

## Whitsunday Offshore Yacht Racing Circuit

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2016

### NOTICE OF RACE

1. Whitsunday Sailing Club Ltd, Mackay Yacht Club, Hamilton Island Cruising Yacht Club and North Queensland Cruising Yacht Club, as the joint organising authority, invite owners of suitably found boats to apply for entry in the Whitsunday Offshore Yacht Racing Circuit (WOYRC) Series.

2. The series will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of Australian Sailing (AS) (except as these are changed by the sailing instructions), and the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions are available through the above mentioned clubs.

3. This race series is classified as a Category "4" in accordance with AS Special Regulations Part 1 – For racing boats (2013- 2016). Safety Compliance Certificates must be on file at one of the above mentioned clubs.

4. There may be three Divisions. At least 3 boats are required to form any Division.

- PHS Multihulls Division 1
- PHS Monohull Division 2
- PHS Monohull Division 3

Boats will be allocated to divisions subject to entries. Competitor lists for each division will be published prior to the first race.

5. The schedule of races is as follows:

- Race 1 Bowen to Airlie Beach: 1<sup>st</sup> October 2016. Warning signal 0755
- Race 2 Airlie Beach to Hamilton Island: 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2016. Warning signal 0855
- Race 3 Hamilton Island to Mackay: 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2016. Warning signal 0755

The charts required are AUS 252, AUS 253, AUS 249, AUS 370, AUS 825, AUS 268

6. A Competitors Meeting will be held at:

- Race 1- North Queensland Cruising Yacht Club – 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at 1930 hours
- Race 2 - Whitsunday Sailing Club – 1<sup>st</sup> October 2016 following Race 1 Presentation
- Race 3 - Hamilton Island Cruising Yacht Club – 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2016 following Race 1 Presentation

7. Handicaps shall be allocated according to the speed potential of each boat, and will be allocated by a handicapping committee from all host clubs.

8. The Low Point Scoring System (Appendix A4) will apply with all races to count for the series.

9. Prizes generously donated by sponsors may be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd on handicap in each division for each race (depending on the number of divisions) and for the overall series. Race 3 and overall presentation will be held at Mackay Yacht Club as soon as possible after the completion of Race 3.

10. Entries (\$60 for Series or \$25 per race) accepted by email

([sailing@whitsundaysailingclub.com.au](mailto:sailing@whitsundaysailingclub.com.au)), or at any of the host clubs. Entries close on 23rd September 2016. Late entries may be accepted up to 30th September 2016. Payment to be made prior to the first race.

11. Copies of current insurance certificates are required to be supplied with entry forms (for the marinas)



