

**2025**  
**Paper Tiger Catamaran**  
**Australian Championships**

**Notice of Race**

**Dates**

**2nd – 6th January 2025**

**Organising Authority**

Somerton Yacht Club (SYC) in conjunction with the South Australian Paper Tiger Catamaran Association Incorporated (SAPTCA) under the authority of Australian Sailing (AS)

**Venue**

Somerton Yacht Club  
St Vincent Guld – Adelaide South Australia  
Australia

## 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *ISAF 2021-2024 The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 The Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) will apply.
- 1.3 The rules of the Paper Tiger Catamaran Class.
- 1.4 Racing rules will be changed as follows: RRS 35 (Time Limit and Scores); RRS 44.1 (Taking a Penalty); RRS 60.1(a) (Protests); RRS 62.2 (Redress); RRS 66 (Reopening a Hearing); RRS A4 & A5 (Scoring). The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

## 2. ADVERTISING

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

## 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to boats of the Paper Tiger Catamaran Class.
- 3.2 All boats shall be entered and skippered by a current financial member of a Paper Tiger Catamaran Association. Boats shall retain the same skipper for all races in the series.
- 3.3 Eligibility for age divisions shall be the competitor's age at 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025.
- 3.4 Eligible boats may enter by either completing the Entry Form and sending it, together with the required fee, to Russell Jolly, 10 South Parkway McLaren Vale 5171 or e-mail ruffy42@gmail.com. The required fee may also be submitted electronically (see Entry Form for details).
- 3.5 The closing date for entries is 30<sup>th</sup> November 2024 PLEASE NOTE: Your entry will need to be received by 30<sup>th</sup> November to guarantee an event shirt.
- 3.6 Late entries may be accepted at the above addresses, at the Organising Authority's discretion.

## 4. FEES

Required fees are as follows:

Entry Fee for Seniors (18 or over on 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2025):	\$320.00
Entry Fee for Juniors (under 18 on 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2025):	\$180.00
Late Entry Fee:	\$ 30.00

## 5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Registration:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>
Thursday 2nd January 2025	0900 – 1600 hrs	SYC

- 5.2 Measurement and inspection:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>
Thursday 2nd January 2025	0900 – 1600 hrs	SYC

- 5.3 Briefing:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>
Friday 3rd January 2025	1100 hrs	SYC

5.4 Dates of racing:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Time</b>
Friday 3rd January 2025	Racing Session	1300 hrs
Saturday 4th January 2025	Racing Session	1300 hrs
Sunday 5th January 2025	Racing Session	1300 hrs
Monday 6th January 2025	Racing Session	1000 hrs

5.5 Dates of other events:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>
Thursday 2nd January 2025	Welcome Night	1830 hrs	SYC
Friday 3rd January 2025	APTCA AGM	1930 hrs	SYC
Monday 6th January 2025	Presentation Dinner	1830 hrs	SYC

5.6 A total of nine races will be scheduled. Races may be sailed back-to-back on each day.

5.7 A maximum of 3 races per day may be sailed, as long the event does not become more than two races ahead of schedule.

5.8 The Organising Authority and/or the Race Committee reserve the right to modify the schedule according to prevailing weather conditions, weather forecasts, or unforeseen circumstances.

5.9 No race shall start after 1300 hrs on 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

## 6. MEASUREMENTS

6.1 Each boat shall submit a valid measurement certificate with their entry and, in addition, shall present their boat during the prescribed measurement period where the following measurement checks may be taken: boat weight, mast dimensions, and sail dimensions based on the following requirements:

6.1.1 Platforms that weighted in at less than 52kg at any of the Australian Championships in the past 3 years or has not been weighed in the past 3 years must be submitted for re-weighing.

6.1.2 Masts that do not have a measurement sticker or stamp must be submitted for measuring.

6.1.3 Sails that were measured more than 10 years prior or do not have a signature and year must be submitted for measuring.

6.2 The Measurer may spot check boats at any time during the Regatta. A boat notified of inspection shall follow the instructions of the National Measurer. The penalty for boats failing to measure in accordance with the rules will be to be scored DSQ in all races prior to the decision. This changes RRS 64.2.

## 7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at registration. They may also be published in advance on the APTCA web site <http://aptca.papertigercatamaran.org>

## 8. VENUE

The races will be held on the Gulf of St Vincent in the vicinity of the Somerton Yacht Club, as described in the sailing instructions. *Attachment A* shows the location of Somerton Yacht Club and the racing area.

## 9. THE COURSE

The diagram in *Attachment A* show the course, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left. The course will be set with the intention of achieving an optimum race time of 45-55 minutes.

## **10. PENALTY SYSTEM**

Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

## **11. SCORING**

11.1 There are 9 races scheduled of which 4 are required to be completed to constitute a series.

11.2 Races to be counted towards series score:

- a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- b) When from five to seven races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- c) When eight or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

## **12. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

## **13. PRIZES**

Trophies and/or prizes may be awarded in the following divisions, depending on the number of entries in each (others may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Committee):

Overall Championship;  
Junior Championship (under 18 as at 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025);  
B Grade Champion;  
C Grade Champion;  
Race winners;  
Top Ten

## **14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See 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 regatta.

## **15. INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party public liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10 million per event or the equivalent.

## **16. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS**

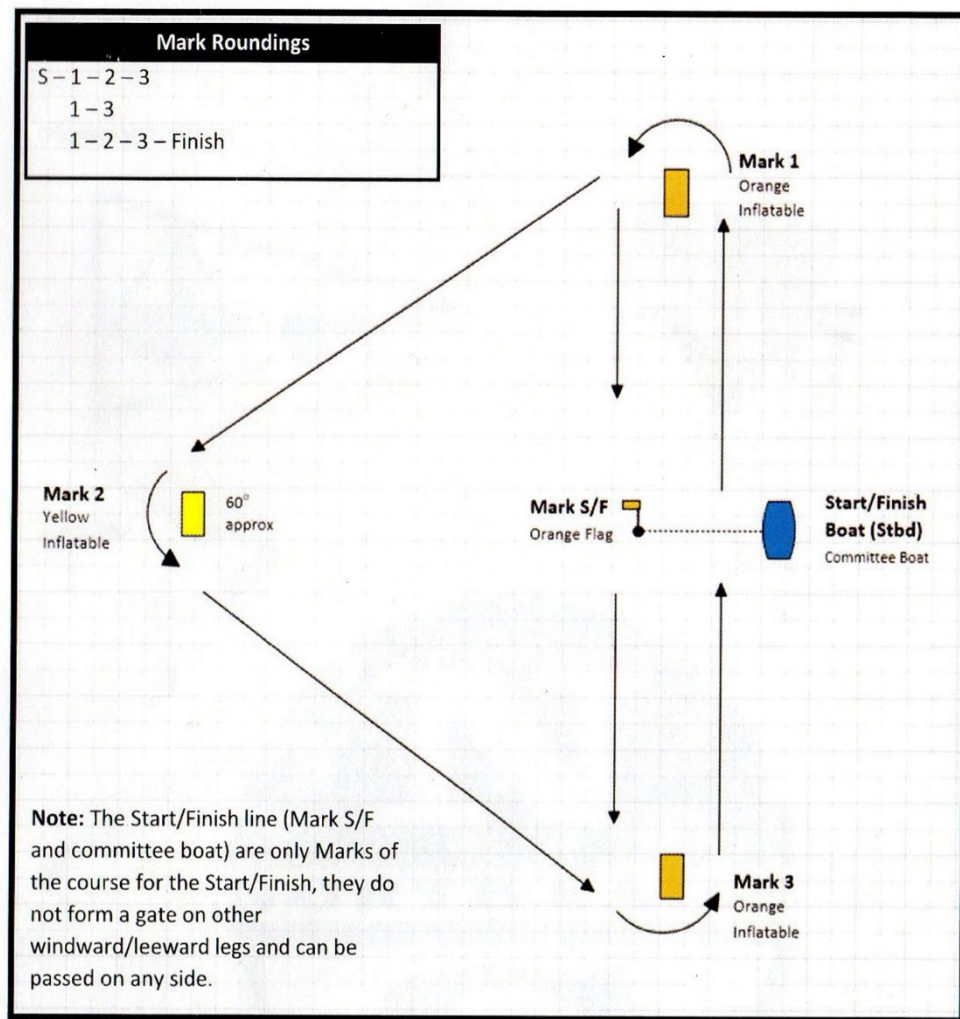
In participating in an Event, a competitor automatically grants the Organising Authority and the sponsors of the Event, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition for the said Event in which the competitor participates and in all material related to the said Event without compensation.

## **17. FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information, contact Russell Jolly (Event Coordinator) on 0490 060 239.

## ATTACHMENT A

### Course Configuration



### Club and Racing Area

