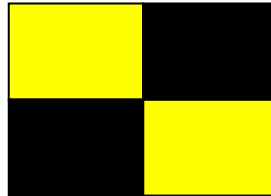




Royal Port Nicholson Yacht Club

2024-2025 Inshore Championship

Alan Martin Series



Notice to Competitors – NTC04

Fitzroy Bay Race

This NTC is to detail the requirements and intentions for the Fitzroy Bay Race scheduled for 2nd November 2024.

Rules

1 PredictWind GPS Tracking

Each yacht must use the PredictWind GPS Tracking service.

(a) Prior to the start, each yacht must:

- (i) test that the PredictWind GPS Tracking service is operating;
- (ii) check that the battery level is sufficient; and
- (iii) contact the Race Committee on VHF channel 62 to confirm that tracking signals are being received.

2 A yacht that fails to use the PredictWind GPS Tracking service may be protested by the Race Committee.

This confirms **SI 4.3 Code of Conduct**

Warning Signal

1 The Warning Signal will be at **09:55**

This amends the time as notified in the 2024-2025 Chronology of Races and Club Calendar of Events.

Courses

1 The courses are:

- 1 *SR – VM (Sinclair Head) – VM (Baring Head) –FR*
- 2 *SR – VM (Baring Head) – VM (Sinclair Head) –FR*
- 3 *SR –VM (Island Bay) – VM (Baring Head) –FR*
- 4 *SR –VM (Baring Head) – VM (Island Bay) –FR*

The course number shall be displayed below the start box window and communicated to the fleet on VHF Channel 62.

Marks

1 VM (Sinclair Head) is a line of longitude at 174° 43' E (due south from Sinclair Head). Yachts shall cross this line at any latitude from east to west before proceeding to the next mark.

- 2 VM (Baring Head) is a point at 41° 24' S, 174° 51.25' E. Yachts are not required to go around the mark, instead, they shall sail to a point that is both south and east of the mark before proceeding to the next mark.
- 3 VM (Island Bay) is a line of longitude at 174° 46.5' E (due south from the eastern side of Taputeranga Island). Yachts shall cross this line at any latitude from east to west before proceeding to the next mark.
- 4 Please take a photo of your GPS/Chart plotter and put on WhatsApp inshore group to show you passed the required Virtual Marks. Please make sure your GPS is set to degrees, minutes, and decimals of minutes for an accurate longitude crossing.
 - (a) A yacht that fails to provide photos as described above may be protested by the Race Committee.

Shortening Course

- 1 In addition to SI 15.1, the Race Committee may shorten a race by signalling a shortened course (display flag S with two sounds), the finishing line will be:
 - (a) At a suitable point between a mark of the course and either the next mark, or the published finish line. For example – Mark 7 (Moaning Minnie), Mark 6 (Leading Light), Mark 10 (Falcon Shoal).
- 2 The shortened course finish line will be advised over VHF channel 62 prior to the first boat finishing the course.

This amends **RRS 32.2**

Finish Window:

- 1 If the Race Committee uses any of courses 1-4, the Finishing Window is removed. This changes the times shown in Sailing Instructions Inshore Series 2024-2025 SI 17.1 Time Limits and Cut-Off Time.

Recording Finishing Times:

- 1 SI 17.5 Is amended to allow the Race Committee to request boats in the fleet to record their own finishing times. This removes the requirement for this request to only apply to boats finishing within 60 minutes of the published cut-off time as published in SI 17.4
- 2 Finish times are to be recorded via GPS time and sent to the Race Committee via the Inshore WhatsApp channel within 60 minutes of finishing the course.

Race Committee

28th October 2024