



Sydney Amateur Sailing Club

NOTICE OF RACE

THE LION ISLAND RACE 2021

An invitation is extended to owners of eligible boats to enter this race to be sailed from Sydney Harbour to Broken Bay and return.

The Organising Authority (OA) is the Sydney Amateur Sailing Club.

Date: Saturday, 4th September 2021

Start: 1000 hours **Start Line:** Watsons Bay

Rules: The race will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RRS) of World Sailing (WS), the prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) 2021-2024, the Marine Safety (General) Regulation 2016, the General Sailing Instructions of SASC, all amended by the Sailing Instructions.

Handicap: PHS

Entries: Entry is online through TopYacht entry system at www.sasc.com.au. Entry Fee is \$50 (SASC member) \$60 (Non-member) incl. GST. Please DO NOT pay via credit card until we can confirm the race can proceed as per NSW Health advice. Before the race, competing skippers are required to register all their crew names and contact details on TopYacht. Entries will not be accepted after 1200 on Wednesday, 1st September 2021. Sailing Instructions will be available on Tuesday 31st August 2021.

Eligibility: Self-righting single-hull yachts with a LWL minimum of 5 meters, holding a current AS Special Regulations Equipment Audit form signed by an accredited AS Special Regulations Equipment Auditor to at least Category 4. **(Refer NTC)**

Radio: The Official Race Channel is VHF Ch 73.

Trophies: Division A Handicap: P.J. Worrall Trophy
Division B Handicap: Anitra V Trophy
2-Handed Division: Merrington Trophy

COPY OF EQUIPMENT AUDIT FORM TO AT LEAST CATEGORY 4 to be sent to SASC Sailing Office racing@sasc.com.au to complete entry requirements.

1 RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1.1 Risk Warning - The Organising Authority advises owners, skippers and anyone who participates in yachting events conducted by the Organising Authority that participation in the sport of yachting, whether racing or otherwise, can be dangerous and can result in harm, personal injury and property damage. The Organising Authority is not responsible for any harm or injury suffered by any person in any yachting event of whatever nature conducted by the Organising Authority. All participants acknowledge that competing in yachting events may be dangerous and may result in harm or personal injury and they participate in such events aware of such dangers and voluntarily accept any risk of harm.
- 1.2 Competitors Declaration - It is the responsibility of owners and skippers to ensure that each boat nominated on the entry form complies with the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024.
- 1.3 All competitors who enter have made a declaration to the Organising Authority that the nominated boat will at all times while racing comply with the requirements of Australian Sailing and the Sailing Instructions, including:
- (a) RRS 46;
 - (b) the Australian Sailing Special Regulations;
 - (c) being covered by current Third-Party Property Liability insurance and Third Party Personal Liability insurance of not less than \$10,000,000 (ten million) for each incident. All insurance cover shall be maintained during the period of racing;
 - (d) the person who lodges the entry form is warranting to the Organising Authority that he or she will draw the attention of any person who competes on the yacht to the risk warning above;
 - (e) the person who lodges this entry form with the Organising Authority is acknowledging receipt of the risk warning above and releasing the Organising Authority from any claim or liability whatsoever for any harm or personal injury suffered by him, or by any person claiming through him, in any event conducted by the Organising Authority.
- 1.4 Disclaimer of Liability
- (a) All those taking part in these races do so at their own risk and responsibility. Specific attention is drawn to RRS 4 which states; "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone". The organising authority, sponsors, respective class associations, the Race Committee and other race officials are not responsible for any damage or injury either afloat or ashore.
 - (b) The Organising Authority, sponsors, respective class associations, the Race Committee and other race officials are not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.
 - (c) All those taking part in these races are reminded of their obligations as set out in the Australian Sailing Special Regulations clause 1.02 Owner's Responsibility
- 1.5 COVID-19 Requirements – It is the responsibility of the owners and skippers to ensure that they have read, understood, and comply with the COVID-19 protocols including but not limited to hygiene, distancing and crew recording and tracing requirements.

2 OTHER INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 No litter shall be disposed of overboard
- 2.2 Yachts shall not interfere with the Commercial or Defence shipping of the Port. The attention of skippers is drawn to NSW Roads and Maritime Services regulations regarding the right of way of vessels entering or leaving port, ferries displaying orange diamonds and vessels engaged in towing. NSW Roads and Maritime Services regulations specify "*Priority over Sail – some Commercial Ferries on Sydney Harbour display an orange diamond shape which grants priority of way over sailing vessels. Do not attempt to cross the path of an approaching ferry displaying this signal.*" Boats found to have interfered with commercial shipping may be subject to action by the Race Committee in accordance with RRS 60.2.
- 2.3 All yachts must abide by traffic directions of NSW RMS Boating Service Officers. Any yacht directed to stop or alter course by NSW RMS Boating Service Officers because of an anticipated breach of the above rules, incident/collision or complaint shall do so immediately.
- 2.4 Any yachts reported by NSW Roads and Maritime Services as having contravened NSW Roads and Maritime Services regulations shall be disqualified without a hearing. (This amends RRS 63.1). Any alleged infringement of this clause shall not be grounds for protest by another competitor.
- 2.5 Competitors are required to notify the Organising Authority of any contact incident occurring during racing regardless of whether it results in a Protest or a report to NSW Roads and Maritime Services.