



Ron Howell Memorial Mud Island Marathon 2010



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Notice of Race

1. **Invitation** - MBYC extends an invitation to owners and skippers of eligible yachts to compete in the Ron Howell memorial Mud Island Marathon scheduled to commence at 10:00am on Sunday 7th February 2010.

The event will include two (2) courses with the shorter course catering for social sailing participants.

2. **Rules** - The race will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012 as published by Yachting Australia, the prescriptions of Yachting Australia, this notice of race and the sailing instructions.
3. **Eligibility** - To be eligible for participation, each yacht must satisfy the requirements of Safety Category 6 of the prescriptions of Yachting Australia (2009-2012). The owner/skipper must certify compliance via the MBYC safety declarations.

The committee reserves the right to refuse any entry on the basis of safety issues.

4. **Closing date for entries** - Entries will be accepted on the race day via VHF77 log on.
5. **Course** – The full length course starts within Deception Bay, and follows a course circumnavigating of Mud Is. with required rounding marks being the Reef Point beacon, the Brisbane Road isolated danger mark, the river entrance “**Coffee Pot**” beacons and all cardinals marking safe water round Mud Is. (refer attached course diagram).

The shortened course does not include the Mud Is. Circumnavigation. Instead, boats will return from the Coffee Pots. (refer attached course diagram).

6. **Other Safety Requirements** - All yachts **MUST MAINTAIN RADIO WATCH** on VHF radio channel 77 at all times while racing. When in proximity of the river entrance and shipping lanes, radio watch on VHF12 is mandated by Maritime Safety Queensland.

Maritime Safety Queensland prescriptions will be included with the sailing instructions.

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7. **Handicaps** - Handicaps will be assigned to yachts in accordance with the guidelines detailed in the current MBYC HANDBOOK.
8. **Sailing Instructions** - Sailing instructions will be posted on the MBYC web site and emailed to entrants prior to the event. (*Entrants without email access must request a copy from the management committee.*)
9. **Insurance** - It is a condition of entry that each boat is covered by third party public liability insurance to a minimum value of AUD\$5 million. Such insurance should cover all risks arising whilst the competitor is participating in any way in the race, whether ashore or afloat. Proof of insurance is to be provided prior to racing.
10. **Presentation and Trophies** – Placings will be announced after the event at the MBBC clubhouse. Trophies will be presented at the MBYC annual mid-year function (date to be advised). Trophy winners must have a representative of the yacht at the mid-year function to be eligible for trophies.
11. **Fair sailing** – Attention is drawn to RRS 2 **FAIR SAILING**. The purpose of the event is to provide a sportsmanship orientated platform whereby a yacht's achievement is based on sailing and tactical skills alone. At the conclusion of the protest time limit, all entrants are deemed to be satisfied that any breach of the RRS that may have occurred had no effect on the results and have agreed that latent breaches will not be addressed retrospectively. Participants are also deemed to have accepted that the MBYC committee will not accept any role assigned to any person in charge of any boat by the RRS (e.g. Rule 55).
12. **Further Enquiries.**

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