



SAIL PORT STEPHENS 2019

Incorporating
COMMODORES CUP CRUISING SERIES
NSW IRC CHAMPIONSHIPS
NSW SUPER 12 CHAMPIONSHIPS
PORT STEPHENS TROPHY

8th – 14th April 2019

1. Invitation

The Corlette Point Sailing Association, the organising authority, invites entries from owners and charterers of suitable boats to race on the waters of Port Stephens and surrounding waters of Port Stephens between 8th and 14th April 2019.

Sail Port Stephens comprises Commodores Cup Cruising events sailed 8th to 10th April 2019 and Port Stephens Trophy events, NSW IRC Championships and NSW Super 12 Championship sailed on 12th to 14th April 2019.

2. Rules

- 2.1 The races shall be governed by the rules as defined in the 2017 – 2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) of World Sailing (WS), Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS), the current IRC rule (parts A, B & C) where applicable, the class rules of each class, all as modified by the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.2 Protest mediation hearings may be conducted as outlined in the Sailing instructions.
- 2.3 Boats not racing in an IRC Class shall request permission from the Race Committee to use movable and/or variable ballast for the purpose of increasing stability. Any such request must be accompanied by full details of the system involved, and any such system will be taken into account in establishing the yacht's handicap. Stored power may be used for the operation of movable ballast systems. RRS 51 and 52 are modified to the extent required by this paragraph.
- 2.4 RRS 55 is amended by adding the following sentence to the rule: 'However, discarding elastic, cotton, wool or any other biodegradable material when setting a sail is permitted.'

3. Classes & Handicaps

- 3.1 The event will be sailed in separate classes as follows:

Class	Event	Handicap System
IRC Class	NSW Championships	IRC
TP 52 Class	Port Stephens Trophy	IRC
Super 12	NSW Championships	PHRF
Farr 40 OD Class	Port Stephens Trophy	No Handicap (scratch)



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Performance Racing Class	Port Stephens Trophy	Performance Handicap (PHS)
Performance Cruising Class	Port Stephens Trophy	Performance Handicap (PHS)
Trailable Yachts Class	Port Stephens Trophy	Performance Handicap (PHS)
Cruising Class	Commodores Cup	Performance Handicap (PHS)
Cruising Non-Spinnaker Class	Commodores Cup	Performance Handicap (PHS)
Jeanneau Class (Spinn & Non-Spinn)	Commodores Cup	Performance Handicap (PHS)

- 3.2 The organising authority may alter, amalgamate or divide any class and may add classes as required. The organising authority may cancel any class if fewer than seven (7) entries have been received by the closing date. In this event, boats that have entered will have the option of transferring to another class (if eligible) or having their entry fee refunded.
- 3.3 Ratings (TCC) for IRC will be obtained from IRC rating certificates.
- 3.4 Performance Handicap class results will be decided by the application of Time Correction Factor (TCF) as a multiplier of elapsed times. The TCF will be determined by the Race Committee and will not be subject to request for redress (amends RRS 60.1 and 62).

4. Eligibility

- 4.1 All boats shall be well found and in a seaworthy condition.
- 4.2 IRC boats shall hold a valid IRC rating certificate at the time of the races. Boats shall submit a copy of their certificate prior to the commencement of racing, and no alteration to the certificate will be permitted after that time, except as a result of a rating protest or to correct rating errors.
- 4.3 IRC boats shall have an IRC TCC greater than 0.940. The Race Committee may amend this limit if required.
- 4.4 TP 52 Class shall hold a valid IRC certificate at the time of the races.
- 4.5 Farr 40 OD Class shall comply to the current Farr 40 OD Class rules and will be scored on scratch placings (no handicaps applied).
- 4.6 Trailable Yachts Class will be yachts that are able to be trailed, launched and retrieved on a road-legal trailer and will be handicapped by the Handicap Committee.
- 4.7 Super 12 boats will be high performance PHRF Rated boats between 9.1 m to 12.2m with fixed or retractable bow sprits.
- 4.8 Performance Racing Class, Performance Cruising Class, Cruising Class and Cruising Spinnaker Class boats shall be less than 30 m LOA and will be handicapped by the Race Committee.
- 4.9 Yachts not having sail numbers will be required to carry identification numbers on the hull which will be provided by the Race Committee.
- 4.10 The owner or charterer of a boat entered in Sail Port Stephens 2019 shall hold a marine legal liability insurance policy with respect to the boat, current when racing and not racing, with an adequate sum insured of not less than AUD\$10 million (or its equivalent in another currency). The policy will state that the boat is covered for races in which it is participating or that it is covered for races of a length greater than the length of the race in which it is participating. The policy will be in effect throughout Sail Port Stephens 2019.
- 4.11 All boats shall have at least two crew over the age of eighteen (18) years of age at the start of the regatta.

5. Safety

- 5.1 The following AS Special Regulations (SR) Part 1 Categories shall apply:





Class	Category
IRC Class	5
TP 52 Class	5
Farr 40 OD Class	5
Super 12 Class	5
Performance Racing Class	5
Performance Cruising Class	5
Trailable Yachts Class	7
Commodores Cup Cruising Class	5
Commodores Cup Cruising Non-Spinn Class	5
Jeanneau Class	5

5.2 All boats shall submit a current AS Special Regulations Compliance Form with her entry.

6. Entries

6.1 Entries to be made online at the Sail Port Stephens website (www.sailportstephens.com) and will be received no later than 1700 hrs Thursday 28th March 2019.

CLASS	Entry Fee (AUS\$)	Additional Late Fees
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Commodores Cup 8 th - 10 th April		
Commodores Cup Cruising Divisions	\$340.00	\$80
Commodores Cup Cruising Non-Spinnaker	\$340.00	\$80
Jeanneau Class	\$340.00	\$80

Port Stephens Trophy 12 th - 14 th April		
Performance Racing	\$340.00	\$80
Performance Cruising	\$340.00	\$80
TP 52 Series	\$340.00	\$80
Farr 40 OD	\$340.00	\$80
NSW IRC Championships	\$340.00	\$80
Trailable Yachts Series	\$340.00	\$80
NSW Super 12 Championships	\$340.00	\$80

Sail Port Stephens Overall (includes Commodores Cup and Port Stephens Trophy)	\$490.00	\$80
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6.2 The Race Committee may receive entries after the closing date with an additional fee. Please note: **The Entry Fee does not include berthage** (see NoR 13)

7. Sailing Instructions



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7.1 It is the intention to have Sailing Instructions available on the event web site from Monday 1st April 2019. Printed copies will be provided to all competitors at registration.

8. Schedule of Events

Commodores Cup		
Date	Class	Event
Monday 8 th April	Cruising & Non Spinn Jeanneau Class	Registration from 0900hrs (Regatta HQ)
		Race 1
Tuesday 9 th April	Cruising & Non-Spinn Jeanneau Class	Race 2
Wednesday 10 th April	Cruising & Non Spinn Jeanneau Class	Race 3
		Presentation of trophies at Regatta Headquarters

Port Stephens Trophy & NSW Championships		
Date	Class	Event
Thursday 11 th April	All Classes	Registration from 1300hrs (Regatta HQ)
Friday 12 th April	All Classes	Registration from 0830hrs (Regatta HQ)
	NSW IRC Championships	Races 1, 2 & 3
	TP 52 Series	Races 1, 2 & 3
	Farr 40 OD Series	Races 1, 2 & 3
	NSW Super 12 Championships	Race 1
	Performance Racing	Races 1, 2 & 3
	Performance Cruising	Race 1
	Trailable Yachts	Race 1
Saturday 13 th April	NSW IRC Championships	Race 4 Passage
	TP 52 Series	Race 4 Passage
	Farr 40 OD Series	Race 4 Passage
	NSW Super 12 Championships	Races 2, 3 & 4
	Performance Racing	Races 2, 3 & 4
	Performance Cruising	Passage Race 2
	Trailable Yachts	Passage Race 2
Sunday 14 th April	NSW IRC Championships	Races 5 & 6
	TP 52 Series	Races 5 & 6





	Farr 40 OD Series	Races 5 & 6
	NSW Super 12 Championships	Race 5
	Performance Racing	Race 5
	Performance Cruising	Race 3
	Trailable Yachts	Race 3
	Presentation of trophies at Regatta Headquarters	

On the last day of scheduled races, no warning signal will be made after 1500 hrs. The Race Committee may make changes to this schedule at any time.

9. Scoring System

- 9.1 The scoring system will be the Low Points System, RRS Appendix A, except all race scores will count if five races or less are sailed. One completed race will constitute a series.

CLASS NAME	No. Races
Commodores Cup Cruising	3
Commodores Cup Cruising Non-Spinn	3
Jeanneau Class	3
NSW IRC Championships	6
TP 52 Series	6
Farr 40 OD Series	6
NSW Super 12 Championships	5
Performance Racing	5
Performance Cruising	3
Trailer Yacht Series	3

10. Conditions of Entry

- 10.1 By lodging an entry, the owner/charterer agrees to be bound by all the rules and conditions of the races.
- 10.2 By lodging an entry, the owner/charterer acknowledges the possibility of and accepts the risks associated with (a) the perils of the sea; (b) the seaworthiness or otherwise of any yacht participating in Sail Port Stephens 2019; (c) the participation, including negligent participation, by all persons in Sail Port Stephens 2019, including participation as owner, charterer, crew person, official, race organiser or otherwise; (d) the defaults, acts and omissions, of Corlette Point Sailing Association and its officers, and the crews of all yachts.
- 10.3 By lodging an entry, the owner/charterer acknowledges and accepts that Corlette Point Sailing Association (a) does not and cannot control, diminish or affect the perils of the sea; (b) does not certify, or carry out inspections with respect to the seaworthiness or suitability to race of any yacht; (c) is not in a position to provide advice, assistance or support to yachts and crews during the course of a race.
- 10.4 By lodging an entry, the owner/charterer agrees that the entered yacht is covered by suitable legal liability insurance of at least AU\$10,000,000 (or foreign currency equivalent), valid for racing, and current for the duration of Sail Port Stephens 2019.
- 10.5 By lodging an entry, the owner/charterer agrees that: (a) it is a fundamental condition of entry that he/she releases, holds harmless and indemnifies Corlette Point Sailing Association, its office bearers, servants, agents and members and the sponsors of Sail Port Stephens 2019 from all liability any of those persons has to the owner/charterer or any crew





member on the owner/charterer's yacht, or to any person claiming through or under any such person arising from loss or damage howsoever caused, including negligent act or omission, arising out of or relating to: (i) participation by the owner/charterer's yacht or any other yacht in a race; (ii) the conduct or course of the race in any respect including, without limitation, any act or omission (whether reasonably foreseeable or not) causing or relating to loss of or damage to any yacht or the death or injury of any person; or (iii) any of the matters referred to in the paragraphs above; (b) participation by the yacht and by the crew Sail Port Stephens 2019 is agreed by Corlette Point Sailing Association on the basis that participation is entirely at the risk of the owner/charterer and each member of the crew on the owner/charterer's yacht; (c) the owner/charterer will provide each crew member or proposed crew member with a copy of the Entry Form including these Conditions of Entry.

10.6 By lodging an entry, the owner/charterer gives absolute right and permission for any photographs and/or video footage of the boat and crew to be published in any media for any editorial, publicity or advertising purposes.

11. Prizes and Trophies

11.1 Trophies will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place overall in each Class. Trophies will be presented for the Commodores Cup at a ceremony on the evening of Wednesday 10th April at Port Stephens. Trophies will be presented for the Port Stephens Trophy, NSW IRC Championships, NSW Super 12 Championships as soon as practical after racing on Sunday 14th April at Regatta Headquarters, Port Stephens.

12. Internet Site

The event web site for Sail Port Stephens 2019 is located at www.sailportstephens.com.au and information regarding the event may be obtained from this site.

13. Mooring Arrangement Facilities

13.1 Moorings for competing keelboats in the marinas at Port Stephens (d'Albora Marina, Nelson Bay; Anchorage Marina, Corlette Point; and Soldiers Point Marina, Soldiers Point) may be available for the period 1200 hrs Sunday 7th – 1200 hrs Monday 15th April at a preferential regatta rate.

13.2 Please make all berthing bookings with each of the marinas. It is a condition of entry that yachts must moor in accordance with the directions of the Marina Managers.

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