



Tony Caulfield Remembrance Mud Island Marathon 2016



Notice of Race

1. Invitation

MBBC extends an invitation to owners and skippers of eligible yachts to compete in the Tony Caulfield remembrance Mud Island Marathon scheduled to commence at 10:00am on 27th November 2016.

The event will include two (2) Divisions with the 2nd Division catering for ‘no-extras’ participants.

2. Rules

Division 1 (the full marathon event) will be governed by this Notice of Race, the Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016 (RRS), the Sailing Instructions and Maritime Safety requirements prescribed within the Aquatic Event Authority.

The International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (ColRegs) displace the RRS absolutely between official sunset and official sunrise.

Division 2 (the shorter “no extras” event) will be governed only by this Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions, the International Rules for Preventing Collision at Sea (ColRegs) and Maritime Safety requirements prescribed within the Aquatic Event Authority.

3. Eligibility

To be eligible for participation, each yacht must satisfy the following safety requirements.

- Yachts competing in the Division 1 event must satisfy the requirements of Safety Category 5N of the RRS Special Regulations 2013-2016.
- Yachts competing in either Division must satisfy the safety requirements imposed by Maritime Safety Queensland for the type and size of boat sailing in partially smooth waters.

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 prior to the start.

5. Course

The Division 1 course starts within Deception Bay, and follows a course circumnavigating Mud Is. with required marks of the course being:-

- Reef Point beacon;
- Brisbane Road isolated danger mark;
- River Entrance “Coffee Pot” beacons;
- All cardinals marking safe water round Mud Is. (refer attached course diagram).

The Division 2 course does not include the Mud Is. circumnavigation. Instead, boats will return after rounding the Western Coffee Pot. (refer attached course diagram).

6. Other Safety Requirements

All yachts **MUST MAINTAIN RADIO WATCH** on VHF77 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.

7. Handicaps

Handicaps will be assigned to yachts in accordance with the guidelines detailed in the MBBC Sailing Section performance handicap rules.

8. Sailing Instructions

Sailing instructions will be emailed to all MBBC Sailing Section members prior to the event.

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 \$10 million. Such insurance should cover all risks arising whilst the competitor is participating in any way in the race, whether ashore or afloat. Competitors must ensure their insurance policy includes cover while racing.

10. Presentation and Trophies

Placings will be announced and prizes awarded after the event at the MBBC clubhouse.

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 MBBC committee will not accept any role assigned to any person in charge of any boat by the RRS.

12. Further Enquiries.

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