



# Queenscliff Lonsdale Yacht Club

## Winter Race Series

**2017**

**(Crew Points and Yacht Aggregate)**

### Race Dates

**Race 1      June 18**

**Race 2      July 9**

**Race 3      July 30**

**Race 4      Aug 20**

**Race 5      Sept 10**

**Presentation Dinner      Saturday Sept 16**

**Races start time 11.30pm At the Grass Beds**

**Start line between the committee boat and laid buoy or as nominated.**

**There will be an informal coffee at Lix Café in the harbour at 10am to ensure crews sign on and to have made arrangements for changing yachts.**

**Should a race be abandoned the race will be re-sailed on the following Sunday.**

### Introduction:

This Winter Race Series is to be conducted Queenscliff Lonsdale Yacht Club (QLYC). There are 5 races planned on the calendar.

### Courses

The course will be set on the water, giving consideration to winds and tides on the day, using the courses identified on the standard set of white course sheets. **The Course for the day will be notified by radio from a nominated committee boat, or on a notice board on the starboard side of the committee boat.**

### Sign On

All yachts **must fly the club burgee** to identify that they are racing. **A list of all on board must be transmitted on VHF Ch72 to the nominated committee boat**, prior to the 5 minute warning flag and sound signal (where these devices are used), to ensure crew names are recorded by the OOD.



### **Sign Off**

All yachts who do not complete the course must sign off by radio to the OOD on Swan.

### **Race duration**

The course on the day will be set considering the slowest or lowest performance handicap for participating yachts, so they will finish within a 2.5 hours time period.

### **Participants**

This winter series is a crew's point and yacht aggregate scoring system. **To be eligible for the crew award a crew member must sail on at least 2 different yachts during the series. The Yacht aggregate is calculated using the low points system.**

### **Race Rules**

QLYC sailing instructions and Yachting Australia Rules (Blue Book), race rules will be observed throughout the race series. This is a non-spinnaker series as crew may alternate between yachts.

### **Race Results**

The race results will be recorded, and displayed on the Clubs web site. The calculation, by the Club Handicapper, will be based on a Club Performance Handicap System.

### **After Race De-brief**

To assist with crew changes and do the traditional re-sail and de-brief, it is planned for all competing crews to meet at the Yacht Club within the hour after the last boat finishes the race. This also allows an opportunity to arrange crew changes for the next race.

### **Series scoring**

The winning yacht and placegetters for each race, on corrected time, will be awarded the points for each crew member and the skipper participating in the relevant race i.e. for the yacht that comes 1<sup>st</sup>, every member on that vessel on that day receives one point. The crew/s member with the lowest number of aggregated points will be the series winner/s.

In the case of a participating crew member being absent on any scheduled race day, the crew member will be penalised the highest crew number available on the day plus 2.

Each crew member and yacht will be given an opportunity to drop **the highest single race score** from their aggregated score. The lowest scores of each crew member will be tallied at the end of the series, the club awarding 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places.

Standard low points scoring will apply to the competing yachts.

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