



Evolution Sails Women on Water Weekend 10 – 12 March 2023



Notice of Race

*The Organising Authority is the Gulf Harbour Yacht Club Inc,
(in association with Auckland Yacht and Boating Association)*

1299 Laurie Southwick Parade, Gulf Harbour, Whangaparaoa 0930, New Zealand

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations shall apply as follows:
 1. Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part II, Category 5 shall apply and shall include Chart 405321 Mahurangi Harbour to Rangitoto Island or equivalent.
 2. All boats shall carry a serviceable inboard or outboard engine and propeller capable of driving the yacht in smooth water at a speed exceeding 4 knots.
 3. All boats must be equipped with a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on all channels. A listening watch must be maintained in the cockpit on VHF Channel 77 while underway either with a handheld or cockpit fitted VHF Radio.
- 1.3 Auckland Council Navigation Bylaw 2021 applies. Available at <https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/plans-projects-policies-reports-bylaws/bylaws/Documents/navigation-bylaw.pdf>
- 1.4 Boats with movable ballast, in the form of a canting keel or water ballast may move the ballast to increase or decrease weight, or to change trim and stability. This changes RRS 51.
- 1.5 RRS 52 shall not apply to the adjustment of the canting keel or water ballast.
- 1.6 Powered winches, either electric or hydraulic, are permitted. This changes RRS 52.
- 1.7 Appendix T, Arbitration will apply.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available by 1 March 2023 on the official notice board as outlined in 3.1 and on the GHYC noticeboard located inside the clubrooms.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1** The online official notice board is located at <https://www.ghyc.co.nz/woww>
- 3.2** On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF channel 77.
- 3.3** [DP] While racing, boats shall not make or receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1** Refer to Addendum A for definitions of owner, skipper, helmsperson and crew.
- 4.2** Entries will be accepted from keel boats registered with Yachting New Zealand and whose owners or skippers are financial members of a club affiliated to Yachting New Zealand.
- 4.3** All boats must be registered online on the Boat Entry Form.
- 4.4** All skippers must be registered online on the Skippers Entry Form.
- 4.5** Crew must register online on the Crew Entry Form. If you are not currently part of a crew, please complete the form and we will endeavour to find a place for you.
- 4.6** Entries close 23 February 2023. There will be no late entries. Entries may be limited by the number of boats willing to be involved. Allocations to boats will be processed in the order in which entries are received.
- 4.7** Races will be conducted under general handicap. It is envisaged that the fleet will be split into divisions – spinnaker, non-spinnaker and maybe a further split on handicap.
- 4.8** The Organising Authority and handicapper reserve the right to classify boats into divisions.
- 4.9** To enter go to: <https://www.ghyc.co.nz/event/woww-2023>

5 FEES

- 5.1** Entry Fee: The entry fee is \$45 per person. There is no fee for male boat owners who may be on board.
- 5.2** For payment of other fees see entry forms.

6 CREW LIMITATIONS

- 6.1** All boats shall be skippered and helmed by women.

6.2 In the interest of the intention and vision of the event, crews are encouraged to maximise numbers of women in the crew as much as possible. The following crew limitations apply:

Total Persons on Board	Maximum number of men
4 – 6	1
7 or more	2

7 ADVERTISING

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

8 SCHEDULE

8.1

Friday	10:30	Registration and coffee
	11:00	Meet boat owner, skipper, crew
	11:30	Boat familiarisation and head out for a shake down sail
	14:00	Meet at Tiri Tiri Matangi Island or Long Bay (depending on weather)
	18:00	Back at the club to socialise and Build a Burger Buffet evening
Saturday	08:00	Breakfast at GHYC
	09:00	Saturday briefing
	10:25	Warning Signal - 3 races back-to-back
	18:00	Day prizes, dinner and dancing
Sunday	08:00	Breakfast at GHYC
	10:25	Warning Signal – 2 races back-to-back
	15:00	Prize Giving (see 8.3)

8.2 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 12:30.

8.3 Prizegiving will be held in Gulf Harbour Yacht Club on Sunday 12 March as soon as possible after racing but no later than 15:00.

9 VENUE

9.1 Racing will be held on the waters south of the Whangaparaoa Peninsula.

10 COURSES

10.1 Course to be sailed will be windward/ leeward, triangular or harbour courses. The first race on Saturday will be a pursuit race.

11 SCORING

11.1 Five races are scheduled.

11.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

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

(b) When 4 or 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

12 RISK STATEMENT

12.1 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.**

13 INSURANCE

13.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5,000,000 per incident or the equivalent. Insurance certificate is to be supplied at registration.

The crew of each boat is liable for any insurance premium excess should an insurance claim be made.

14 PRIZES

14.1 Prizes will be given as follows:

Trophy for each division.

Individual race winners

Spot prizes

15 FURTHER INFORMATION

15.1 For further information please contact admin@ghyc.co.nz

Addendum A

Owner – The person on board representing the owner of the boat. Ultimately responsible for the safety and welfare of the boat and the crew on board. The owner may give advice, guidance and physical support if requested by the skipper. May be male or female. See RRS rule 46.

If female, may also be the skipper or helmsperson or both.

There is no fee for male *owners*.

Skipper – The person in charge of the racing crew, delegating the tasks required for racing the boat. Must be female, may be an *owner*.

Helmsperson – The person steering the boat, must be female, may change during the race but must always be female while racing.

Crew – Persons on board undertaking the tasks involved in sailing the boat. Within the crew limitations of Notice of Race 6.2 may be male or female.

Male crew pay the same fee as other crew members.



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