MANLY 16FT SKIFF SAILING CLUB

NOTICE OF RACE

2026/2027 SEASON

16ft and 13ft Skiffs

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Record of Amendment

Revision	Date	Change Summary
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[NP] denotes a rule that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

[DP] denotes a rule that the penalty for a breach of the rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. This changes RRS 60.5(c).

[SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the Race Committee or Technical Committee without a hearing. This changes RRS 60.5(c) and A5.

1. RULES

1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, the Club Constitution, Sailing By-Laws (SBL), Policy Documents and Manuals of the Club, the rules of the relevant 16ft Skiff and 13ft Skiff Class Associations except as any of these are changed by this Notice of Race ("NoR") or are altered by the Sailing Instructions.

1.2 The following subparagraph is added to RRS 41 "Outside Help" (e): "On course coaching of 13ft skiff crews who are new to the class is authorised by the Race Committee".

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available prior to the first race of the season. A link to the club website will be notified to all boats.

3. COMMUNICATION

3.1 The online Official Notice Board is located at www.manly16s.com.au

3.2 Additional communications may be sent via the official WhatsApp notification system. The WhatsApp group name is "Manly 16s 13s" and the link is https://chat.whatsapp.com/FfweUWFnryk0fEonkq3BtU?mode=gi_t

3.3 If you are already a member from last season there is no need to join again.

3.4 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make or receive voice or data transmissions that are not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 Entries

4.1.1 The races are open to boats of the 16ft Skiff and 13ft Skiff classes.

4.1.2 Clauses 12.2, 12.3 or 12.4 of the Australian 13ft Skiff Association Class Rules defining the age eligibility for a skipper or crew will not apply in any Point Score or Non-Point Score (NPS) races held by the Club. If, however, two males are sailing together, only one may be older than 26 years of age at the commencement of the current sailing season.

4.1.3 Eligible boats may enter by registering and completing the relevant Class Association and Club registration documents. Club registration documents are to be completed

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electronically at https://manly16s.com.au and the Class Association registration documents at https://skiffs.org.au/racehub

4.1.4 Boats who fail to enter correctly by 30th September 2026 will have all races sailed as a visitor (casual), prior to this date, and, all races after this date until the boat has been properly registered and the registration documents are verified by the Sailing Committee.

4.2 Casual Entries

4.2.1 Casual entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee or Sailing Committee.

4.2.2 Casual entries are not eligible for any points or prize/start/finish money awarded by the Club.

4.2.3 Any casual entry must advise a member of the Race Committee or Sailing Office no later than one hour prior to the start of the race of their intention to compete and the advice must include the name of the boat and a description of its insignia (for 16s) or sail number (for 13s). In addition, the following details of each crew member must be provided – name, mobile phone contact number, an email contact address (or residential address) and Australian Sailing membership number.

4.3 Club Championship

To be eligible for the Club Championship a boat must:

a) compete in at least 75% of all completed races in the Annual Point Score, and
b) if competing in either the State or Australian Championship for its class, nominate Manly 16ft Skiff Sailing Club as the club it is representing.

5. FEES

No club entry fee is applicable.

The NSW Association registration fees are as follows:

- 16ft skiffs - $450 (to be confirmed by the Association)
- 13ft skiffs - $35 (to be confirmed by the Association)

Unless otherwise advised, the fees will be deducted from the Skiff's prize money.

6. SCHEDULE

6.1 The final 2026-2027 race program will be available on the Club website link prior to the commencement of the sailing season. A draft is attached to this NoR.

6.2 At the discretion of the Sailing Committee, races may be combined with Middle Harbour 16ft Skiff Club.

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6.3 Club races may be suspended if they conflict with Australian, NSW 16ft or 13ft Skiff Association fixtures.

6.4 Warning signals for non-pointscore and pointscore races:

	16ft Skiffs	**13ft Skiffs**
Australian Eastern Standard Time	Not before 13:55	Not before 13:55
Australian Eastern Daylight Time	Not before 14:25	Not before 14:25

7. MEASUREMENT

7.1 The Section 'Use of Sails and Masts' from the Australian 16ft and 13ft Skiff Association Class Rules, defining numbers of sails and masts allowed to be used by a boat in one season, will not apply in any Point Score or Non-Point Score races held by the Club. Alters Class Rule 11 (16ft Skiff Class Rules) and Rule 10 (13ft Skiff Class Rules).

7.2 A boat may be inspected at any time for compliance with the applicable Class Rules, AS Special Regulations Part 2, the Sailing Instructions and this Notice of Race.

8. VENUE

The hosting venue will be Manly 16ft Skiff Sailing Club.

The Racing Area will be the waters of Port Jackson.

9. COURSES

Courses and diagrams are located on the Club's website www.manly16s.com.au

10. PENALTIES

10.1 If a boat fails to take relevant penalties at the time of an incident in accordance with RRS 44.1 and 44.2, she may take a 30% post-race penalty in accordance with RRS Appendix T by notifying a member of the Race Committee.

10.2 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced with the One-Turn penalty.

11. SCORING

11.1 Scoring System

11.1.1 The scoring system will be as per the relevant provisions of RRS Appendix A, except as altered below.

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11.1.2 RRS A5.3 will apply to the scoring for any championship or point score series.

11.1.3 The handicap system used will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

11.2 Club Championship and Crews Trophy

11.2.1 Points are awarded on scratch for Club Championship and handicap for Crews Trophy results.

11.2.2 Eight races are scheduled per the race program.

11.2.3 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

11.2.4 When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. This alters RRS A2.1.

11.2.5 When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This alters RRS A2.1.

11.2.6 A youth Club Championship "The Bart Cup" will be sailed in conjunction with the Club Championship for the 16ft skiff fleet. To be eligible to win the Cup, all crew members who sail on the boat in each race of the Club Championship during the season must have been under 25 years of age as of 1st October 2026.

11.3 Annual Point Score

11.3.1 Points are awarded on handicap results in both Long Point Score and Short Point Score races.

11.3.2 Twenty-Two races are scheduled per the race program.

11.3.3 Eight races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

11.3.4 When fewer than eight races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. This alters RRS A2.1.

11.3.5 When from eight to eleven races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This alters RRS A2.1.

11.3.6 When from twelve to fifteen races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores. This alters RRS A2.1.

11.3.7 When from sixteen to nineteen races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her three worst scores. This alters RRS A2.1.

11.3.8 When twenty or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her four worst scores. This alters RRS A2.1.

11.4 Long Course Point Score

11.4.1 Points are awarded on handicap results in any Long Course Point Score race.

11.4.2 Ten races are scheduled per the race program.

11.4.3 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

11.4.4 When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. This alters RRS A2.1.

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11.4.5 When from five to eight races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This alters RRS A2.1.

11.4.6 When nine or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores. This alters RRS A2.1.

11.5 Short Course Point Score

11.5.1 Points are awarded on handicap results in any Short Course Point Score race.

11.5.2 Twelve races are scheduled per the race program.

11.5.3 Five races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

11.5.4 When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. This alters RRS A2.1.

11.5.5 When from five to nine races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This alters RRS A2.1.

11.5.6 When ten or more races been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores. This alters RRS A2.1.

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITIES

12.1 Competitors participate in all races entirely at their own risk.

12.2 The Club, its officers and servants, will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after racing, nor for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment or for damage which might result from competing in Club events.

12.3 The person who lodges the boat's registration and entry form warrants the Club that he/she will draw the attention of any person aboard to NoR 13 – RISK STATEMENT.

12.4 The person who lodges the boat's registration and entry form acknowledges receipt of NoR 13 – RISK STATEMENT and releases the Club from any claim or liability whatsoever for any harm or personal injury suffered, by him/her or any person claiming through him/her in any event conducted by the Club.

13. RISK STATEMENT

13.1 This RISK STATEMENT is issued jointly by the Club and Transport for NSW, pursuant to the *Civil Liability Act 2002 (NSW)* to all persons wishing to participate in the sailing activities conducted by Manly 16ft Skiff Sailing Club.

13.2 The Club and Transport for NSW warn participants that regardless of their best intentions they may be unable to render assistance to participants who are in distress. Participants are warned to consider the above risks and all other risks before deciding to participate in any sailing event with the Club.

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13.3 RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone". By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury**. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

13.4 All participants are required to comply with any safety provisions as mandated by the rules as defined by the Racing Rules of Sailing.

13.5 Competitors are advised that the following marks indicate the presence of hazards in the main course area: Pile 8 at Fairlight and Bombora marks 5, 10 and 11. The locations are referred to on the course diagrams.

14. INSURANCE

All boats shall have a minimum of $10 million public liability insurance covering the use of the boat while racing.

15. PRIZE MONEY

15.1 For the 16ft skiff fleet, prizemoney will consist of maximum participation payments of $300 for starting and $300 for finishing on a scheduled race day (ie $300 for a start and $300 for a finish on a day where one race is sailed and $150 for each start and $150 for each finish on a day where two races are sailed). See average points in SIs.

15.2 If a 16ft skiff competes in a scheduled NSW or Australian Association Interclub event (except the Australian Championship) that conflicts with the Manly 16ft race program, that skiff will be entitled to a participation payment of $600.

15.3 For the 13ft skiff fleet prize money will consist of a maximum participation payment $100 for starting and $100 for finishing on a scheduled race day (ie $100 for a start and $100 for a finish on a day where one race is sailed and $50 for each start and $50 for each finish on a day where two races are sailed). See average points in SIs.

15.4 If a 13ft skiff competes in a scheduled NSW or Australian Association Interclub event (except the Australian Championship) that conflicts with the Manly 16ft race program, that skiff will be entitled to a participation payment of $200. This also applies to a 13ft skiff that is unable to compete in a club race which conflicts with a F11 NSW or Australian Association event or a Manly Junior Association event.

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MANLY 16' SKIFF SAILING CLUB – 2026/2027 16ft & 13ft SALINING PROGRAM

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2026/2027 16ft & 13ft SAILING PROGRAM

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DATE	COMMENTS	LONG	SHORT	EVENTS	CC & CT	POINTSCORE	MEDIA
Saturday 5 September 2026				Non Pointscore		NPS	
Saturday 12 September 2026	Post-racing BBQ		2	Short Course Pointscore		1 & 2	PHOTO
Saturday 19 September 2026		1		Long Course Pointscore		3	
Saturday 26 September 2026	Post-racing BBQ		2	Short Course Pointscore	1 & 2	4 & 5	LIVESTREAM
Saturday 3 October 2026	HOLIDAY			No Sailing			
Saturday 10 October 2026		1		Long Course Pointscore		6	
Saturday 17 October 2026	PORT JACKSON CHAMPIONSHIP			Port Jackson Championship			LIVESTREAM
Saturday 24 October 2026	SYDNEY ULTRA MARATHON		2	Short Course Pointscore		7 & 8	
Saturday 31 October 2026	Post-racing BBQ	1		Long Course Pointscore	3	9	LIVESTREAM
Saturday 7 November 2026	PORT HUNTER CHAMPIONSHIP		2	Short Course Pointscore		10 & 11	
Saturday 14 November 2026		1		Long Course Pointscore		12	
Saturday 21 November 2026				States - Location TBD			
Sunday 22 November 2026				States - Location TBD			
Saturday 28 November 2026	Post-racing BBQ	1		Long Course Pointscore	4	13	LIVESTREAM
Saturday 5 December 2026				States Belmont			
Sunday 6 December 2026				States Belmont			
Saturday 12 December 2026	Post-racing BBQ	1		Long Course Pointscore	5	14	LIVESTREAM
Saturday 19 December 2026	Christmas BBQ		2	Short Course Pointscore		15 & 16	PHOTO
Saturday 26 December 2026	CHRISTMAS			No Sailing			
Sunday 3 January 2027	Australians - Middle Harbour			Australian Championships			
Sunday 10 January 2027	Australians - Middle Harbour			Australian Championships			
Saturday 16 January 2027	13s DAY			Non Pointscore		NPS	
Saturday 23 January 2027	AUS DAY			No Sailing			
Saturday 30 January 2027	HANDICAP START	1		Long Course Pointscore		17	
Saturday 6 February 2027	BELMONT SPRINTS	1		Long Course Pointscore		18	
Sunday 7 February 2027	BELMONT CHAMPIONSHIP						
Saturday 13 February 2027	Post-racing BBQ		2	Short Course Pointscore	6 & 7	19 & 20	LIVESTREAM
Saturday 20 February 2027	BOTANY BAY CHAMPIONSHIP			Botany Bay Championship			LIVESTREAM
Saturday 27 February 2027	HANDICAP START	1		Long Course Pointscore		21	
Saturday 6 March 2027	13ft Skiff HAWKESBURY CUP			Old Buffers - Non Pointscore		NPS	
Saturday 13 March 2027	Post-racing BBQ	1		Long Course Pointscore	8	22	LIVESTREAM
Saturday 20 March 2027	End of Season BBQ			Swap Day - Non Pointscore			PHOTO
Sunday 28 March 2027	EASTER			No Sailing			
Sunday 25 April 2027	ANZAC DAY @ St GEORGE			Non Pointscore	NPS @ St GEORGE		
Totals		**10**	**12**				

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