regulations Part V paragraphs 2.1-2.5 will apply to trailer yachts.
 - (c) Alternatively, sports boats may comply with Part VI of the YNZ Safety Regulations, Category A upgraded to include a waterproof VHF transceiver (or a VHF transceiver in a waterproof bag), one "First aid kit - basic" (as described in the YNZ Safety Regulations Appendix "A"), at least 5 litres of fuel, and Wellington Harbour Chart NZ 4633. In addition, YNZ Safety Regulations Part V paragraphs 2.1-2.5 will apply to sports boats.
- 1.4 Boats must carry a serviceable inboard or outboard engine and propeller capable of driving the yacht in smooth water at a speed exceeding $\sqrt{LWL(m)} \times 3.28$ knots.
- 1.5 There shall be a moving prohibited zone extending to 100m astern and 100m to each side, and continuing at such width to 500m ahead, of every vessel larger than 500 GRT.
- 1.6 Crew shall wear lifejackets at all times, unless the person-in-charge of the yacht considers that conditions are such that there is no significant increase in the risk to safety to any person through not wearing a lifejacket, and expressly gives permission for lifejackets not to be worn.
- 1.7 Yachts and crew shall comply with any guidelines published by the Race Committee regarding the wearing of lifejackets.
- 1.8 Safety and/or Membership checks of any boat may be made at any time.
- 1.9 Boats shall have no more than two people aboard at all times while racing in the Two Handed Division.
- 1.10 PHRF certificate compliance measurement may be conducted at any time.

Changes to Racing Rules

- 1.11 Racing rules will be changed as follows. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
- (a) Yachts with lifting keels shall have keels locked in the down position and not moved whilst racing. This changes rule 51.
 - (b) Yachts with movable ballast, in the form of a canting keel or water ballast, may move that ballast to increase or decrease weight, or to change trim or stability. This changes rule 51.
 - (c) Rule 52 shall not apply to the adjustment of a canting keel or water ballast.
 - (d) For protests where only a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 is alleged to have been broken, an arbitration hearing may be offered prior to any formal protest hearing.

2. Advertising

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

3. Eligibility and Entry

Eligibility

- 3.1 The series is open to all self-righting monohull yachts.
- 3.2 To be eligible to compete, each entrant and crew member shall be a financial member of a club recognised by the entrant and crew member's national authority.

Entries

- 3.3 Yachts must enter on the RPNYC website.
- 3.4 Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee.

4. Fees

- 4.1 Required fees are as follows:
- (a) For boats who have entered the 'Fully Crewed' Moore Wilson's Winter Series the entry fee shall be \$25.00 per boat.
 - (b) For boats who have not entered the 'Fully Crewed' Moore Wilson's Winter Series the entry fee shall be \$75.00 per boat.
 - (c) The late entry fee for boats shall be an additional \$25.00 per boat.

5. Schedule

- 5.1 Five races are scheduled for the series.
- 5.2 The schedule of events is:

<i>Event</i>	<i>Scheduled Date</i>	<i>Warning Signal</i>
Race Day 1	18 June 2016	1215hrs
Race Day 2	2 July 2016	1215hrs
Race Day 3	16 July 2016	1215hrs
Race Day 4	30 July 2016	1215hrs
Race Day 5	13 August 2016	1215hrs

- 5.3 When a race is postponed to another day, it will be raced on the scheduled date for the next race or reserve day, and the subsequent races will be rescheduled accordingly. Races will be numbered consecutively in the sequence in which they are conducted and completed.

6. Measurements

- 6.1 Each boat wishing to be scored on PHRF shall hold a valid PHRF certificate before the warning signal for Race Day 1.

7. Sailing Instructions

- 7.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available on the RPNYC website (www.rpnyc.org.nz) on or before 15 June 2016.

8. Venue

8.1 All races will be held within Wellington harbour as marked on chart NZ4633.

9. Courses to be Sailed

9.1 The course to be sailed for each race shall be Harbour courses.

10. Scoring

Divisions & Scoring

10.1 The Two Handed Division will be scored on PHRF only. The Classic Yacht Division shall be scored on general handicap only.

10.2 A boat shall be eligible for the Classic Yacht Division if she was built prior to 1940 or to a pre-1940 design using traditional materials and methods. The Race Committee may, where appropriate and its discretion, permit other boats to join the classic yacht division.

10.3 A division or race will not be scored unless two or more boats start in that section or race.

10.4 The General Handicap for the Classic Yacht Division will be a formula-derived performance handicap that adjusts after each race based on the performances for that race and the prior races, if any.

Series

10.5 One race will be required to be completed to constitute a series.

10.6 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

10.7 When 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

11. Support Boats

11.1 Support boats shall not be allowed.

12. Radio Communication

12.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

13. Prizes

13.1 The Organising Authority may award prizes and/or trophies.

13.2 Prizes if any, for individual races will be awarded at RPNYC after racing each day. In order to receive any prize, the owner or usual person in charge must be present.

13.3 Prizes and/or trophies, if any, for the series will be awarded at RPNYC after racing on the last day of racing of the Moore Wilson's Winter Series. The Organising Authority may reallocate prizes if the prize-winner is not present when the prize is announced.

13.5 Prize giving will be held approximately 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.

14. Disclaimer of Liability

14.1 Competitors participate in all races entirely at their own risk. Refer to rule 4. 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 race.

15. Insurance

15.1 Each boat that races shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$250,000.00 per event, or the equivalent.

16. Further Information

16.1 For further information, please visit www.rpnyc.org.nz/winter-series.