

2023–24 SAILING SEASON NOTICE OF RACE

South Brisbane Sailing Club

Applicable to all Club Races and Sailing Events between September 2023 and May 2024

On the Milton and St Lucia Reaches of the Brisbane River

This Notice of Race has been prepared in accordance with the South Brisbane Sailing Club Sailing Instructions Clause 20 (a) and (b).

DOCUMENT HISTORY

Version	Date	Changes / Approval
1.0	29 July 2022	Updated awards to align with Championship Series being sailed throughout the
		summer season. Championship allows 5 discards. Race Management duties
		attracts average race result while on duty.

1. RULES

- All races are governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the Australian Sailing (AS) Prescriptions and Special Regulations Part 2 for off-the-beach boats shall apply https://www.sailingresources.org.au/class-assoc/racing-rules/).
- 1.2 This Notice of Race (NOR) is available on the club internet site https://www.sbsc.org.au/
- 1.3 Where there is any conflict between this Notice of Race, the South Brisbane Sailing Club Sailing Instructions and the Australian Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing, this Notice of Race and then the South Brisbane Sailing Club Sailing Instructions take precedence.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- Races are open to any monohull dinghy up to 5 meters (e.g. NS14, MG, Tasar, Laser, Heron, Pacer all qualify)
- To enter a boat in a race, the skipper must be a member of the South Brisbane Sailing Club member.
- 2.3 All new sailors to the club must complete a Sailing Competency and Fitness Questionnaire and may be assessed as competent to sail by a delegate of the Principal Race Officer.
- **2.4** Attendance of the Race Briefing by the skipper is compulsory.
- **2.5** The skipper and boat shall constitute the basis of an entry.
- **2.6** The boat must have a valid sail number.
- A boat which is altered or sails outside its class rules may be disqualified unless is approved by the Principal Race Officer before the event. The onus will be on that boat to make a case against a disqualification in a protest hearing.
- 2.8 The skipper or delegate must sign-on before the conclusion of the race briefing, recording the name of the crew, if applicable. Boats that do not properly sign on will have their race result recorded as Did Not Compete (DNC).
- 2.9 Sign-off is compulsory and should be performed as soon as possible after the days racing. Boats that do not sign off within an hour of returning to club house, will have their race result recorded as a disqualification (DSQ).
- 2.10 All sailors must comply with Queensland Government Health Directions and any SBSC covid sign-in requirements. More details at; https://www.sbsc.org.au/about/covid/

3. RACE FEES

3.1 Race fees can be found on the race registration page.

Race fees may be amended from time to time by the SBSC Management Committee.

4. RACE DIVISIONS

4.1 Races will be conducted as set out in the table below. Skippers may compete in any Race Division. A skippers' decision to participate in the Novice Division is dependent on the skipper and crew's skill, confidence and competency and any advice from the PRO.

Race Division	Class	Notes
Laser (and Impulse) Division	Laser Standard, Radial, 4.7 sailed by an adult, Impulse, and any other classes with yardstick equal to or greater than 110 and equal to or less than 125	Experienced Skippers
NS14 and Tasar Division	NS14, Tasar or other classes with Yardstick rating less than 110	Experienced Skippers
Heron and Pacer Division	Herons or Pacers any other classes with a Yardstick of greater than 125	Experienced Skippers
O'pen Skiff and Laser 4.7 Division	O'pen Skiffs and Laser 4.7 sailed by junior	SBSC LTS students/graduates and Junior Sailing members

^{4.2} Race Divisions for Inter-club Regatta Series will be described in a separate Notice of Race.

5. RACE SERIES

5.1 Race series will be conducted during the 2022-23 Sailing Season as listed below.

Series Name	Scoring	Winners Awarded
Club Championship	Yes	Yes
Social Racing	Yes	No

6. RACE PROGRAM

Dates of racing and corresponding series are listed in the club's 2022-23 Sailing Program available on the club internet site https://www.sbsc.org.au/

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND SEASON YARDSTICK

- 7.1 The South Brisbane Sailing Club (SBSC) Sailing Instructions is available on the club internet site https://www.sbsc.org.au/
- 7.2 The finishing time of each boat will be adjusted by applying the following Yardsticks to calculate an adjusted time and used to determine the corrected race position and resulting points for the race, as per SBSC Sailing Instructions section 15 b), c), d) and e).

Other participating classes will be assigned current Australian Sailing Yardsticks

Class	Australian Sailing Yardstick	Note
NS14	108	less 2% for single handed

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Class	Australian Sailing Yardstick	Note
Tasar	108	less 2% for single handed
Laser Standard	114	
Laser Radial	118.5	
Laser 4.7	125	
Impulse	118.5	
Mirror	142	less 2% for single handed
Pacer without spinnaker	127.5	less 3% with spinnaker
Heron	145	less 2% for single handed
O'pen Skiff	153.3	
OK Dinghy	115.5	

8. RACING AREA AND VENUE

- **8.1** The SBSC Clubhouse is located at 68 Hill End Terrace, West End, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia.
- 8.2 The Usual Course Areas are on the Milton and St Lucia reaches of the Brisbane River as per Attachments A1 and A2. All boats will enter the water via the boat ramp at the SBSC Club House.

9. COURSES AND STARTING TIME

- 9.1 Courses for each race will be advised by the Principal Race Officer (PRO) at the Race Briefing to suit expected weather conditions, tidal conditions, experience of the Race Management Team and the general competency of competitors.
- **9.2** The usual starting times are as follows or as otherwise advised by the Principal Race Officer at the Race Briefing.

Start no.	Not before	Divisions
First	14:30 PM	NS14 and Tasar, Laser (Impulse)
Second	14:35 PM	Heron and Pacers
Third	14:40 PM	BIC O'pen skiffs and Novices

- **9.3** Where 6 or more boats of the same Class enter the race the PRO may elect to have a separate start or that Class.
- 9.4 Starting Signals will be as described in Section 5 of the SBSC Sailing Instructions unless amended by the PRO at the Race Briefing.
- 9.5 The PRO, upon consultation with other members of the Sailing Sub-Committee present, may elect to cancel a race by 12 noon on any race day, if the PRO has reason to believe that there is little prospect for suitable racing conditions 9.6 On days where winds are either gentle and variable or strong and gusty, and strong tides are present, a single short race with a single start

may be sailed, instead of a standard race of several laps. Additional short races may be sailed if weather conditions continue to be favourable to the majority of boats competing.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

10.1 The penalties are as per SBSC Sailing Instructions section 16.

11. SCORING

- 11.1 The Low Points Scoring System specified in Racing Rules of Sailing Appendix A will apply as set out in the SBSC Sailing Instructions Section 15 and below.
- 11.2 Club Championship points and handicaps will follow a skipper's race results achieved when competing in the same class of dinghy (i.e. skipper x class) as per SBSC Sailing Instructions section 15e.
- 11.3 The championship series will be a maximum of 12 races. When a competitor has sailed 8 races, that competitor's worst races will be discarded. Competitors should note that a maximum of two races may be sailed on one day in accordance with clause 9.6
- 11.4 For all those sailors who decide or have been asked to volunteer for race duties, average results of the year, will be added for that race. For example, if your average 4th over the year, you will be given 4 points for that race.
 - 11.5 A minimum of 50% of championship races must be sailed to qualify for an award.

12. HANDICAPS

Refer to the Sailing Instructions

13. CHAMPIONSHIPS ENTRY

Only Sailing Members of the club are eligible to sail in the Club Championship (refer Sailing Instructions section 20 (h))

14. PRIZES AND AWARDS

Club Championship prizes or awards will be presented to the first, second and third place of each Race Division, subject to section 20 of the Sailing Instructions.

Eligible Race Divisions	Club Championship & Handicap Awards	Notes
Laser (and Impulse) Division	First, second and third place	Includes Laser 4.7 if sailed by adult
NS14 and Tasar Division	First, second and third place	
Heron and Pacer Division	First, second and third place	

Open Skiff and	First, second and third place	
Laser 4.7 Division		

- **14.2 Women's Champion** awards will be presented to:
 - First, second and third place for highest placed female skippers across the Championship Series within each race division as per SBSC Sailing Instructions Section 20.
 - Crew may be any gender
 - Prizes may also may also be awarded for the "She Sails" race day
- **14.3 Junior Champion** (17 years old or under) awards will be presented to crews who have not otherwise received a division championship and awarded to:
 - Highest placed junior skipper across Championship Series within each race division as per SBSC Sailing Instructions Section 20.
- **14.4 Junior Most Improved:** The most improved junior sailor of the season at the discretion of the Sailing Committee.
- 14.5 The JMH Perpetual Trophy will be awarded by the President to a deserving club member/s, and at the Management Committee's discretion.
- 14.6 The **Tristram Shield** will be presented to the winning team of the annual joint interclub handicap race with the Oxley Sailing Club.
- 14.7 The On the Nose trophy will be presented to the winning Laser/or similar team of the annual joint interclub handicap race with the Oxley Sailing Club.
- **14.9** Skippers and crew who participate in at least 10 races will receive a participation award for the season.

15. COMPETITORS DECISION TO COMPETE

- 15.1 Competitors participating in SBSC races do so at their own risk and shall inform themselves as to risks prior to the event. See RRS rule 3, Decision to Race.
- 15.2 It is the responsibility of Parents and Guardians (and not SBSC) to decide whether children should compete. See RRS rule 3

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

16.1 For further information, please contact the SBSC Race Secretary or SBSC Enquiries via the SBSC Web site sbsc.org.au.

Usual Course Area - Milton Reach [subject to revision by PDO at Race Briefing]



Usual Course Area - St Lucia Reach [subject to revision by PDO at Race Briefing]

