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**OTB Centreboard Icebreaker
Series 2026**

Notice of Race

Round 1 - Sunday 17 May

Round 2 – Sunday 14 June

Round 3 – Sunday 26 July

Round 4 – Sunday 23 August

ORGANISING AUTHORITY
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EVENT WEBSITE

www.rpayc.com.au/sailing/centreboard/



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Preamble The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1
The notation '[DP]' in a rule means that the penalty is at the discretion of the Protest Committee and may be less than disqualification (DSQ).

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2. All boats shall comply with AS Special Regulations Part 2 Off the Beach Boats.
- 1.3. Changes to the RRS:
 - 1.3.1. When AP is displayed ashore the Warning Signal shall be made not less than 30 minutes after AP is lowered.
 - 1.3.2. When N over A is displayed ashore all races for the day are abandoned, no racing today.
- 1.4. The Class Rules of each class shall apply.
- 1.5. If there is a conflict between languages, the English text takes precedence.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The Sailing Instructions (SI) will be available after 1200hrs on Friday 30th May 2025 at www.rpayc.com.au/sailing/centreboard/

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The official noticeboard is located at the Jack Gale Centre and www.rpayc.com.au/sailing/centreboard/
- 3.2. [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The event is open to all Centreboard Off-the-Beach Classes.
- 4.2. Classes splits and divisions will be decided after the close of entries.
 - 4.2.1. Classes of similar speed and characteristics may be grouped together and use the Australian Yardstick handicaps for Dinghy & OTB Catamarans.
 - 4.2.2. Classes with greater than 6 entries may be given a class result.
- 4.3. Eligible boats may enter by registering online at: [Centreboard Winter Icebreaker Series 2026 \(Entry Portal\) - SailSys](#)
- 4.4. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.5. After the close of entries; Casual entries for the individual rounds will be accepted.

5. FEES

Entrants	Standard Series Entry Fee	Casual Entrant (per Round)
RPAYC Full Members	\$0	\$25
RPAYC Adult Member	\$50	\$25
Visitor Adult	\$100	\$25
RPAYC Youth Member (U23)	\$0	\$15
Visitor Youth (U23)	\$50	\$15

6. [DP] ADVERTISING

6.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

7. SCHEDULE

7.1. Registration opens 0900hrs Tuesday 28 April 2026.

7.2. Dates of Racing

Date (2025)	Races	Race Management Briefing	Race Briefing	1 st Warning Signal
Rd 1 - Sun 17 May	Up to 3 races	0745hrs	0800hrs	0900hrs
Rd 2 – Sun 14 June	Up to 3 races	0745hrs	0800hrs	0900hrs
Rd 3 – Sun 26 July	Up to 3 races	0745hrs	0800hrs	0900hrs
Rd 4 – Sun 23 Aug	Up to 3 races	0745hrs	0800hrs	0900hrs

7.3. No Warning Signal will be made after 1200hrs of each round.

8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

8.1. Boats may be inspected for compliance with class or the AS Special Regulations Part 2 Off the Beach Boats at any time during the regatta.

9. CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

9.1. Competitors shall always wear a compliant Buoyancy Aid while racing. It may be removed briefly to adjust clothing.

10. VENUE

10.1. NoR Addendum A shows the plan of the event venue.

10.2. NoR Addendum B shows the location of the racing area(s).

11. COURSES

11.1. The courses to be sailed will be as described in the Sailing Instructions (SI).

12. PENALTY SYSTEM



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12.1. As stated in RRS 44.1.

13. SCORING

13.1. 3 races are required to constitute a series.

13.2. When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

13.3. When from six (6) to nine (9) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

13.4. When ten (10) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

14. SUPPORT VESSELS

14.1. [DP] Support Vessels shall notify the Race Officer at the Race Management briefing and provide the vessel details and their contact details.

14.2. [DP] Support Vessels shall carry or be equipped with a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on the channels, 16, 72 and 77.

15. BERTHING

15.1. [DP] Boats shall be kept in the assigned places while not racing.

15.1.1. Visiting dinghies will be parked on the Centreboard lawn/rigging area in front of the Jack Gale Centre. See Addendum A.

15.1.2. Visiting multihulls will be located on the Crystal Bay Hardstand. See Addendum A.

16. DATA PROTECTION

16.1. The Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club is committed to the protection of personal information provided to the club by any individual. Any personal information provided to the Club will be used for the purpose for which the information is gathered and for the purposes directly related to the functions and activities of the Club.

17. RISK STATEMENT

17.1. 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.

18. [NP] INSURANCE

18.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of **AU\$10,000,000** per incident or the equivalent.

19. PRIZES

19.1. Prizes for each round may be awarded following the round's races.

19.2. Series prizes will be awarded following the final round of the series at RPAYC Clubhouse.

20. FURTHER INFORMATION

20.1. For further information please contact the Sailing Office: sailing@rpayc.com.au or telephone: 02 9998 3700.

Addendum A – RPAYC Site Plan



The Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club

Addendum B – Racing Areas

