

Labour Day Long Weekend 4th and 5th of March 2017

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organising Authority is the Walpole Yacht Club of Western Australia (Inc)

Major Sponsors:







1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the YA Special Regulations and the rules of the respective Classes.
- 1.2. Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 1.3. State titles conducted at this Regatta may have additional Supplementary Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4. Arbitration shall apply as detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

2. ADVERTISING

2.1. Boats may be required to display bow numbers and advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority, details of which will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

3. ELIGIBILITY

The regatta is open to the following:

- 3.1. All OFF THE BEACH Dinghies
- 3.2. All OFF THE BEACH Trailer sailors
- 3.3. All OFF THE BEACH Catamarans
- 3.4. Any shallow draft KEEL BOATS, e.g. Red Witch, Flying Fifteen
- 3.5. Any veteran OFF THE BEACH yachts are welcome but must be seaworthy
- 3.6. All competing yachts shall conform to the safety requirements of YA Special Regulations Part 1 Category 7 or Part 2. Safety inspections by the Organising Authority may be carried out at any time.

4. FEES AND REGISTRATION

- 4.1. Nomination fee is \$60 per boat which includes a dinner ticket for the skipper to attend the Presentation Dinner, Sunday 5th March. Regatta shirts and additional tickets to the Presentation Dinner may be ordered and paid at the time of nomination.
- 4.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online nomination form linked to www.walpaoleyachtclub.com.au
 If you have any concerns nominating and paying via this method please contact the Organising Authority via email at yachtclub@walpole.org.au
- 4.3. Entries submitted after the 17th February, 2017 will be late entries and may be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority.
- 4.4. Entries submitted after 17th February, 2017 will be unable to order Regatta Shirts.

5. **DIVISIONS**

- 5.1. There will be several divisions to cater for yachts of a similar class, type or performance.
- 5.2. Yachts will be allocated to a division by the Race Committee and the divisional yachts will be displayed on the official Notice Board at the briefing marque located at West Coalmine Regatta Office (see Attachment A).
- 5.3. A single class shall have a minimum of ten (10) boats to be eligible to have its own division.
- 5.4. A single class which is holding their State Championships shall have their own division regardless of the number participating.

6. **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

6.1. The Regatta will consist of up to five races, two races held Saturday afternoon and three held throughout Sunday with a break for lunch.

Date	Time	Description
Saturday 4 th March 2017	0900 to 1230	Registration – Regatta Office (see Attachment A)
	1130	Volunteers Briefing
	1230	Welcome & Competitors Briefing
	1345	First Warning Signal, subsequent races to follow.
	1700 onwards	Clubrooms will be open for sausage sizzle/salad @ \$10 per head. Bar operating – Cash only.
Sunday 5 th March 2017	0930	Volunteers Briefing
	0945	Competitors Briefing
	1045	First Warning Signal, subsequent races to follow with a lunch break
	1800	Regatta Presentation Dinner at the Walpole Sports and Recreation Centre Dinner tickets (two courses) - \$30.00 Adults, \$22 Children (16 and under).

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

7.1. Sailing Instructions will be available at the registration desk, West Coalmine Beach. Draft Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Walpole Yacht Club website www.walpoleyachtclub.com.au prior to Saturday 4th March.

8. VENUE

8.1. Attachment A shows the regatta site and boat launching area being West Coalmine Beach.

9. THE COURSES

9.1. The courses to be sailed will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

10. SCORING

- 10.1. The Low Point Scoring system, Appendix A shall apply except that a DNF will score the number of finishers plus one (i.e. Last place).
- 10.2. Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 10.3. When three (3) races are completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 10.4. When four (4) or more races are completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 10.5. For single class divisions scoring will be for both across the line placing and handicap placing.
- 10.6. For mixed class divisions scoring will be for handicap placing only.
- 10.7. Handicaps will be based on averaged Back Counted Yardstick performances of all races sailed.

11. PRIZES

- 11.1. Prizes will be awarded to each division for each heat for 1st on handicap, and pennants for 2nd, 3rd on handicap and fastest. Divisions with less than 5 boats will be awarded a prize for 1st on handicap and pennants for 2nd on handicap only.
- 11.2. Prizes will be awarded at the end of the regatta for 1st, 2nd, 3rd overall based on handicap results for mixed class divisions and for 1st, 2nd, 3rd overall based on championship results for single class divisions.

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 12.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4 "Decision to Race". The Organising Authority, its associates and appointees will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
- 12.2. Those taking part in this regatta are responsible for the seaworthiness of the boat that they are sailing and for the sufficiency and adequacy of its equipment.

13. INSURANCE

13.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of not less than AUD\$5million (recommended \$10million) for any one incident or the equivalent. By signing the Entry Form, competitors have made a declaration that they have such cover. (If "insurance" may stop you from nominating/competing in the Regatta please contact the Regatta Events Manager, contact details below.)

14. FURTHER INFORMATION

For information regarding the regatta please contact:

Maree Pickett, Walpole Yacht Club Commodore/Regatta Event Manager: 0418 916 543 yachtclub@walpole.com.au

Tim Hodgson, Race Committee Secretary: 0488 425 234, timhodgson@westnet.com.au

Walpole In the Trees Regatta Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th March 2017 Walpole Yacht Club ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- 1. Security at Coalmine Beach will be in place on the Friday and Saturday nights.
- 2. Catering Saturday & Sunday @ West Coalmine Beach Picnic Area 07:00 16:00 07:00 – 11:00: Bacon and Egg Sandwiches, Toasted Sandwiches, Fresh Coffee, Cool Drinks 11:00 onwards: Hamburgers, Salad Rolls, Snacks, Fresh Coffee, Cool Drinks
- **3. Saturday Evening @ Wapole Yacht Club:** BBQ and salads @ \$10 per head and bar operating from 17:00 21:00. **Drinks are Cash, Bar only**
- 4. Regatta Spectator Vessel Sunday 5th 14:00 onwards

Spectators have a wonderful opportunity to be on board the **WOW Wilderness** vessel that will be stationed at the edge of the racing zone during the Sunday afternoon races. For bookings contact Leah: 0435 071 363 / leahelston@gmail.com

- **5. Sunday Presentation Dinner:** Sit down 2 course dinner at the Walpole Sports and Recreation Centre. \$30 adult tickets, \$22 children tickets (16 and under). Seating restricted to 320 please book in advance.
- **Complementary Shuttle Bus for the Sunday Presentation Dinner** will operate for the drop off to and departures from the Walpole Sports and Recreations Centre at the following location and times:

From the Coalmine Beach Caravan Park: 5:50pm, 6:10pm and 6:30pm

From the Walpole Sports and Recreation Centre: 10:00pm, 10:30pm, and 11:00pm

For pick-ups and drop offs within the town and Rest Point please contact Graham m: 0478 228 431

- **7.** Regatta Shirts will be a polo embroidered with Regatta name, logo and major sponsors. **The shirt is same design, colour and sponsors as 2016.** Ladies shirts available. Shirts **must** be ordered and paid for by the 17th February, 2017. See WYC website to view shirt details.
- **8.** For **accommodation** information please contact:

Walpole Visitors Centre

T: 9840 1111 E: info@walpole.com.au web: www.walpole.com.au

Attachment A: 1 Walpole park Ave Pier St γilltop Rd Walpole Country Club Golf Course Regatta Office Turn off at Walpole Inlet Registration, Food, Knoll Scenic Drive parking & launching. Clubhouse & boat ramp Regatta race area Nornalup Inlet Newdegate Island Map data @2012 Google, Whereis(R) 5