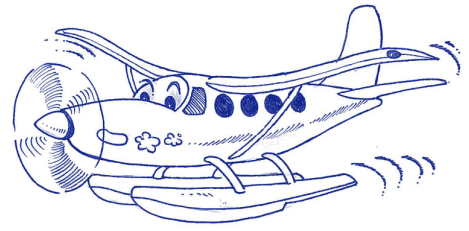




NEWCASTLE CRUISING  
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# The Sydney Seaplanes NCYC Inner Spring Series

## Notice of Race

**14<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> August, 2011**

The Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club, as the organising authority, presents this Notice of Race for the Sydney Seaplanes NCYC Inner Spring Series.

Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club, the organising authority, will conduct the NCYC Sydney Seaplanes Inner Spring Series consisting of 4 races, i.e. 1 on the 14<sup>th</sup>, 1 on the 17<sup>th</sup> (a non point score twilight pursuit) and 2 on the 21<sup>st</sup> August 2011.



**SYDNEY SEAPLANES**

# The NCYC Sydney Seaplanes

## Inner Spring Series

Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club, the organising authority, invites entries from seagoing yachts in the NCYC Sydney Seaplanes Inner Spring Series consisting of 4 races, i.e. 1 on the 14<sup>th</sup>, 1 on the 17<sup>th</sup> (a non point score twilight pursuit) and 2 on the 21<sup>st</sup> August 2011, under the following conditions:

### 1 Rules

1.1 The Races will be governed by:

- the Racing Rules of Sailing 2009/2012 (RRS) with the Yachting Australia (YA) prescriptions,
- the IRC Rules 2011 Parts A, B and C shall apply,
- the Special Regulations of Yachting Australia, Category 4,
- the Regulations for the Prevention of Collision at Sea,
- the Newcastle Harbour Safety Information prepared by Newcastle Port Corporation, NSW Maritime and NCYC (copies available at Sailing Office or on our website)
- the NCYC Sailing Handbook 2010 - 2011 edition (copies available at Sailing Office or on our website)
- and the Sailing Instructions issued for the Series.

1.2 Attention is drawn to RRS 1.1. "A boat or competitor shall give all possible help to any person or vessel in danger".

## 2 Advertising

2.1 Advertising on a boat shall comply with the requirements of ISAF Regulation 20

2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

## 3 Eligibility

3.1 Entry is invited from ballasted monohull yachts registered at a club affiliated with an Australian State Yachting Association.

3.2 Boats shall hold a current, audited Equipment Compliance form indicating a compliance with at least Category 4 of the Special Regulations.

3.3 Boats shall be covered by a Third Party Insurance Policy in the sum of at least \$10 million.

3.4 Boats entering IRC Division shall hold a current IRC Certificate.

3.5 Completed Personal Information details of crew are required to be entered on the TopYacht Entry System for each individual sailing.

## 4 Entry & Fees

4.1 Boats shall enter the NCYC Sydney Seaplanes Inner Spring Series by completing the TopYacht Entry System on the following site:

[https://www.topyachtsoftware.com/db/aus/entry\\_menu.php?EventID=87](https://www.topyachtsoftware.com/db/aus/entry_menu.php?EventID=87)

4.2 Entry fee will be FREE for both PHS and/or IRC.

4.3 Racing Divisions will be decided by race management dependent upon number and type of entrants.

4.4 Entry should be made prior to 8<sup>th</sup> Aug. 2011. Late entry may be accepted with upon payment of \$50.00 late fee. Late Entry will be made as per 4.1 until cut off date of Wed 10<sup>th</sup>.

4.5 There will be no berthing fees for visiting yachts entered for the series for the duration of regatta and including the day prior to and after the regatta.

## 5.1 Schedule of Events

The proposed schedule of events (including the approximate times of race warning signals) is:

Date	Event	Time
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> Aug. 2011	<i>Last date for free entry &amp; berthing</i>	
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Races 1	1.00pm
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Pursuit Race (non point score)	3.00pm
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup> Aug	Races 3 & 4	1.00pm (2 <sup>nd</sup> race ASAP after 1 <sup>st</sup> )

## 6 Sailing Instructions

**6.1** Sailing Instructions will be issued by the end of July 2011. These Instructions will be posted on the NCYC Official Noticeboard and NCYC website: [www.ncyc.net.au](http://www.ncyc.net.au)

**6.2** Any additional or amended Sailing Instructions will be posted on the NCYC Noticeboard and may be on the above web site.

## 7 Courses

**7.1** The courses to be sailed, selection of which is subject to weather conditions, will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

**7.2** The races will be as per NCYC Short Ocean Point score courses on the 14<sup>th</sup>, Ocean Windward / Leeward's on the 21<sup>st</sup> and the Wed 17<sup>th</sup> a twilight race & non point score, will be as per the NCYC normal end of month Pursuit Twilight Race:

Newcastle Harbour – Isolated Danger Marker(S) - Finish.

## 8 Communications

**8.1** Race entrants are required to maintain a listening watch on Emergency Channel VHF 16 for the race duration and Ch VHF 73 for the race start.

## 9 Scoring

**9.1** The Low Point Scoring System will apply.

**9.2** Race Results shall be calculated using arbitrary Time Correction Factors (TCF) determined by the NCYC handicapper in PHS Divisions and by IRC rating in the IRC Division.

**9.3** Yachts may opt to sail with or without a spinnaker in Wednesday's non point score twilight race but must elect to do that when entering on line in order to have that option reflected in their handicap start time for that race.

**9.4** Each finishing boat shall have her elapsed time multiplied by her TCF or IRC rating to determine her corrected time.

**9.5** Race results shall be posted on the NCYC website, the official NCYC Noticeboard and announced at each 'after race' gathering.

## 10 Prizes

Prizes will be awarded for:

- 1<sup>st</sup> in for each race in each division determined.
- 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places for the Overall Point Score Series Winners.

First prize (Overall Point Score) is a return seaplane trip for two from Newcastle to Rose Bay, or visa versa, water taxi transfers to & from the Star City Casino and a night's accommodation at the Casino. This prize will be calculated as per the NCYC Annual Point Score formula to determine overall winner across divisions over the Sunday races.

- Yachts may form teams of 3 and compete for an overall Team Prize. *Skippers must advise the Race Officials of team members prior to first race.*

## Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the races at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4: Decision to Race. The organising 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.

## Further Information

For further information please contact:

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## Other Information

### Berthing

Entrants are advised that NCYC offers **free** berthing for entrants for the duration of the Regatta including the days pre and post the series or other days subject to application by the skipper for approval.

Entrants are advised to organise their berthing with the Dock Master, Paul Booth on 0408 299512 or 49408188, after their race entry has been completed on line.

## Hospitality

NCYC Licensed club situated at the marina is available for meals and refreshments.

Bathroom & laundry facilities are available at the NCYC Commercial Building, upstairs near the entry to the Marina Office. Access is by swipe cards, which are available from the office.

## Functions

There will be a post race gathering at end of the each day's racing.

There will be a Bar-B-Q on the Wed night (17<sup>th</sup>) post racing.

The Overall Series Winner will be awarded as soon as practicable after the races on the last Sunday (21<sup>st</sup>) and participants are encouraged to stay around and enjoy some NCYC hospitality.

