

**Royal Port Nicholson Yacht Club**  
**2016 Moore Wilson Winter Series**  
**19 June – 28 August 2016**  
**Fully Crewed 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 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 sports boats.
  - (d) Alternatively, E6 class yachts may comply with the following:
    - (i) Crew members shall wear buoyancy vests or lifejackets in good repair properly secured about their persons and complying with YNZ Safety Regulations of Sailing appendix 4, at all times while afloat;
    - (ii) Boats shall carry an operable, waterproof VHF radio;
    - (iii) Boats shall collectively provide a dedicated rescue vessel, which shall carry a suitable first aid kit, and be crewed by a minimum of two crew.
- 1.4 E6 class yachts may enter and compete at the Race Committee's discretion. The Race Officer may direct E6 class boats not to compete. A decision to allow or prevent the E6 yachts competing shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).
- 1.5 Boats complying with 1.3(a), (b) or (c) 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.
- 1.6 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.
- 1.7 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.

1.8 Yachts and crew shall comply with any guidelines published by the Race Committee regarding the wearing of lifejackets.

1.9 Safety and/or Membership checks of any boat may be made at any time.

#### IRC and PHRF Rules

1.10 The IRC Rules 2016 Parts A, B, and C shall apply to boats competing under IRC.

1.11 IRC rules 22.4.1 and 22.4.2 shall not apply.

1.12 IRC and/or PHRF certificate compliance measurement may be conducted at any time.

#### Changes to Racing Rules

1.13 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 regatta 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 Boats must enter on the RPNYC website.

3.4 Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee.

## **4. Fees**

4.1 Boats entering the fully crewed winter series only shall pay \$75.00.

4.2 Boats entering both the fully crewed winter series and either the Classic Yacht Winter Series or the Two Handed Winter Series shall pay \$100 to enter both events.

## **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	3 July 2016	1215hrs
Race Day 3	17 July 2016	1215hrs
Race Day 4	31 July 2016	1215hrs
Race Day 5	14 August 2016	1215hrs
Reserve Day 1	21 August 2016	1215hrs
Reserve Day 2	28 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 or IRC shall hold a valid certificate no later than 2 hours before the warning signal on any race day.
- 7. Sailing Instructions**
- 7.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available on the RPNYC website ([www.rpnyc.org.nz](http://www.rpnyc.org.nz)) on or before 15 June 2016.
- 8. Venue**
- 8.1 All races will be held within Wellington harbour.
- 9. Courses to be Sailed**
- 9.1 Windward-leeward, triangle and/or harbour courses may be sailed.
- 10. Scoring**
- 10.1 Races will be scored on PHRF, General Handicap and IRC.
- 10.2 The Organising Authority may split boats into divisions or sections.
- 10.3 A division, section or race will not be scored unless two or more boats start in that section or race.
- 10.4 One race will be required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 10.5 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 10.6 When 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 10.7 The General Handicap 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.
- 10.8 A boat will not receive a race score on PHRF or IRC before the date of issue on any valid handicap or rating certificate.
- 11. Prizes**
- 11.1 The Organising Authority may award prizes and/or trophies
- 11.2 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.
- 11.3 Prizes and/or trophies, if any, for the series will be awarded at RPNYC after racing on the last day of racing. The Organising Authority may reallocate prizes if the prize-winner is not present when the prize is announced.
- 11.4 Prize giving will be held approximately 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
- 12. Disclaimer of Liability**
- 12.1 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.
- 13. Insurance**
- 13.1 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.
- 14. Further Information**
- 14.1 For further information, please visit [www.rpnyc.org.nz/winter-series](http://www.rpnyc.org.nz/winter-series).