



SAIL PORT STEPHENS 2022

Incorporating COMMODORES CUP CRUISING SERIES NSW YACHTING CHAMPIONSHIPS TP52 CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND PORT STEPHENS TROPHY

4th – 10th April 2022

NOTICE OF RACE

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 4th – 10th April 2022. Sail Port Stephens comprises Commodores Cup Cruising events sailed 4th to 6th April 2022 and Port Stephens Trophy event and NSW Yachting Championships sailed on 8th to 10th April 2022.

2. Rules

- 2.1 The races shall be governed by the rules as defined in the 2021 – 2024 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 ORC Rule where applicable, the class rules of each class, all as modified by the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.2 Protest arbitration 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 considered in establishing the yacht's handicap. Stored power may be used for the operation of movable ballast systems. RRS 51 and 52 are modified as required by this paragraph.

3. Classes & Handicaps

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

Class	Event	Handicap System
Cruising Class	Commodores Cup	Performance Handicap (PHS)
Cruising Non-Spinnaker Class	Commodores Cup	Performance Handicap (PHS)
IRC & ORC Class	NSW Yachting Championships	IRC & ORC
TP52 Class	Port Stephens Trophy	TPR & IRC
Performance Racing Class	Port Stephens Trophy	Performance Handicap (PHS)
Performance Cruising Class	Port Stephens Trophy	Performance Handicap (PHS)
Sport Boat Class	Port Stephens Trophy	SportBoat Measurement System (SMS) & ASBA LTP Handicap



- 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. Results will be calculated by the application of the IRC Time Corrector (TCC) as a multiplier of elapsed time.
- 3.4 Ratings for ORC will be obtained from ORC rating certificates. Results will be decided by the application of the Time-on-Time Simplified Scoring Option, using the Time on Time (ToT) Windward/Leeward rating as printed on each boat's ORC Certificate, as a multiplier of elapsed time.
- 3.5 TPR ratings will be as provided by the TP52 Owners Group. Results will be calculated by the application of the TPR rating as a multiplier of elapsed time.
- 3.6 Sport Boats SMS and ASBA LTP handicap will provided by the Australian Sport Boat Association (ASBA) as a multiplier of elapsed time.
- 3.7 Performance Handicap classes results will be decided by the application of Time Correction Factor (TCF) as a multiplier of elapsed time. The TCF will be determined by the Sail Port Stephens Handicap 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. No alteration to the certificate will be permitted, 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 ORC boats shall hold a valid ORC certificate (ORCi or ORCc) at the time of the races. A boat that is also entered in the IRC category may carry the maximum number of spinnakers allowed under its IRC certificate.
- 4.4 TP52 boats will be boats that have their genesis from the International TP52 Class and the Pac52 Class.
- 4.5 Sports Boat shall meet the requirements of the Australian Sports Boat Association constitution and have an SMS rating of 0.755 or greater. RRS 49.1 shall not apply to Melges 24s and Magic 25s if racing in full compliance with their respective class rules and it is noted on the boats' SMS certificate that the rating incorporates hiking devices. ASBA Constitution section 4.1.13 shall not apply to Elliott 7s if racing in full compliance with their respective class rules. Sports Boats shall have a current handicap certificate as defined in the ASBA constitution 14.3.
- 4.6 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 Sail Port Stephens Handicap Committee.
- 4.7 Yachts not having sail numbers will be required to carry identification numbers on the hull which may be provided by the Race Committee.
- 4.8 The owner or charterer of a boat entered in Sail Port Stephens 2022 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 2022.
- 4.9 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 AS Special Regulations (SR) Part 1 Category 5 shall apply to all classes except Sports Boat Class which will be Category 7. All Boats shall carry a working VHF radio.
- 5.2 All boats shall produce a current AS Special Regulations Compliance Form at registration.

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 Sunday 27th March 2022.

Series	Entry Fee (AUS\$)	Additional Late Fees
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Commodores Cup 4 th – 6 th April		
Commodores Cup Cruising Divisions	\$360.00	\$80
Commodores Cup Cruising Non-Spinnaker	\$360.00	\$80

Port Stephens Trophy 8 th – 10 th April		
Performance Racing Series	\$360.00	\$80
Performance Cruising Series	\$360.00	\$80
TP52 Series	\$360.00	\$80
NSW Yachting Championships	\$360.00	\$80
Sports Boat Series	\$360.00	\$80

Sail Port Stephens Overall (includes Commodores Cup and Port Stephens Trophy)	\$510.00	\$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

- 7.1 It is the intention to have Sailing Instructions available on the event website from Wednesday 30th March 2022. Printed copies will be provided to all competitors at registration.

8. Schedule of Events

Port Stephens Commodores Cup		
Date	Series	Event
Sunday 3 rd April	Cruising & Non-Spinnaker	Registration 1400hrs – 1700hrs (Regatta HQ)
Monday 4 th April	Cruising & Non-Spinnaker	Registration 0830hrs – 1000hrs (Regatta HQ)
		Race 1
Tuesday 5 th April	Cruising & Non-Spinnaker	Race 2
Wednesday 6 th April	Cruising & Non-Spinnaker	Race 3
		Presentation of trophies



Port Stephens Trophy & NSW Yachting Championships		
Date	Series	Event
Thursday 7 th April	All Classes except Sports Boats	Registration 1400hrs – 1700hrs (Regatta HQ)
	Sports Boats	Registration 1600hrs – 1800hrs (Port Stephens Yacht Club)
Friday 8 th April	All Classes except Sports Boats	Registration 0830hrs – 1000hrs (Regatta HQ)
	Sports Boats	Registration 0800hrs – 1000hrs (Port Stephens Yacht Club)
	NSW Yachting Championships	Races 1, 2 & 3
	TP52 Series	Races 1, 2 & 3
	Performance Racing Series	Races 1, 2 & 3
	Performance Cruising Series	Race 1
	Sports Boat Series	Up to 4 races (W/L or Passage)
Saturday 9 th April	NSW Yachting Championships	Race 4 - Passage
	TP52 Series	Race 4 - Passage
	Performance Racing Series	Race 4 – Passage
	Performance Cruising Series	Race 2 - Passage
	Sports Boat Series	Up to 4 races (W/L or Passage)
Sunday 10 th April	NSW Yachting Championships	Races 5 & 6
	TP52 Series	Races 5 & 6
	Performance Racing Series	Race 5
	Performance Cruising Series	Race 3
	Sports Boat Series	Up to 2 races (W/L)
	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.

SERIES NAME	No. Races
Commodores Cup Cruising	3
Commodores Cup Cruising Non-Spinnaker	3
NSW Yachting Championships	6
TP 52 Series	6
Performance Racing Series	5
Performance Cruising Series	3
Sports Boat Series	8



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 2022; c)the participation, including negligent participation, by all persons in Sail Port Stephens 2022, 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 2022.
- 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 2022 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 2022 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 and Division. Trophies will be presented for the Commodores Cup at a ceremony on the evening of Wednesday 8th April at Port Stephens. Trophies will be presented for the Port Stephens Trophy, NSW Yachting Championships, TP52 Series Championships and Sport Boat Series as soon as practical after racing on Sunday 10th April at Regatta Headquarters, Port Stephens.

12. Internet Site

The event website for Sail Port Stephens 2022 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 5th April – 1200 hrs Monday 11th April.



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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