

# QCYC 48th Vintage Yacht Regatta 2023

## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Friday 14th to Sunday 16th July 2023

**1. RULES**

- i. The Regatta will be governed by:
  - i. the Invitation to Enter and these Sailing/Event Instructions
  - ii. for sailing boats, the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing and amended in these Sailing Instructions.
  - iii. the Yachting Australia Prescriptions and Special Regulations Part 1, Category 6 as amended by the Invitation to Enter.
  - iv. whilst a boat is operating under its engine, the International Regulations for Prevention of Collision at Sea will apply.
- ii. Changes to The Racing Rules of Sailing
  - i. RRS 26 is changed as per Appendix Three
  - ii. RRS 29.1 is changed as per SI10.iv
  - iii. RRS32 is changed as per SI12
  - iv. RRS 35 is changed as per SI11
  - v. RRS A2 is changed as per SI14.i
- iii. Should a Strong Wind Warning be current, non self-righting boats will be unable to compete.
- iv. The Organising Authority (QCYC Inc.) reserves the right to amend this document up until the start of Race 1 of the Regatta.



**2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

- i. Notices to competitors will be posted on Regatta website and at the Clubhouse administration office window.


**3. BRIEFING AND SIGNING ON**

- i. There is no skippers briefing scheduled. Any briefing items will be given by way of electronic communication.
- ii. Skippers are not required to sign on however, skippers not intending to race on any given day should inform the Regatta Director.
- iii. Crew Register forms must be submitted either online or via the form provided at Appendix 5.

**4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- i. Before the first race of the day, flag AP with two sounds means "Racing has been postponed." 
- ii. Following a postponement before the first race of the day, Flag W with one sound means "The warning signal will be made approximately 60 minutes after flag W is displayed". 

**5. ORAL INSTRUCTIONS**

- i. At any time prior to the warning signal for a race/event, the Regatta Director may make alteration to the Sailing Instructions. This will be signified by displaying Code Flag L from the committee vessel. All entrants shall come within hail and receive instructions. These instructions will also be announced via VHF Ch. 77. 

**6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

DATE	EVENT	TIME
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Welcome Party - Bar & Restaurant Open	1130 till late table bookings essential in Restaurant
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Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Navigation Trial One	1030
	Race One	1045 first start
	Race Two – Otter Rock Chase	Following short break after Race One
	Live Music	1800
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Bar & Restaurant	0730 till 1800
	Navigation Trial Two	930
	Race Three	945 first start
	Race Four	Following short break after Race Three
	Presentation	Approx. 1530

NOTE: All start times are subject to change

**7. DIVISIONS**

- i. The sailing fleet will be divided into the following divisions:

- i. Division One – Vintage Yachts
- ii. Division Two – Small Keel Boats
- iii. Division Three – Classic Yachts
- iv. Division Four – Open Boats

The Navigation Trials fleet will be in a single division.

**8. THE COURSES & MARKS**

- i. Sailing Divisions One and Three shall sail the Long Courses.
- ii. Sailing Division Two and Four shall sail the Short Courses.
- iii. Sailing Division Courses are described in Appendix One
- iv. Navigation Trial Courses are described in Appendix Two
- v. For Sailing divisions, the Official Vessel will display numeral pennants to correspond with the course number to be sailed

**9. NAVIGATION TRIALS**

The use of electronic equipment for the purpose of identifying the vessels speed and direction over the ground, position on the course, and making associated navigation calculations is allowed. Vessel handling electronic equipment, principally auto pilots and automatic speed control throttles are prohibited.

A predicted log made on the provided form shall be supplied to the Regatta Director on the day prior to each event.

- i. The log for the Saturday event shall be supplied via email prior to 11pm Friday.
- ii. The log for the Sunday event shall be supplied via email or in person prior to 11pm Saturday.

All vessels must enter onto the log a Nominated Speed that is roughly 2/3rds of the vessels maximum sustainable speed in normal competition trim or higher.

No variation of speed or course is permitted except to counter the effects of current, tide, wind, depth of water, interference from other vessels, the intrusion of banks or drying land into the course, compliance with navigation and right of way rules, or other factors beyond a vessel's control that affect her nominated speed.

When two or more vessels are approaching a mark, beacon, buoy or navigation turning

point and are overlapped, the inside vessel(s) must be given sufficient sea room to pass or complete the turn when a course change is required.

A competitor must take their own time at each turning mark and at the finish. Marks must be passed within 100m.

After crossing the finish line, boats must present their timing sheets to the Regatta Director within one hour of him arriving on shore or the boat finishing, whichever is later.

**10. START & FINISH**

- i. Races and Trials will be started as per Appendix Three. The warning flag for each start is:
  - a. Navigation Trials – Green Flag
  - b. Sailing Long course – Yellow Flag
  - c. Sailing Short course – Red Flag
- ii. The Starting and Finishing Line are described in the course descriptions and will be located near to the Cabbage Tree Creek leads.
- iii. The Start Boat may have a protection buoy (barging buoy) near its stern. Competitors must not pass between this buoy and the start boat.
- iv. Any boat that crosses the starting line in the direction of the course less than 1 minute from her starting signal will be considered as having started and will be penalized as follows:
  - a. Sailing Divisions: 5 minutes on elapsed time.
  - b. Navigation Trial Division: 20 penalty points

Restarting is not an option. The exception to this rule is in the case of a General Recall. This changes RRS29.

**11. TIME LIMITS**

- i. Boats still competing at dusk will be deemed to have not finished and score a Did Not Finish.
- ii. Sailing Divisions Mark One time limit: If the first boat in each division has not reached Mark One in 30 minutes, the race shall be abandoned.
- iii. Sailing Divisions Race Time limit: If the first boat in each division has not reached the finish in 120 minutes, the race shall be abandoned.
- iv. Sailing Divisions Finishing Window: Boats that have not finished 50 mins after the

second boat in their division sails the course and finishes will score a Did Not Finish.

- v. The Regatta Director may, in exceptional circumstances, extend any of the time limits. This will be announced on VHF 77.

## 12. SHORTENED COURSES

RRS Rule 32 is amended to read as follows:

Sailing Courses 1 thru 6 and 8 and Navigational Courses

- i. The Regatta Director may alter or shorten the course at any time and for any reason during the race.
- ii. The course may be altered or shortened at any mark of the course.
- iii. An Official Vessel MAY be on station at the new finish mark
- iv. If an Official Vessel is NOT on station at the new finish mark, then all boats are to take their own finish time when abeam of and within 100m of the designated mark that is the new finish mark.
- v. The mark is to be left on the side as designated in the initial course description.
- vi. A shortened or altered course will be announced on VHF 77
- vii. Failure of a competitor to acknowledge or receive the notice of course alteration or shortening will not be grounds for redress.

## 13. PROTESTS

- i. Protests must be made properly as per RRS61.
- ii. Protests shall be delivered to the Regatta Director within one hour of the protesting yacht finishing the race. If this is impractical, the protesting yacht shall advise the finishing officials of its intentions.
- iii. In the spirit of the Regatta, informal mediation between the parties once ashore is strongly encouraged. Should this fail then Appendix T of the RRS will apply.

## 14. SCORING

- i. For the Sailing Divisions, the Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply except that a boat's score will be the total of all races scored. This changes RRS A2.
- ii. For the Navigation Trial Division, a boat shall incur penalty points as follows:
  - i. One penalty point for every second early or late at any check point.
  - ii. The points allocated shall be multiplied by one-tenth of the vessels nominated speed

- iii. Added to this shall be added any penalty points incurred.
- iv. The boat obtaining the lowest number of points shall be the winner of the event.
- iii. For all divisions, one (1) race/event is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.

## 15. ADDITIONAL SAFETY PROVISIONS

- i. No anchors are allowed to overhang the bow while competing. Exemptions to this requirement may be granted upon application at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority.

For safety reasons, sailing boats may run their engines in neutral at any time during the race. Engines may be put into gear and thrusters may be used at any time during the race for a boat to take action in order to avoid collision.

A sailing boat that puts her engine in gear or uses her thruster at any time while racing shall submit a written declaration of "engine use" to the Regatta Director as soon as practical after racing, stating the time the engine was in gear or thruster used, the reason for using it and the duration of use. The Regatta Director will review all such declarations to determine whether any competitive advantage was gained.

## 16. RETIREMENTS

- i. A boat that retires from a race/event shall notify the race committee on VHF77 as soon as possible.

## 17. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- i. The Race Committee may transmit and receive race information & time checks on VHF Ch. 77.
- ii. The call sign for the start boat shall be 'QCYC Start Boat'

## 18. CONCOURS D'ELÉGANCE

- i. Judging for the Concours d'Elégance element of the Regatta will occur whilst boats are berthed at the marina on Saturday morning and evening and Sunday morning.
- ii. Competitors are encouraged to bring additional small craft to display them on the lawn area adjacent to the slipway within the QCYC grounds. Please identify them in some way. There is no additional entry charge.

**19. PRIZES**

- i. Regatta Placings:
  - i. Prizes will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> in each of the Divisions based on points as per section 14.
  - ii. For divisions with more than 5 boats, 3<sup>rd</sup> place shall also be awarded.
  - iii. Skite plates will be awarded for the first three positions in each division irrespective of number of boats in the division.
  - iv. The winner in Division One shall receive the Ted Rice Shield
  - v. The winner in Division Two shall receive the Williams Trophy
- ii. Line Honours:
  - i. Prizes and Skite Plates shall be awarded for Overall Line Honours for the Regatta for each Sailing Division.
  - ii. In Division One the Deagon Slipways Trophy shall be awarded.
  - iii. In Division Two the Australiawide Boat Sales Trophy shall be awarded.
- iii. Concours d'Elégance awards will be presented in the following categories:
  - i. Best presented wooden vessel overall – Albert Jeays Trophy
  - ii. Best presented Vintage vessel – Marco Polo Shield
  - iii. Best presented gaff – National Trust Shield
  - iv. Best presented small boat – Wasson Shield
  - v. Best presented wooden spars – WBAQ trophy. Criteria:
    1. Must have a wooden main mast plus two of the following:
      - a. Foremast
      - b. Mizzen
      - c. Boom
      - d. Spinnaker Pole
      - e. Gaff pole
      - f. Jockey pole
      - g. Bowsprit
      - h. Bumpkin
    2. Spars must have a clear finish wood.
    3. Spars cannot be composite.
- iv. Other awards:
  - i. Best performance by a QCYC boat (awarded to lowest point score)
  - ii. The 'Most Competitive Yacht Award' will be awarded to the winner of the most competitive division which has at least 7 entrants. The most competitive division is

- the division with the least corrected time difference between 1st and 4th place added together for each of the races.
- iii. Best scratch performance by an Amity Yacht – Amity Trophy
- iv. Most improved performance as judged by the Race Committee
- v. Furthest Distance Travelled – Frauen Trophy (only awarded in the case of significant distance)
- vi. Spirit of the Regatta award as judged by the Race Committee
- vii. Smallest boat to complete at least  $\frac{3}{4}$  of all races
- viii. Oldest boat to complete at least  $\frac{3}{4}$  of all races
- ix. Best start of any race
- x. Misfortune award
- v. The main Presentation Ceremony will occur at the Club at approximately 1530hrs on Sunday.

**20. DEPTHS IN CHANNEL INTO CABBAGE TREE CREEK**

- i. Depths though the channel are good with at least 2m LAT available. There is a shallow spot off the VMR building
- ii. The QCYC Marina has good levels of water. Despite this, deep draft vessels should check with the Club before entering a specific berth.
- iii. Tides:

15 <sup>th</sup> July	16 <sup>th</sup> July
High 07:41 1.67m	High 08:30 1.68m
Low 13:41 0.47m	Low 14:24 0.46 m

**21. DISCLAIMER OF ENTRY**

It shall be the sole responsibility of the skipper to ensure the safety of his vessel and crew at all times. Further it shall be the sole responsibility of each vessel to decide whether or not to start or continue in the event. Participation in the event is acceptance of these responsibilities. It shall be the sole responsibility of each skipper and crew to decide whether to participate or continue in an event.

All those taking part do so at their own risk and responsibility. QCYC is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a vessel or the sufficiency or adequacy of her equipment or crew. The skipper, owner and crew do hereby indemnify QCYC, its officers, committees, servants and

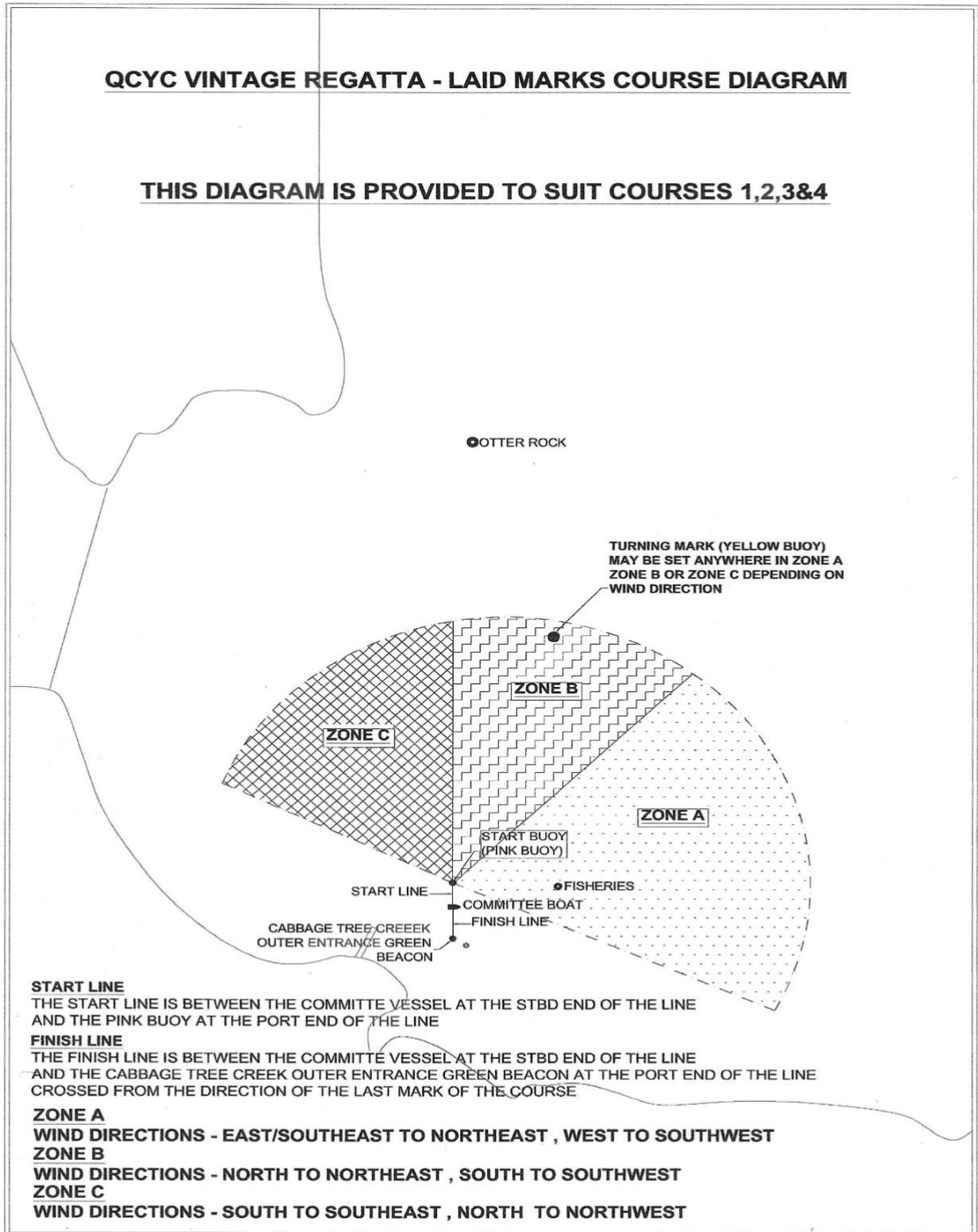
sponsors against any claim for damages to their vessel, property or personal injuries they may sustain, suffer or inflict on others.

minimum cover of \$10,000,000 (ten million dollars) per event or the equivalent.

## 22. **INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a

## APPENDIX ONE – Sailing Division Courses



## Numeral One

### LONG COURSE

From start  
 Fisheries Beacon Leave to PORT  
 Turning Mark Leave to PORT  
 Start Buoy Leave to PORT  
 Turning Mark Leave to PORT  
 Start Buoy Leave to PORT  
 Fisheries Beacon Leave to STBD  
 To Finish

### SHORT COURSE

From start  
 Fisheries Beacon Leave to PORT  
 Turning Mark Leave to PORT  
 Start Buoy Leave to PORT  
 Fisheries Beacon Leave to STBD  
 To Finish

## Numeral Two

### LONG COURSE

From start  
 Fisheries Beacon Leave to PORT  
 Turning Mark Leave to PORT  
 Start Buoy Leave to PORT  
 Fisheries Beacon Leave to PORT  
 Turning Mark Leave to PORT  
 Start Buoy Leave to PORT  
 Fisheries Beacon Leave to STBD  
 To Finish

### SHORT COURSE

From start  
 Fisheries Beacon Leave to PORT  
 Turning Mark Leave to PORT  
 Start Buoy Leave to PORT  
 Fisheries Beacon Leave to STBD  
 To Finish

## Numeral Three

### LONG COURSE

From start  
 Fisheries Beacon Leave to PORT  
 Turning Mark Leave to PORT  
 Fisheries Beacon Leave to PORT  
 Turning Mark Leave to PORT  
 Start Buoy Leave to PORT  
 Fisheries Beacon Leave to STBD  
 To Finish

### SHORT COURSE

From start  
 Fisheries Beacon Leave to PORT  
 Turning Mark Leave to PORT  
 Start Buoy Leave to PORT  
 Fisheries Beacon Leave to STBD  
 To Finish



## Numeral Four

### LONG COURSE

From start  
 Fisheries Beacon      Leave to STBD  
 Start Boat              Leave to STBD  
 Turning Mark          Leave to STBD  
 Fisheries Beacon      Leave to STBD  
 Start Buoy              Leave to STBD  
 Fisheries Beacon      Leave to STBD  
 To Finish

### SHORT COURSE

From start  
 Fisheries Beacon      Leave to STBD  
 Start Boat              Leave to STBD  
 Turning Mark          Leave to STBD  
 Fisheries Beacon      Leave to STBD  
 To Finish

## Numeral Five

### LONG COURSE

From the start – Leave Fisheries to Port -  
 Leave Woody Point Yellow to starboard -  
 Leave Fisheries Beacon to starboard –  
 Leave Start Buoy (pink buoy) to starboard,  
 Leave Fisheries Beacon to Stbd - To the  
 finish

### SHORT COURSE

From the start – Leave Fisheries Beacon  
 to Port - Leave Woody Point Yellow to  
 starboard – Leave Fisheries Beacon to  
 starboard – to the finish

Start Line

Between Start boat (stbd end of line) and  
 pink buoy (port end of line).

Finish Line

Between Cabbage Tree Creek Outer  
 Entrance Green Beacon (port end of line)  
 and the Start Boat (stbd end of line).

## APPENDIX TWO—NAVIGATION TRIAL COURSES

### Saturday

- From the start
- Leave Fisheries to Port – time to be taken when beacon is due west of boat
- To GPS waypoint 27 19.20 153 05.35 (approx. off Shorncliffe Pier)
- To GPS waypoint 27 17.60 153 04.70 (approx. off Brighton Beach)
- Leave Otter Rock Beacon to Port – time to be taken when beacon is due west of boat
- To GPS waypoint 27 15.90 153 05.40 (approx. off Clontarf Boat Ramp)
- Leave Fisheries Beacon to Starboard – time to be taken when beacon is due west of boat
- To Finish – between Red and Green beacon of the outer most leads of Cabbage Tree Creek (approx. position 27 19.58 153 05.68)

### Sunday











- From the start
- Leave Fisheries to Starboard – time to be taken when beacon is due west of boat
- Leave Green Lateral Beacon at 27 20.01 153 06.92 to Port – time to be taken when beacon is due north of boat
- Leave Yellow mark at 27 16.16 153 06.86 to Port – time to be taken when beacon is due south of boat
- Leave Otter Rock Green Lateral Beacon to Starboard – time to be taken when beacon is due north of boat
- To GPS waypoint 27 16.80 153 05.1070 (approx. off South Pine River entrance)
- To Finish – between Red and Green beacon of the outer most leads of Cabbage Tree Creek (approx. position 27 19.58 153 05.68)

## APPENDIX THREE– FLAGS AND SOUND SIGNALS


### *STARTING PROCEDURE*

The start procedure for ALL divisions is as below noting that:






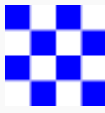






- The **Navigation Trial** start will use a Green Flag (rather than the yellow flag as pictured). The Warning signal will be not before 10.25am each day.
- The **Sailing Long Course** start will use a Yellow flag as pictured. The warning signal for the first race of the day will be not before 10.40am.
- The **Sailing Short Course** start will use a Red Flag (rather than the yellow flag as pictured). The Warning signal will be 5 minutes after the start of the Sailing Long course.

Flag signal	Number of sound signals when raised	Number of sound signals when lowered	Description
 Green/Yellow/Red ↑			Warning Signal. 5 minutes to race start.
  P ↑			Preparatory signal. 4 minutes to start.
  P ↓			Preparatory signal. P flag removed. 1 minute before start.
 Green/Yellow/Red ↓			Start Signal. start when Yellow Flag dropped

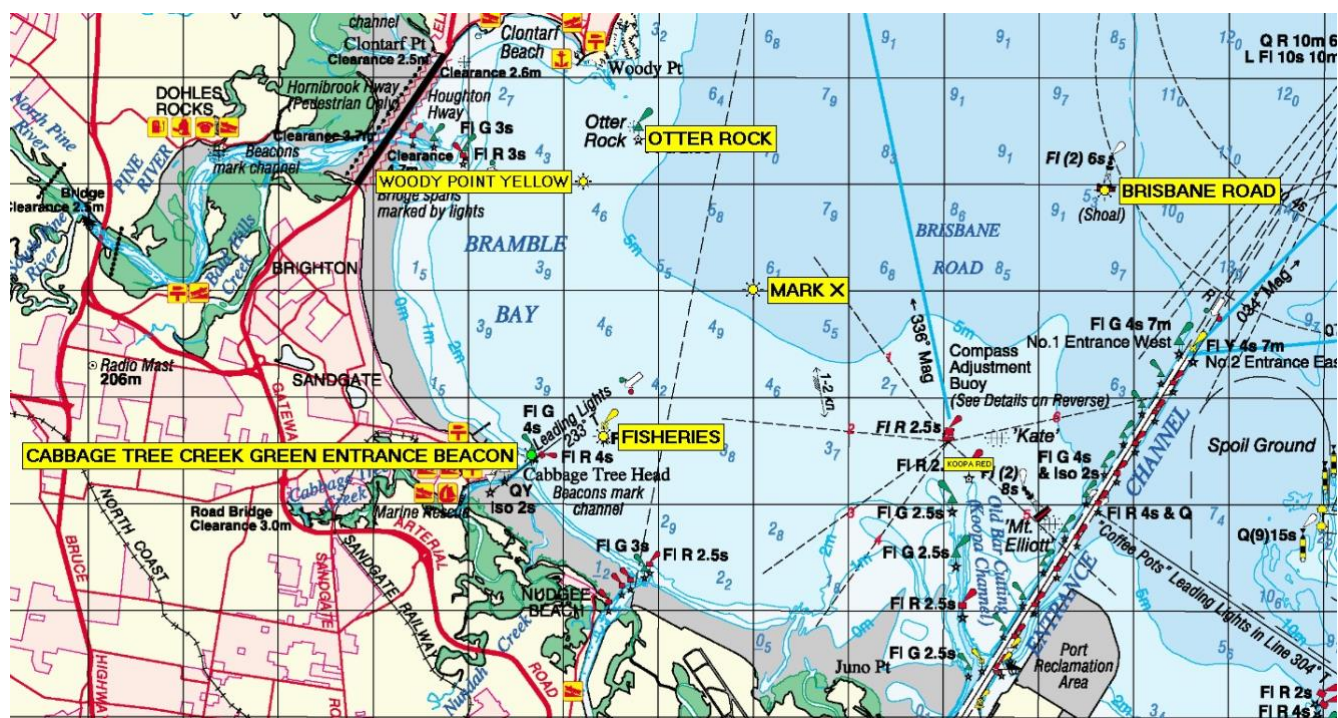
### *FINISHES – Sailing Divisions Only*

Flag signal	Number of sound signals when raised	Number of sound signals when lowered	Description
			When a boat finishes the race, they will receive a short sound signal as they cross the start/finish line.

**OTHER SIGNALS**

Flag signal	Number of sound signals when raised	Number of sound signals when lowered	Description
<b>RECALLS (there is no individual recall)</b>			
	1st Sub 		<p><b>General recall.</b> All boats are to return and then a new start sequence will begin from the Warning Signal onwards. Signalled when there are unidentified boats over the line or there has been an error in the starting procedure. The new warning signal will be made 1 minute after the 1st substitute is removed.</p> <p>Should the recall be for the SAILING LONG COURSE race, the SAILING SHORT COURSE start will be after the repeated SAILING LONG COURSE start</p> <p>Note there is no General Recall for the Navigation Trial Division</p>
<b>SHORTENED COURSE</b>			
	S 		<p>When displayed at a rounding mark the finish is between the nearby mark and the boat displaying the S flag. Boats will be finished in the normal manner.</p> <p>Note a shorten course may not apply to all divisions.</p>
<b>ABANDONMENT</b>			
	N 		All races are abandoned. No more racing today
<b>POSTPONED</b>			
	AP 		Races not yet started are postponed.
<b>NOTICE POSTED</b>			
	L 		<p>When displayed afloat means: Come within hail or follow this boat.</p> <p>When displayed ashore means: A notice to competitors has been posted.</p>

## APPENDIX FOUR – KEY MARKS



Mark	Description	Approx Position
Fisheries Beacon	Special Yellow Mark Fl(4) Y 10s	27 19 41S 153 06 44E
Otter Rock Beacon	Starboard Lateral Beacon Fl G 2.5s	27 16 58S 153 06 77E
Brisbane Roads Buoy	Isolated Danger Mark Fl(2) 6s	27 17 08S 153 11 71E
Woody Point Yellow	Yellow Buoy (Fl Y 3s) – located SW of Otter Rock Beacon	27 16 97S 153 06 22E
Koopa Channel Red	Port Lateral Beacon (Fl R2.5s)	27 19 75S 153 10 27E
Mark "X"	Laid Yellow Inflatable Buoy – located approx.. 1.9NM NE of Fisheries Beacon	27 17 99S 153 08 01E

