



**BALMAIN SAILING CLUB
NOTICE OF SERIES
'2018 SHORT HANDED YACHTS SUMMER SERIES'**

An invitation is extended to owners of eligible boats to enter the '*2018 Short Handed Yachts Summer Series*'.

A series comprising of 6 inshore races for yachts with a minimum of 2 crew and a maximum of 3 crew.

1. Organising Authority

The Organising Authority is the Balmain Sailing Club ("**BSC**").

2. Race Schedule

Race 1	21 January 2018
Race 2	4 February
Race 3	18 February
Race 4	4 March
Race 5	18 March
Race 6	1 April

3. Divisions

Racing will be conducted in divisions determined by the number of entries received.

4. Rules

The races will be governed by the *rules*, as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 - 2020 ("**RRS**") of the International Sailing Federation (ISAF), and the prescriptions and regulations of Australian Sailing ("**Special Regulations**") these may be amended by the Notice of Series and the Sailing Instructions.

The sailing instructions will be available on the BSC website prior to the 21st of January 2018.

The Sailing Committee of the BSC will be the Race Committee under the RRS.

Changes to the RRS:

RRS 50.2 and 50.3: Fixed and retractable spinnaker poles and bowsprits will be permitted for the purpose of setting asymmetrical spinnakers.

5. Courses

The courses shall be as detailed in the *2018 Short Handed Yachts Summer Series Sailing Instructions*.

6. Handicaps / Scoring

Scoring for the series will be determined using Performance Based Handicapping ('PHS') with handicaps based on time correction factors ('TCF') as determined by the Sailing Committee. The Race Committee *may* also use a measurement based, fixed Event Handicap ('EHC').

7. Eligibility

Yachts shall comply with the Special Regulations Part 1 for Race Category 7. An audited Special Regulations Equipment Form for Category 7 (or higher) shall accompany the entry form if not already held by the Drummoyne Sailing Club, Balmain Sailing Club, Greenwich Flying Squadron (GFS), or Parramatta River Sailing Club (PRSC).

The minimum number of crew is 2. The Maximum number of crew is 3.

Yachts must nominate the number of crew that they will race with at the time of entering.

All competitors and their crew will hold a current 2017-2018 membership with Australian Sailing.

8. Trophies and Prizes

Prizes may be awarded to the first, second and third placing boats in each division at the BSC following the race depending on the number of entries.

Trophies may also be awarded to first, second and third placing in the Series Pointscore in each Division.

The pointscore series is only open to series entries.

9. Results and List of Entries

Results will be published on the BSC's website.

10. Entry & Entry Fees

Entry should be completed using the Top Yacht Entry System ('TES') via the link on the BSC's website [here](#).

Block Series Entry Fee: \$60.00

Casual Entry Fee: \$20.00