



Notice of Race

Hervey Bay Boat Club

42nd Annual Bay to Bay Trailable Yacht Race

Saturday 29th April and Sunday 30th April 2023

Tin Can Bay to Hervey Bay Queensland Australia



Conducted by the Hervey Bay Sailing Club

Under the authority of Australian Sailing

On the country of the Bitchulla people



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1 EVENT AND VENUE

The Hervey Bay Boat Club Annual Bay to Bay Trailable Yacht Race (Bay to Bay) sailed over the Queensland Labour Day long weekend is a two leg approximately 50nM/92km long two day Category 5 (**limited rescue availability in daylight hours**) race for eligible (NoR 4) monohull and multihull trailable yachts through the waters of the Tin Can Bay Inlet, the Wide Bay Harbour, the Great Sandy Strait and Hervey Bay Queensland from north of Snapper Creek Tin Can Inlet to east of the Urangan Boat Harbour Hervey Bay with an overnight stop in Garrys Anchorage (Garrys) between K'gari (Fraser Island) and Stewart Island.

You must accept that you will sail entirely at your own decision and risk in the company of a large fleet of trailable yachts through the largely remote, unspoilt and truly spectacular wilderness area of the Great Sandy Marine Park including the Great Sandy Strait Ramsar Wetland Area, the K'gari (Fraser Island) World Heritage Area and the Great Sandy National Park all of which provide critical habitat to endangered resident and/or migratory marine turtles, dugong, bird life, K'gari wongari (dingo) and marine stingers, crocodiles, snakes, goannas, spiders and so much more.

Knowing that while the majority (but not all) have completed the past 41 Bay to Bay adventures with not much more than minor non disabling adverse outcomes **you must accept that** Bay to Bay mooring, anchoring, sailing in close company with other competitors, course boats, commercial and public boats, dangerous and at times lethal marine and land animals, plants and natural systems of shifting narrow channels, shoals and sandbanks and wind, tides, waves, a dark unlit overnight anchorage, obstructions, landscapes **and other aspects not mentioned** can be dangerous and present hazards to all with an uncontrolled risk of serious injury, illness, death, serious damage, loss of boat, equipment, possessions.

It is your inescapable responsibility to plan to control hazards and reduce risks to an acceptable level. **Boats must keep Race Control VHF 77 informed of** the safe or otherwise progress of their boat and others near or known to them, ensure race numbers are recorded at all sign on/off and marks on the NoR 16 map that are attended by Mark Rounding recording Boats as per SI 22.

2 RULES

2.1 The Boat Club 42nd Annual Bay to Bay Trailable Yacht Race will be governed by these rules:

- a. **Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021-2024** including the AS Prescriptions with particular attention to the Fundamental Rules for Safety, Helping Those in Danger, Life-Saving Equipment and Personal Flotation Devices, Fair Sailing, Decision to Race, Acceptance of the Rules;
- b. **The International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea**, any government right of way rules replaces RRS Part 2 when in times of restricted visibility and when Bay to Bay boats meet non Bay to Bay boats, in particular through narrow channels, suggested small craft tracks, ship navigation areas and in the vicinity of navigation marks and between Bay to Bay boats when not racing including proceeding to the start area, retired or finished;
- c. **Australian Sailing (AS) Special Regulations (SR) 2021 Part 1** for Racing Boats Category 5 Race in daylight hours with limited rescue availability with particular attention to 1.02.1 responsibility for safety of a boat and its crew, the boat is fully found, thoroughly seaworthy, the crew has the experience and physical fitness to face bad weather, the soundness of hull,

rudder/centreboard fittings, spars, rigging, sails and all gear, all safety equipment is properly maintained and stowed and that the crew know where it is kept and how it is to be used, nomination of a person to take over the responsibilities of the person in charge in the event of incapacitation;

d. **Boat type / class custodian rules:**

- a. The Australian Sailing (AS) Australian Class Based Handicap (CBH) Rating System for Trailable Yachts and Sports Boats;
- b. Multihull Yacht Club Queensland (MYCQ) Offshore Multihull Rule (OMR) for Multihulls;
- c. Class / manufacturer specifications / rules where they exist;

e. **The Sailing Instructions (SI).**

2.2 **These legislated requirements apply:**

- a. Qld Transport Operations Maritime Safety Regulations for smooth, partially smooth waters;
- b. Qld Transport Marine Pollution Regulations for the Great Sandy Strait;
- c. Department of Environment and Science QPWS and EPA Regulations and Warnings for the Great Sandy Marine Park and the Great Sandy National Park;
- d. Department of Transport and Main Roads Maritime Safety Queensland Consent to Hold Aquatic Event and Licence to Anchor in Snapper Creek Harbour;
- e. Queensland Recreational Boating and Fishing Guide 2019-2020. www.publications.qld.gov.au
- f. Any Queensland Government Public Health Directions for COVID Safe Events, restrictions for outdoor sport will apply. Unwell persons must stay away.

2.3 These racing rules will be changed as follows:

- a. RRS 26, 31, 35, 44.1, 42.3 (h) & (i) are changed in the Sailing Instructions;
- b. RRS 77 Identification on Sails is changed by NoR 7;
- c. RRS 78 Compliance with Class Rules is changed by NoR 6 & 7;
- d. Appendix **A Scoring** is changed by NoR 12.

3 **ADVERTISING**

- 3.1 Competitor advertising will be in accordance with RRS Rule 6.1 World Sailing Regulations Advertising Code and the prescriptions of Australian Sailing (AS);
- 3.2 Boats will be asked to display major sponsor supplied advertising on specified parts of each boat;

4 **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 4.1 The Bay to Bay is open to monohull and multihull trailable yachts that agree to comply with all of the requirements of NoR, in particular NoR 2 Rules;
- 4.2 As per RRS 46 **Every person** (skipper and crew) on board each entered boat **shall be a member of** a Club affiliated to Australian Sailing **OR** be an Australian Sailing SailPass member. Both options give every participant an Australian Sailing (AS) Number. To find out each person's AS Number **or for each person to become an Australian Sailing SailPass member** (there is no fee) for each person follow the link on the Yachting Australia RevolutioniseSPORT web site – <https://www.revolutionise.com.au/herveybaysc/> choose the "Register as a temporary member" and then follow the prompts by selecting "Don't have an Australian Sailing number" (link located near the bottom of the page under Next Step, do NOT add any details on this page, just click the link Don't have an Australian Sailing number), then fill in required details, choose Membership type "42nd BAY TO BAY RACE" and 6 days starting Thursday 27th April 2023. Complete all steps and click "Confirm Registration", a temporary 6 day AS Number will be emailed to you for use with your entry.
- 4.3 **Particular attention is drawn to** the requirement that each boat owner, skipper, crew and supporter **will agree by** completing an entry, returning the pre-race check list and registering on Saturday morning **to accept** the Fundamental Rules mentioned in 2.1 (b) including **their inescapable responsibility to decide** whether to race or not, **to manage all** health and safety and fairness of competition aspects of their event participation to an acceptable level, **to acknowledge key aspects** of the event have the **potential to cause harm** (hazards) to health and safety, to test the sufficiency of the boat, equipment and crew and the supply of crew and boat provisions, **the Bay to Bay is a Category 5 event** with limited rescue availability in daylight hours (may not be immediately available), **there is an inescapable requirement** for every person on every boat **to mitigate to an acceptable level** (no serious injury, death, damage or loss) the risk and consequences faced during this passage race through an area remote from rescue services, medical services, shops, restaurants, ships chandlery, harbours, marinas, mooring, boat ramps, **to know, be guided by and obey the event**

rules, to maintain strict compliance with the boat details provided, **to advise race control of** any known mistakes (discovered mistakes will be corrected before placings and prizes are confirmed) in allocation of their boat type, division, ratings, results, etc., **to identify and control** the hazards faced and the risk of consequences outlined in 1 above, **to sign on and off on the water** each day as per 8.2 and 8.3 and SI 18.2, **to adopt the Bay to Bay buddy system** to look out for the safety of boats you know and boats near you on the course, **to assist, and report boats** that may be in danger to Volunteer Marine Rescue, Race Control on VHF77 and boats nearby.

4.4 **Eligible boats must enter by** completing either:

- a. Online – on the www.herveybaysailingclub.org.au website (preferred);
- b. Printed entry forms (only be available on request) from those without internet access which should be returned by: email to bay2bay@herveybaysailingclub.org.au; or surface mail to: The Bay to Bay Secretary Hervey Bay Sailing Club P.O. Box 406 Hervey Bay Q. 4655

4.5 Entries open on the www.herveybaysailingclub.org.au website about mid February 2023 and will be;

- a. Acknowledged by email or surface mail at the time of receipt;
- b. Assigned boat type, division, race number, ratings, bus seats and given other essential information by reply email or surface mail soon after receipt of entry;

Provisional entry lists will be posted periodically on the HBSC website, Sailor App from about Friday 7 April 2023 with a final entry list posted on the website about Monday 24 April 2023 with hard copies supplied at registration on Saturday 29 April 2023.

4.6 **Normal Entries** and bus seat reservations **with the required fee must** be received, online, email by midnight by Friday 14 April 2023, surface mail in the HBSC mail box by Friday 14 April 2023.

4.7 **Late Entries** and bus seat reservations **with the late entry fee must** be received, online or email by midnight Friday 21 April 2023, surface mail in the HBSC mail box by Friday 21 April 2023.

5 FEES

5.1 Race fees for all boats: **Normal Entry** - \$200 **Late Entry** - \$250 **Bus fee** \$30 per seat.

5.2 Fees should preferably be paid at time of entry by Credit Card or cash, cheque by the close of entries.

N.B. All bus seat bookings are non refundable, non transferrable and **cannot be used to purchase** Bay to Bay merchandise.

6 CLASSIFICATION

Entries will be classified by the race committee into the following Boat Types, Divisions and Classes according to the details submitted on the entry:

6.1 **Boat Types:**

- a. **Type 1** – Trailable Yacht and **Type 2** - Sports Boat - standard or open, Class (C) or One of A Kind (OAK) that meet the relevant 2.0 Definitions of the Australian Sailing (AS) Australian Class Based Handicap (CBH) Rating System for Trailable Yachts and Sports Boats;
- b. **Type 3** Multihulls – as per the criteria of the MYCQ and OMR rules;

6.2 Divisions with 5 or more entries:

- a. Division 1: Type 2 Sports Monohull Boats (typically Egan 6, Elliott 7, Leech 650, Melges 24 , Shaw 650, Thompson 8, Spider 550);
- b. Division 2: Type 1 Monohull boats - typically Austral 8, Noosa 620, RL24 DK, Ross 780;
- c. Division 3: Type 1 Monohull Boats - typically Noelex 25, RL24 SK, Ross 650;
- d. Division 4: Type 1 Monohull Boats - typically Careel, Farr, RL28, Sonata;
- e. Division 5: Type 3 Multihulls - typically Tramp, Jar Cat, Seawind 24, Corsair, Farrier, Grainger.

6.3 Classes with 5 or more entries - typically Careel, Elliot, Farr, Masrm, Noelex, RL, Ross.

At all times a boat's owner and any other person in charge shall ensure that their boat is maintained to comply with the details supplied on the boat's entry form and the requirements of her relevant boat type custodian rules, class rules, manufacturer specifications and ratings allocated.

7 RATINGS AND RACE NUMBERS

7.1 **Ratings and handicaps** will be assigned as follows:

- a. **Type 1 boats and Type 2 boats** CBH from the relevant AS CBH ratings report current at 21 April 2023 and **Type 3** boats OMR from the MYCQ validated list of OMR ratings (crew weights will need to be validated with the OMR Manager in the week leading up to the race);
- b. **Long Term Performance Based Handicaps (PBH)** will be assigned and moderated to each boat using past Bay to Bay results and other relevant information by a HBSC appointed panel;

7.2 Race Numbers:

- a. **All boats will be assigned** a three digit race number, **the first digit indicates** the boat's division;
- b. **The number must be** supplied by the owner and must consist of durable numbers **at least 300mm high and 40mm thick on a distinctly contrasting background of rigid material** (preferably black numerals on a light background) (cloth or cardboard background material are not acceptable). Numbers that meet the above requirements stuck directly on the hull are acceptable;
- c. **The allocated race number** must be outside the cabin, on each side of the boat, able to be read from each side of the boat, will not wash away or be obstructed by sails, rigging, hand rails, hulls, persons or heel of boat, **will be clearly visible to and easily read by** race officials at all times with particular attention during starting, mark rounding, finishing, in boat trailer car park, at mooring, at anchor as well as sailing to and from the course.

8 SCHEDULE

The Annual Bay to Bay Trailable Yacht Race is conducted over this schedule:

- 8.1 **Friday 28 April 2023** – bus to Tin Can Bay Yacht Club from Hervey Bay departs from near VMR Hervey Bay Buccaneer Drive Urangan Hervey Bay 6:00pm sharp
- 8.2 **Saturday 29 April 2023:**
 - a. **Bus** to Tin Can Bay Yacht Club from Hervey Bay departs from near VMR Hervey Bay Buccaneer Drive Urangan Hervey Bay 7:15am sharp;
 - b. **Registration** and Race Headquarters 0800hrs to 0945hrs - all skippers must register their intention to participate and agree to abide by the event rules and pick up their bag with Entry List, Souvenir Program (includes NoR, SI), medallion, advertising stickers, etc – at the Tin Can Bay Yacht Club;
 - c. **There may be a Competitors Meeting** at the Tin Can Bay Yacht Club at 9:15hrs, otherwise notices will be given by Race Control on radio VHF 77 from about 9:15hrs;
 - d. **Leg 1** from about 1015hrs to about 1600hrs with the course Race Headquarters on VHF 77;
 - e. **On the water Sign On** before starting and **Sign Off** after retiring, finishing (map at 16, SI 18);
 - f. **Overnight stop over** at Garrys with Race Headquarters on VHF 77 until about 1800hrs.
- 8.3 **Sunday 30 April 2023:**
 - a. **Leg 2** from about 0600hrs to about 1530hrs with the course Race Headquarters on VHF 77 and Urangan Boat Harbour Race Headquarters on VHF 77 then in the Hervey Bay Boat Club;
 - b. **On the water Sign On** before starting and **Sign Off** after retiring, finishing (map in 16, SI 18);
 - c. **Results** will be posted on a Notice Board in the Hervey Bay Boat Club Urangan from about 2000hrs and thereafter on the HBSC Bay to Bay website. Bay to Bay participants are encouraged to have post race drinks and a meal in The Boat Club under strict adherence to The Boat Club rules prior to a **trophy presentation** function commencing at The Boat Club at 1900hrs.

9 MEASUREMENT

- 9.1 **Each entrant is charged with the responsibility to** correctly declare on their entry and then maintain their boat type, class and measurement status described on their entry;
- 9.2 **Any person that gains knowledge of any mistake by** either themselves, the race committee or another entrant that might have occurred in the declaration, reading or understanding of boat entry details and the allocation of boat type, division, class, CBH, OMR and PBH ratings upon receiving their entry acknowledgement, advice from another party, reading a list of entries, during the event observations, from the results, etc. **is charged with the responsibility to** advise the race committee at the earliest opportunity, **preferable order** during entry period, after the close of entries, before the end of registration, at the on water sign off Saturday or Sunday, within 30 minutes after the posting of Bay to Bay race results on Sunday or at the latest 1800hrs on Monday 1 May 2023;
- 9.3 **Advice will be accepted from** a boat's representative, other entrant, interested party, club and class / manufacturer, measurer, handicapper or custodian of a rating system **about** the validity of each boat's compliance with the declared / allocated boat type, division, class, rating and results;
- 9.4 **Measurement checks** may be performed by relevant measurers;
- 9.5 **Rating and result mistakes** that adversely affect reasonable fairness of the event will be corrected;

10 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available for download on the HBSC website from about mid March 2023 and in the Bay to Bay Program given at the registration desk on Saturday 29 April 2023;

11 COURSE, LAUNCHING, MOORING, ANCHORING, RETRIEVAL, BUS SEATS

Refer to NoR 15 Further Information and NoR 16 Course Sketch Map and SI 8 & 9 for more detail:

- a. **Friday and Saturday** Snapper Creek Boat Harbour launching, temporary anchoring permit area, Tin Can Bay Marina berths, bus transport from Urangan to Tin Can Bay as per 8 Schedule above;
- b. **Saturday Leg 1** - from north of Snapper Creek Tin Can Bay Inlet to the vicinity of Fig Tree Great Sandy Strait and an overnight stop over at Garrys Anchorage (southern entrance, anchoring only);
- c. **Sunday Leg 2** from Garrys Anchorage (northern entrance) to the vicinity of EU2 and on to the Urangan Boat Harbour Hervey Bay retrieval and berthing facilities (no anchoring);

To avoid disappointment book bus seats on entry and make changes via HBSC mobile 0400 917 983, book marina and car and trailer bookings and make changes directly with the facility operator as early as possible. Phone numbers are provided in additional information on the HBSC website.

12 SCORING, RESULTS & PRIZES

- 12.1 **Results** will be calculated by applying CBH or OMR ratings and PBH handicaps to the totalled elapsed times of Leg 1 Saturday and Leg 2 Sunday with places determined by the order of elapsed and corrected times; If only one leg is completed then the elapsed times of that leg will be used;
- 12.2 **Prizes** will be awarded to eligible boats in categories (with 5 or more entries) of Boat Type, Division and Class on overall elapsed time and CBH or OMR corrected time and PBH corrected time; Various safety, racing and participation prizes may be awarded;

13 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Participants in the Bay to Bay upon receipt of entry acceptance, **must complete and email a Check List to bay2bay@herveybaysailingclub.org.au** before midnight Saturday 22 April 2023 and register their intention to race on Saturday 29 April 2023 and **in doing so will:**

- a. **Acknowledge that** Bay to Bay trailable yacht racing, sailing, mooring and anchoring in the Tin Can Bay Inlet, the Wide Bay Harbour, the Great Sandy Strait, Hervey Bay and marinas, boat harbours and anchorages **can be hazardous with the risk of** adverse outcomes for the safety of persons, boats, belongings, infrastructure **including** short term, long term and/or permanent injury, illness or death and / or damage to or loss of boat, possessions, property, infrastructure;
- b. **Undertake to** avoid or control all hazards faced (whether or not mentioned in Bay to Bay documentation) and reduce all risk probability and consequence to an acceptable level;
- c. **Agree to participate** in the Bay to Bay **entirely at their own risk accepting all** hazards faced and risk consequences suffered;
- d. **Declare they are aware of and understand** the rules that govern the Bay to Bay **with particular attention to** the RRS 1 Safety, Helping Those in Danger, Lifesaving Equipment and Personal Floatation Devices, 2 Fair Sailing, 3 Decision to Race, Rule 4 Acceptance of the Rules and YA Special Regulations Rule 1.02 Owners Responsibility and **agree to be governed by all the rules;**
- e. **Indemnify all Bay to Bay organizers** including but not limited to organizations, clubs, associations, government agencies, paid and volunteer workers, helpers, supporters, and all others associated with Bay to Bay planning, organizing, executing, checking, enforcing, reviewing, reporting, supporting, etc. **from any claim following** any adverse outcome including death, injury, illness, property, infrastructure damage or loss, etc. sustained prior to, during or after the Bay to Bay.

14 INSURANCE

All participants at all levels must agree to be responsible and accountable for ensuring they:

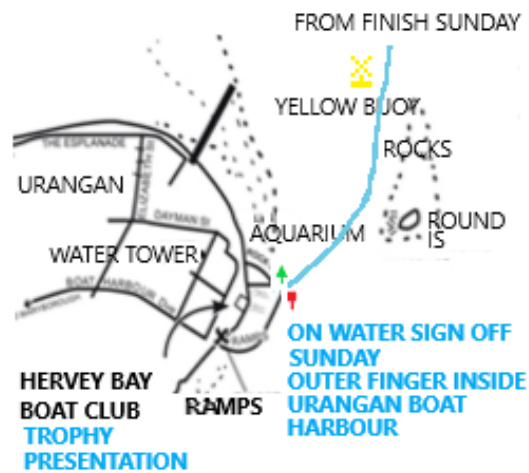
- a. **Obtain and carry sufficient** comprehensive insurance and third party personal and property liability insurance coverage for the Bay to Bay against the very real hazards faced and very real risk of illness, injury, death, damage to or loss of property and possessions and other unspecified trauma, loss and other adverse consequences for themselves, their families, friends, dependants, supporters, associates, other participants and other parties affected, etc. if they fail to adequately control the hazards faced. **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.
- b. **Participate entirely at their own risk and accept** whatever personal or material losses that they may incur including those for which they are not adequately insured **in the full knowledge of** the fundamental condition of entry to the Bay to Bay is **their acknowledgement that** sailing and all other activities prior to, during and after the Bay to Bay can be dangerous and **they agree to accept** all risk consequences from hazards that they may face whether mentioned or not and **their decision to participate is** theirs and theirs alone;

15 FURTHER AND LATEST INFORMATION

Go to the HBSC website – www.herveybaysailingclub.org.au Home page or downloads > 42nd Bay to Bay 2022 or contact about, Non Race issues enquiries@herveybaysailingclub.org.au or 0400 917 983 (buses, bookings), Race issues bay2bay@herveybaysailingclub.org.au or 0427 628 511.

16 COURSE SKETCH MAP

This sketch map is intended to show the area over which the event will be conducted. It should not be for navigation purposes. You must use proper and up to date charts for navigation to, through and from the course area. A water resistant sketch map should be provided in the souvenir bag at registration.



GOVERNMENT LEGISLATION APPLIES

READ NoR 2.2

SEWAGE & RUBBISH

YOU MUST PLAN TO TAKE ALL SEWAGE AND RUBBISH WITH YOU BACK TO URANGAN. THERE ARE NO SEWAGE OR RUBBISH DISPOSAL FACILITIES AT GARRYS FOR BAY TO BAY PARTICIPANTS.

SAFETY

SAFETY IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY. THIS IS A WILDERNESS AREA, YOU MUST STAY DINGO, SNAKE, CROCODILE (sea and land), GOANNA, SHARK, STONE FISH, STING RAY, ACHOHOL (and much much more) SAFE AT GARRYS AND ELSEWHERE ALONG THE COURSE (stay out of the water, do not swim, wade with caution, walk with caution)

