

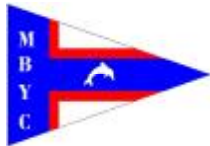
MBYC Ladies Skipper Race Notice of Event

Sunday 22nd May 2011
10:00 am start

1. **Invitation** – MBYC extends an invitation to owners and lady skippers of eligible yachts to compete in the 2010 LADIES SKIPPER RACE and Social BBQ.
2. **Rules** - The races will be governed by the “General event rules” as published in the latest revision of the SAGS and WAGS Sailing Manual (available on the MBYC web site) and this Notice of Event.
SPECIAL RULE PERTAINING TO THIS RACE. - The yacht must at all times be helmed by a female. Where only one female is aboard, a break of 5 minutes per hour may be taken.
3. **Eligibility** - To be eligible, yachts must:-
 - a. comply with Queensland Transport safety requirements for the type and size of vessel sailing in ‘smooth waters’ as defined by MSQ;
 - b. have at least one person on board who is at least a social member of both the MBBC and the MBYC;
 - c. be capable of safely completing the course, and
 - d. have at least one female aboard for the duration of the event.
4. **Entry** – There is no entry fee for this event. Yachts entering shall “log on” to “race control” on VHF77 at least 15 minutes prior to the start. The name of the nominated lady skipper must be advised along with the number of people on board. [NOTE:-*It is requested that yachts intending to race but have not held a MBYC handicap for 2 years notify the club handicapper or secretary a few days prior so that a new handicap can be assigned*].
5. **Spinnakers and extras** – Not applicable to this event. If accidentally hoisted a handicap penalty will accidentally be applied.
6. **Start** – The races will be a scratch start with the start signal being 10:00 am GPS time. No start boat will be on station and no warning signal will be made. The committee boat on the day will be on watch.

The start line will be between the yellow special mark at the entrance to Scarborough Harbour and a yellow buoy laid some distance to the North.

Any boat detected motoring within 5 minutes prior to the start signal will be given a penalty of a type and extent as may be determined by the committee.



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7. **Course** –The course will be a fixed course down the Redcliffe shoreline as follows:-

Start;
Reef Point green to starboard;
Garnet Rock green to starboard;
Otter Rock green to port;
Garnet Rock green to port;
Reef Point green to port; and
Finish.

8. **Shortening of course** – If the course is shortened, the Otter Rock green will be deleted and Garnet Rock will be taken to port.

9. **Finish** – The finish will be an imaginary line being the yellow special mark at the Scarborough Harbour entrance in transit with the green lateral to its South. The yellow special mark will be the port end of the line. The starboard end of the line will be 100m to the North.

Yachts are to record their own (GPS) finish times and advise that time to “race control” on VHF 77 immediately after finishing.

10. **Other Safety Requirements** - All yachts MUST MAINTAIN EFFECTIVE RADIO WATCH on VHF 77 at all times from “log on” until advising a finish time.

11. **Handicaps** - Handicaps will be assigned to yachts in accordance with the guidelines detailed in the MBYC HANDBOOK. Notwithstanding, arbitrary handicaps may be assigned to any yacht based on its normal performance. The handicappers’ decision will be final.

12. **Sailing instructions** – The complete sailing instructions are within this Notice of Event.

13. **Insurance** - It is a condition of entry that each boat must be covered by third party property and public liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5,000,000.

14. **Theme** – The event will have an “AUTUMN” theme. The best presented “autumn theme” boat will be awarded a prize. Other prizes may be awarded for non-theme presentation and boat handling skills.

15. **Presentation and Prizes** – Announcement of results and presentation of prizes will take place during a BBQ at the MBBC clubhouse after the event. Novelty prizes will be at the discretion of the race committee. It is suggested skippers should pay particular attention to presentation of the crew, conduct of the race and overall courtesy on the water. Such attention could be rewarding. Some trivia questions will be put to skippers during the event. Correct or novel answers could also be rewarding.

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