







NOTICE OF RACE

An invitation to skippers of eligible yachts to enter:



The Kingfisher Bay Resort Night Series 2025 – 2026

Incorporating:

Division 1: Monohull PHS, including all IRC and Shorthanded entries

Division 2: Multihull PHS

A Three Race Series

Race days: 08th November 2025

31st January 2026 28th February 2026

Organising Authority: Queensland Cruising Yacht Club (raceentries@qcyc.com.au)
With the support of WMSC, MBTBC and MBBC









1. Rules

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028 (RRS), as modified by this Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions.

The prescriptions of Australian Sailing (AS) will apply, including AS Special Regulations (ASSR) Part 1, Category 5N.

The IRC rules Parts A, B & C will apply. The IRC Rule 22.4.4 will not apply. There will be no limitation on crew number or weight except as required for boats rated as One-Designs which will comply with IRC Rule 22.4.1. The International Regulations for Preventing Collision at Sea apply at all times and replace the RRS between official sunset and official sunrise. The official time of sunset will be as printed in the "The Courier-Mail" newspaper of the day.

RRS 52 does not apply to the adjustment and operation of sails or to the adjustment of movable appendages on any boat.

2. Eligibility and Entry

The series is open to all racing and cruising monohulls and multihulls that meet the requirements of ASSR Part 1, Category 5N, and provide an audited Cat 5 N equipment audit form with their entry.

The skippers/owners shall be financial members of an AS affiliated club.

Eligible boats must register and pay their entry fee online here

Individual race entries must be received 5 days prior to the start of the race.

Late entries may be accepted upon payment of a late entry fee.

3. Divisions

All divisions are subject to minimum of five entrants per race.

Divisions will be as follows: Monohull PHS, IRC, Shorthanded Monohulls, Multihull PHS.

Boats may enter any combination of Monohull PHS, IRC, and Shorthanded Monohulls.

4. Fees

4.1. Entry fees are as follows:

Class	Entry Fee	Additional Late Entry Fee	
Division 1 – Monohulls	\$120	\$25	
Additional Fee for IRC	\$20	\$0	
Additional Fee for Shorthanded	\$0	\$0	
Division 2 – Multihulls	\$120	\$25	
Individual Race entry (no Shorthanded or IRC available)	\$45	\$15	

5. Advertising

5.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

6. Insurance

6.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000 per incident or the equivalent. A Certificate of Currency for insurance shall be carried on board each competing boat and shall be produced on demand by the Race Committee.

7. Disclaimer of liability

- 7.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Part 1 Fundamental Rules 3, Decision to Race.
- 7.2. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
- 7.3. All those taking part in this series do so at their own risk and responsibility. The organising authority is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat, whose entry is accepted, or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.









Safety

- 8.1. A decision to postpone, cancel or abandon any race can be made by the Race Committee.
- 8.2. Races will not be started when an official gale warning or stronger is current.
- 8.3. All crew members shall wear personal flotation devices and use ASSR category 4 compliant tethers when on deck at night and when sustained wind strength is above 25 knots.
- 8.4. When a boat is crewed by fewer than three people, all crew members shall wear personal flotation devices at all times when on deck.
- 8.5. Any competitor that sails within 500 metres of any commercial vessel may be instantly disqualified. *Redress of time* will be allowed. Please notify the Race Committee Boat if redress of time will be needed. Refer to Appendix C – BRISBANE HARBOUR PROCEDURES for additional information.
- 8.6. All marine incidents must be reported to the Race Officer, in addition to regulatory requirements to report marine incidents to Maritime Safety Queensland.

9. Notices to Competitors

9.1. Any notice to competitors will be posted as News Item on the <u>QCYC Website</u> and the Kingfisher Bay Resort Night Race Series Facebook group

10. Changes to Sailing Instructions

10.1. Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted as News Item on the <u>QCYC Website</u> and <u>the Kingfisher Bay Resort Night Race Series Facebook group</u> not less than four hours before the warning signal.

11. Radio Communication

- 11.1. All race management radio communication will be on VHF Channel 72.
- 11.2. All yachts will sign on with Kingfisher Race Control by RADIO prior to the warning signal for the start. Failure
 - to do so will result in the yacht being scored DNS. This changes RRS 63.1, A4 & A5. At this time, all yachts will advise the number of crew on board (POB) and confirm they have provided all crew contact tracing information.
- 11.3. Any emergency radio communication (MAYDAY, PAN PAN or SECURITE) should take place on VHF Channel 16.
- 11.4. All boats must maintain a listening watch on VHF 16.
- 11.5. All boats must maintain a listening watch on VHF 12 when near the shipping channels in order that they can
 - be communicated with by Commercial Shipping, as stated in Appendix C and detailed on the web page https://www.msq.qld.gov.au/Shipping/Port-procedures-brisbane
- 11.6. All vessels must radio to Kingfisher Race Control at the marks that are listed with an asterisk (*) in the course description. A vessel that does not call in at a mark may be disqualified. These notifications of position are an integral part of the event management plan and must be observed. If any participant experiences communication difficulty during the event, they must make every reasonable effort to ensure their mark rounding times are made known to the committee via any means available (e.g. radio relay or mobile phone). Mobile phone contact for Race Control will be provided in the race briefing document. (see 14.2))
- 11.7. The Start/Finish Boat "Kingfisher Race Control" will act as the radio communication vessel for the duration of
 - the race or until otherwise advised. If you cannot contact "Kingfisher Race Control" arrange for another boat to relay your message.
- 11.8. Except in an emergency, and other than detailed in these instructions, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones and computers.

12. Class Flags

12.1. Class flags will be:

Class Flag
Monohull Numeral 1
Multihull Numeral 2

13. Measurement

- 13.1. Each boat entered in the IRC division shall produce a valid IRC rating certificate prior to the start of the first race entered. The certificates must be current for the first race.
- 13.2. Any changes to a boat's rating certificate shall be submitted prior to the start of the first race to which the change applies.
- 13.3. The Race Committee reserves the right to check any measurements it deems necessary.









14. Schedule

Skippers are required to register their crew in SailSys by 14:00 on day of racing. Any changes to the race briefing will be announced by radio at approximately 14:45 on day of racing.

14.1 Race Dates and warning signal times.

Date	Event	Warning Signal not Before
	Race 1 Monos	14:55
	Race 1 Multis	15:10
	Race 2 Monos	14:55
	Race 2 Multis	15:10
	Race 3 Monos	14:55
	Race 3 Multis	15:10
	Race 4 Monos	14:55
	Race 4 Multis	15:10

- 14.2. A race briefing will be published on the Kingfisher Bay Resort Night Race Series Facebook group no later than 1200 on day of racing. The race briefing will include a contact mobile phone number for the Race Officer, who will be available by phone to answer any questions between 1200 and 1400 on day of racing. The briefing will be emailed to skippers using the email contact provided on the entry form.
- 14.3. Skippers are required to provide full crew details, including emergency contact information via Sailsys. https://sailsys.tawk.help/category/crew-management"
- 14.4. Any changes to the race briefing will be announced by radio at approximately 1445 on day of racing.
- 14.5. The scheduled time of the warning signal on each day of racing will not be before:

1455 - Monohulls

1510 - Multihulls

15. Courses

- 15.1. The courses are described in Appendix A.
- 15.2. Courses will not be shortened. This changes RRS 32.

16. Marks

- 16.1. The Marks are described in Appendix B.
- 16.2. Vessels must observe a 20 metre exclusion zone around the following Aids to Navigation: Jeay's Reef Buoy (Mud Island North Cardinal) and Hope Banks Beacon.

17. The Start

- 17.1. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag or shape on the Race Committee boat and the Mud Island West Starboard Lateral buoy. The start direction will be in the direction of the course to the first mark of the course.
- 17.2. The Race Committee may nominate an alternate start mark and / or lay a start buoy. The Race Committee will advise all competitors of the start location and marks by radio.
- 17.3. A boat starting later than 30 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 & A5.
- 17.4. If any part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line during the two minutes before her starting signal and she is identified, the Race Committee will attempt to broadcast her sail number on VHF channel 72. Failure to make a broadcast or to time it accurately will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 17.5. Should one boat appear at the starting line for the race, the boat is entitled to sail the course and thereafter be declared the winner of the race.
- 17.6. A boat that is starting late may use her engine to get to the starting area. Any such boat must cease to use her engine before starting and at least 200 meters from the starting line. A boat shall report such circumstances to the Race Committee after finishing the race. The Race Committee will decide whether the boat shall be scored as a starter. This alters RRS 42.

18. The Finish









- 18.1. The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat and the Mud Island West Starboard Lateral buoy for the other end of the finish line.
- 18.2. The finish direction will be in the direction from the last mark of the course to the finish line.
- 18.3. Boats should attempt to contact the finish boat by radio when approaching the line and illuminate sail numbers so that boats can be identified.
- 18.4. Unless otherwise advised, the Race Committee boat will be anchored approximately 100 meters south of the Mud Island West Starboard Lateral.
- 18.5. The race committee boat shall notify Brisbane VTS on VHF channel 12 or 33051700 when first vessel approaches navigable channel and when last vessel has cleared the navigable channels.
- 18.6. If the Race Committee boat is no longer on station, boats shall pass within 50 meters of the Mud Island West Starboard Lateral buoy. The boat's finish time is to be taken when the boat is due south of the mark
- 18.7. When there is no Race Committee boat on station at the finish, boats are required to use mobile phone to text the Race Officer with a message advising the boat name and finish time.

19. Penalty system

- 19.1. During daylight hours RRS 44.1 will apply.
- 19.2. Between Sunset and Sunrise, a boat that concedes a penalty is required to complete and lodge a declaration to the Race Officer by text message when finishing and a 3 point penalty will be applied to their score. This changes RRS 63.1, A4 and A5.

20. Retirement

20.1. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee via radio or mobile text to the Race Officer

21. Scoring and results

- 21.1. The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 21.2. One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 21.3. Each boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.
- 21.4. Arbitrary handicaps (THCF) will be at the sole discretion of the Race Committee,
- 21.5. Any boat that has not paid the series entry fee by the start of the first race may not be counted in the series points score.
- 21.6. Any boat that has not paid for an individual race 3 days prior to the race they wish to enter, may have their result regarded as a "did not start".
- 21.7. Results will be posted to the <u>QCYC Website</u> and <u>the Kingfisher Bay Resort Night Race Series</u> Facebook group
- 21.8. Apply for group membership by clicking Join on the group link above.
- 21.9. Results will also be emailed to competitors who provide an email address.

22. Protests and Requests for Redress

- 22.1. Immediately after finishing a boat is required to contact the Race Officer and inform them of its intention to protest or request for redress.
- 22.2. Protest forms are available on the QCYC website https://www.qcyc.com.au/club-sailing-racing/summer-series-gold-cup-and-club-championship/ Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered by email to the PRO (francesmulcahy1@gmail.com) within 24 hours. Skippers will advise the Race Officer by SMS text message that they have lodged a protest of request for redress.
- 22.3. Within 48 hours of the expiry of the protest time limit, competitors who are parties to a hearing or named as witnesses will be notified by phone and informed of the location and time of the hearing.
- 22.4. Notices will be posted on the Kingfisher Bay Resort Night Race Series Facebook group no later than 48 hours after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. The notice will include the location of the protest room and the time of the hearing. It is the sole responsibility of the parties to the protest to present themselves to the hearing with such witnesses as they may require. Notices will also be emailed to parties involved.
- 22.5. Breaches of instructions 16, 17 & 18 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- 22.6. Requests for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 48 hours after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.









23. Presentation and trophies

- 23.1. It is intended that all entry fees will be allocated to fund prizes and trophies.
- 23.2. There will be prizes for the individual races and for the series.
- 23.3. Other prizes (including for short-handed sailing) will be presented at the discretion of the Race Committee. The awarding of any prizes shall be subject to the decision of the outstanding protests and appeals.
- 23.4. The presentation night will be held at Queensland Cruising Yacht Club. The date is to be determined, as close as possible after the last race. Bookings are essential. Further advice will be emailed closer to the date.

24. Further information

Enquiries should be directed to: The Race Organizer:_raceentries@qcyc.com.au

Enquiries about entry fees and entry process to raceentries@gcyc.com.au

Enquires about these instructions or race management should be addressed to the PRO Frances Mulcahy francesmulcahy1@gmail.com

Enquires about briefings to be directed to the RO of the day whose contact details appear in the briefing.

Appendix A: Courses

Race 1 8 Nov 2025

Start Line Mud Island West Starboard Lateral buoy Mud Island West Cardinal - pass to Starboard Mud Island North Cardinal - round to Starboard Mud Island East Cardinal - round to Starboard Hope Banks Racing buoy – round to Starboard *Cleveland Yellow - round to Port Peel Island - all marks to Port *Hanlon Light - leave to Port Hope Banks Racing buoy – round to Starboard St Helena East Flashing Red - leave to Port Finish at Mud Island West Starboard Lateral buoy

Race 2 31 Jan 2026

Start Line Mud Island West Starboard Lateral buoy Western Coffee Pot – round to **Starboard** Brisbane Road's West - round to **Starboard*** M8 – round to **Port**

* North Reef - round to Port

Mud Island East Cardinal – round to **Starboard***Mud Island South Green – round to **Starboard Finish** at Mud Island West Starboard Lateral buoy.

Race 3 28 Feb 2026

Start Line Mud Island West Starboard Lateral buoy Mud Island North Cardinal - round to **Starboard** Mud Island East Cardinal – round to **Starboard**

- * Hope Banks Racing buoy -round to Port
- * M8 round to Port

Brisbane Road's West - round to Port

* Western Coffee Pot - round to Port

Finish at Mud Island West Starboard Lateral buoy.









Chartlets are indicative only not suitable for navigation

RACE 1-8th November 2025 COURSE MAP BRISBANE⁹8 PORT LIMIT MORETON BAN Start MORETON BAY Race 2 Start Line Mud Island West Starboard Lateral buoy Mud Island West Cardinal – pass to Starboard Mud Island North Cardinal - round to Starboard Mud Island East Cardinal - round to Starboard Hope Banks Racing buoy – round to Starboard *Cleveland Yellow - round to Port Peel Island -all marks to Port *Hanlon Light - leave to Port Hope Banks Racing buoy - round to Starboard St Helena East Flashing Red - leave to Port Finish at Mud Island West Starboard Lateral buoy

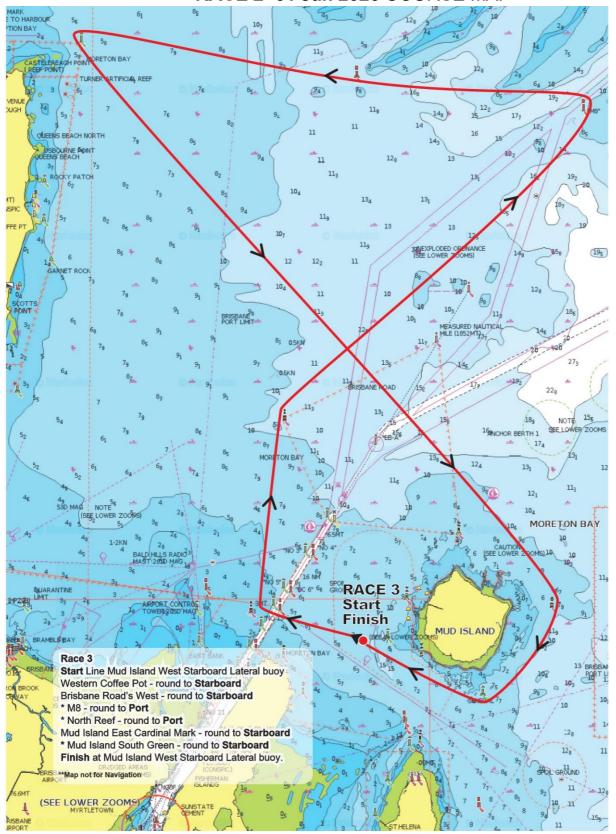








RACE 2 -31 Jan 2026 COURSE MAP



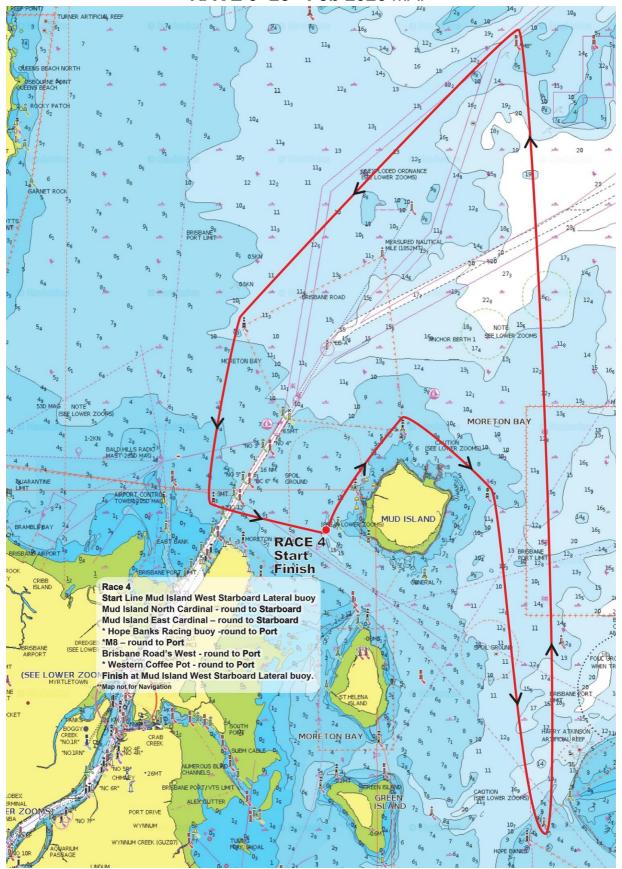








RACE 3 -28th Feb 2026 MAP











Appendix B: Marks

Designated Marks used in Inter Club Night Race Series

Description	Approximate Position	
Mud Island South, Starboard Lateral (FI G 2.5s)	27°21.43S	153°15.35E
Mud Island West, Starboard Lateral (FI G 2.5s)	27°20.53S	153°13.60E
Mud Island West Cardinal (Q (9) 15s)	27°19.9S	153°13.9E
Mud Island North Cardinal (Jeays Reef Buoy) (Q)	27°18.8S	153°14.95E
Mud Island East Cardinal (Q (3) 10s)	27°20.0S	153°16.6E
Brisbane Road's West (FI(2) 6s)	27°17.0S	153°11.7E
Pearl Channel Beacon (aka South West Spit) (FI R 2.5S)	27°11.5S	153°13.0E
North Reef (aka Castlereagh Point Beacon) (FI G 4s)	27°11.0S	153°07.9E
Brisbane Channel beacon No.11 (Green)	27°19.9S	
(aka Western Coffee Pot Beacon or River Entrance Channel) (FI G 4s)		153°11.5E
Cleveland Yellow (FI Y 3s)	27°30.9S	153°18.2E
Hanlon Light Beacon (FI R 6s)	27°28.2S	153°21.0E
Hope Banks Racing Buoy LFL 10s NB	27°25.8S	153°17.76E
St Helena Red Beacon - Red Buoy off East Side (FI R2.5s)	27°23.2S	153°15.2E
Sand Hills Recreation Mark (SHRM) (LFL 10s)	27°22.6S	153°18.1E
M8 Port Lateral Beacon (FI R 2.5s)	27°12.092S	153°17.212E

NB See Notice to mariners here

Appendix C - BRISBANE HARBOUR PROCEDURES

The Port of Brisbane is closely regulated. Competitors are expected to be familiar with the following regulations and Port procedures:

3.3.8 Recreational vessels reporting. A recreational ship equipped with VHF radio is required to maintain a listening watch on VHF channel 16 and either channel 12 or 13 depending on its area of operation.

Between the pilot boarding ground at Point Cartwright (Mooloolaba) and Bretts wharf, a recreational ship fitted with a VHF radio must maintain a listening watch on VHF channel 12 prior when navigating in, or near a shipping channel. When operating in and along a shipping channel, the recreational ship should navigate on the outer edge of the channel.

For reasons of safety, a recreational ship should only cross a shipping channel at recommended locations and at 90° to the channel (refer to MSQ Boating Maps, formerly Beacon to Beacon, Guides for recommended crossings).

Additionally Participating vessels must keep at least 1km clear of ship to ship transfer vessels anchored at STS 1 anchorage.

Approx. Lat 27°17' S Long 153°17' E (north of Mud island).

Full section available at URL below

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Appendix D - Emergency Contacts

Shipping Inspectors & Enforcement Officers - VHF CH 13

- Brisbane Water Police 3895 0333
- Boating and Fisheries Patrol 3330 4210
- MSQ Operations 3632 7500 A/H 3305 1700
- MSQ Regional Harbour Master VHF CH 13 VHF CH 12 see VHF coverage map 3632 7500
- Brisbane Vessel Traffic Services (VTS Brisbane) VHF CH 12 and 16 and ph 3305 1700
- Vessel Traffic Manager 3305 1704

Emergency Services

- If you dial 000, be prepared to give GPS coordinates and remember to state you are in Moreton Bay in Queensland.
- Queensland Ambulance Service (Non Emergency) 13 74 68
- Fire & Rescue Brisbane Regional (Non Emergency) 3635 1906
- Wynnum District Water Police 3895 0333
- VMR Sandgate VMR401 monitors VHF 16, 21, 63, 67, 73 & 81 from 0600 to 1700 weekends
- VMR Sandgate Emergency After Hours Phone 0428 022 881
- CoastGuard Brisbane (Manly) VMR402 monitors VHF 16, 21, 63, 67, 73 & 81 from 0600 to 1800 weekends
- CoastGuard Brisbane (Manly) Emergency After Hours Phone 0404 466 000
- CoastGuard Redcliffe VMR403 monitors VHF 16, 21, 63, 67, 73 & 81 from 0400 to 2000 weekends - phone 3203 5522
- Australian Sailing (not open weekends) (Manly) 3393 6788

Brisbane Port Procedures and Information for Shipping

https://www.msq.qld.gov.au/Shipping/Port-procedures/Port-procedures-brisbane