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# **RACE TO TARAKOHE**

**2 March 2018**

The organising authority is The Waikawa Boating Club (WBC)

PO Box 52, Picton (03) 573 6798

## **NOTICE OF RACE**

### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The racing will be governed by the rules as defined in – Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS) and the following YNZ safety regulations will apply.
- 1.2 All yachts must have a current category 3 (minimum) safety certificate and carry either a life raft or an approved inflated dingy.
- 1.3 All yachts must carry a fixed marine VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on all international channels.
- 1.4 All yachts are expected to have a registered Maritime Call Sign.
- 1.5 Competitors shall keep clear of ships over 500 tonne.
- 1.6 Safety checks may be made on any yacht at any time.
- 1.7 Should there be any conflict between the Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SI's) the SI's shall prevail. This amends RRS 63.7.

### **2 CHANGES TO THE RACING RULES**

Racing rules will be changed as follows

- 2.1 Yachts with lifting keels shall have keels locked in the down position and not moved whilst racing.
- 2.2 For protests where only a Rule of part 2 is alleged to have been broken, an arbitration hearing may be offered prior to any formal hearing.
- 2.3 Yachts with movable ballast, in the form of a canting keel or water ballast may move that ballast to increase or decrease weight, or to change trim or stability. This changes RRS 51.
- 2.4 Yachts may use an autopilot or other self-steering device. This changes RRS 52.
- 2.5 Powered winches, either electric or hydraulic are permitted. This changes RRS 52.

- 2.6 RRS 52 shall not apply to the adjustment of canting keel or water ballast.
- 2.7 Between the hours of sunset and sunrise the International Rules for Preventing Collisions At Sea (IRPCAS) shall apply. This changes the rules, part 2.

### **3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 3.1 Entry is open to all self-righting monohull yachts of not less than 6.0 meters in hull length and crewed by a minimum of two (2) people and maximum of three (3).
- 3.2 Skippers and co-skippers shall be financial members of a club recognized by the competitor's national authority.
- 3.3 WBC reserves the right to refuse entry to any boat for any reason.
- 3.4 Yachts must be registered with YNZ
- 3.5 The Entry fee:
- Entries will be accepted until the 23 of February 2018 and the entry fee will be \$80
  - Entries received before 31 January 2018 will receive a \$15 early bird discount.
  - Late entries will be accepted until 1700 on the 1 of March and the late entry fee will be \$110

### **4 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

- 4.1 Registration will be at the WBC clubrooms from 1700 on Thursday 1 March 2018.
- 4.2 Race briefing will be held at the WBC clubrooms on Thursday the 1 of March at 1900. Skippers and co-skippers must attend.
- 4.3 The race start will be at 0930 on Friday 2 March 2018.
- 4.4 There will be a dinner/prize-giving at Pohara Boat Club on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March.

### **5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 5.1 The sailing Instructions will be available on the WBC website from the 23 of February 2018.

### **6 THE COURSE**

- 6.1 The start will be at Motuara Island, Stephens Island to Port, finish at Port Tarakohe. The distance for the race is approximately 85 miles.

### **7 HANDICAPS**

- 7.1 All yachts competing will be issued with a WBC handicap.
- 7.2 Yachts wishing to enter PHRF shall submit a copy of their PHRF certificate to WBC.

### **8 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

- 8.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the WBC event notice board in the club rooms, no later than 2000hrs on the 1 March 2018.
- 8.2 Any changes made to the Sailing Instructions prior to the race briefing will be notified at the briefing and posted on the WBC website.
- 8.3 For all subsequent changes, "L" flag (A notice to competitors has been posted) will be displayed and any change will be announced verbally to yachts checking in prior to the start.

### **9 RACE POSTPONEMENTS**

- 9.1 Due to adverse conditions the Race Officer (RO) may postpone the start of the race for up to 24 hours. The RO may postpone by any amount of time that they see fit or alternatively elect to make a postponement whereby the race start will not take place before a certain time. Any postponement will be notified on VHF channel 1.
- 9.2 The race officer may shorten the course at any stage, this will be done via VHF channel 16.

### **10 RADIO REGULATIONS**

- 10.1 All yachts MUST identify themselves as starters to the RO by calling WBC committee boat prior to the start and receiving acknowledgement from a WBC official.
- 10.2 All yachts will be required to complete radio schedules via VHF, details to be advised in the sailing instructions.
- 10.3 Any yacht that retires from the race shall notify Maritime Radio VHF channel 16 as soon as possible, alternatively phone them on 0800 MARITIME.

- 10.4 A boat shall not transmit or receive radio communications that are not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. Boats are permitted to communicate with the media for the purpose of publicity and promotion but NOT to gain information to help their performance.
- 10.5 All competing yachts are required to keep a listening watch on VHF 16.

## **11 PRIZES**

- 11.1 There will be prizes.

## **12 ADVERTISING**

- 12.1 The organising authority requires all participating boats to display the event sponsor's advertising in accordance with World Sailing (WS) regulation 20 – Advertising code.

## **13 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 13.1 Competitors participate in the race entirely at their own risk, refer to rule 4. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the race.

## **14 INSURANCE**

- 14.1 Each participating yacht shall be insured with a valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$500,000.000 for the race.

## **15 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- 15.1 Contact Anna Gibbs - 027 3838 160 - gibbs.a@gmail.com  
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