



**CLARKS
BEACH
YACHT CLUB**

2026 New Zealand Paper Tiger Class National Championship

Sunday 18th to Thursday 22nd January 2026

The Organising Authority is the Clarks Beach Yacht Club,

Torkar Road | Clarks Beach | Auckland 2122

Notice of Race

NB: The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the Notice of Race means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule in the Notice of Race means rules that are not grounds for protest by a boat.

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 Part 1 shall apply.
- 1.3** The New Zealand Paper Tiger Class Rules will apply.
- 1.4** Appendix T, Arbitration will apply.
- 1.5** Appendix S, will apply.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1** The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and Supplementary Sailing Instructions (SSIs) that will be on the official noticeboard in the foyer of the Clarks Beach Yacht Club (CBYC).
- 2.2** The SSIs will be available on the CBYC [website](#) from Friday 9th January 2026.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1** The official notice board will be in the foyer of the CBYC.
- 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 boats of the Paper Tiger Class whose sailors are current financial members of their National Class Association.

- 4.2** Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form <http://tiny.cc/PTNats2026> and paying the required fee below to the following bank account:

Account Name: Clarks Beach Yacht Club
Account number: 38-9022-0710119-00
Particulars: PT Nationals
Code: [sail number]
Reference: [helm surname]

Entries close midnight on Monday 5th January 2026. No late entries will be accepted.

- 4.3** To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.4** To be eligible to compete in this event each competitor shall be a financial member of a club recognised by the competitor's national authority. Proof of affiliated club membership may be required to be presented at registration.

5 FEES

- 5.1** Entry fees are as follows:

Class	Standard Fee
Paper Tiger Class	\$175

6 ADVERTISING

- 6.1** **[NP] [DP]** Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

7 SCHEDULE

- 7.1** Registration and Briefings:

	Date	From	To
Measuring and Inspection	Sunday 18 th January	1200hrs	1700hrs
Registration	Sunday 18 th January Monday 19 th January	1200hrs 0730hrs	1700hrs 0830hrs
Briefing	Monday 19 th January	0830hrs	

- 7.2** Dates of racing: Monday 19th January – Thursday 22nd January 2026

- 7.3** Number of races:

Class:	Races per Day Scheduled:	Target time Minutes:
Paper Tiger	Monday 19 th January: 3 Races Tuesday 20 th January: 3 Races Wednesday 21 st January: 3 Races Thursday 22 nd January: 2 Races	40

- 7.4** The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is:

Date	Scheduled time of first warning signal	High Tide Time
Monday 19 th January	1000hrs	1206hrs
Tuesday 20 th January	1045hrs	1242hrs
Wednesday 21 st January	1115hrs	1318hrs
Thursday 22 nd January	1200hrs	1355hrs

- 7.5** On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1600hrs.

8 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1** [DP] All boats must comply with the rules of the New Zealand Paper Tiger Class.
- 8.2** Paper Tiger Class boats that were measured and passed at the 2025 NZPT Nationals will not need to be re-measured for the 2026 NZPT Nationals with the following provisions:
 - 8.2.1** Paper Tiger skippers shall complete and sign a formal declaration (form provided at registration) stating that no changes have been made to their Paper Tiger (including hulls/platform, sail and mast) since its previous measurement in 2025.
 - 8.2.2** Any Paper Tiger hull platforms that weighed in at less than 52kgs in 2024 must submit their hulls for re-weighing.
- 8.3** All Paper Tiger equipment that was not measured and passed at the 2025 Paper Tiger Nationals, or prior, must be measured for the 2026 Paper Tiger Nationals.
- 8.4** Any Paper Tiger equipment that has been modified must be re-measured.
- 8.5** [NP] [DP] All trailers/trolleys must be clearly marked with sail numbers.

9 VENUE

- 9.1** The venue is the Clarks Beach Yacht Club. Refer Addendum A
- 9.2** The Race Areas is in the waters of the Manukau Harbour. Refer Addendum B.

10 COURSES

- 10.1** The courses to be sailed will be triangular/windward leeward courses.

11 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1** RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One Turn Penalty.

12 SCORING

- 12.1** 5 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.2** (a) When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When 6 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - (c) When 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

13 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

- 13.1** [DP] All support person vessels shall always have an engine safety cut out switch (kill cord) attached to the driver while the engine is running, unless prior written exemption has been provided by the Organising Authority.

14 LAUNCHING

- 14.1** [DP] [NP] Unless otherwise directed by the Organising Authority, all competing boat will be launched and retrieved from the ramp and beach in front of the CBYC.

15 RISK STATEMENT

- 15.1** 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.

16 INSURANCE

- 16.1** Each participating boat should be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

17 PRIZES

- 17.1** National Champions will be awarded in accordance with YNZ Regulation 4.5.4.

- 17.2** New Zealand Paper Tiger Association Prizes will be given as follows:

A Division: 1st, 2nd, 3rd.

B Division: 1st, 2nd, 3rd

C Division: 1st, 2nd, 3rd.

1st Female skipper

1st place in the following Age groups:

- Junior
- Veteran
- Grand master
- Great Grand master
- Legends
- Most improved since previous Nationals sailed

- 17.2** Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the NZPTOA or the Organizing Authority.

18 FURTHER INFORMATION

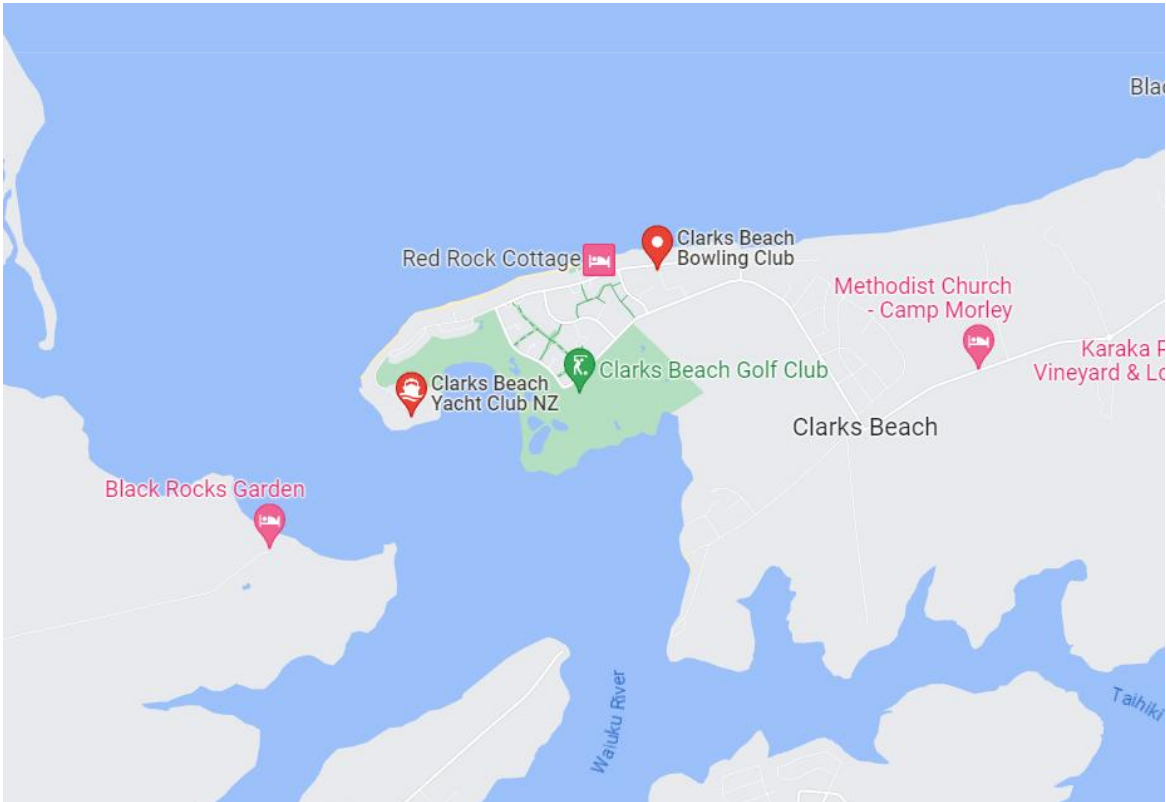
- 18.1** For further information please contact:

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Addendum A – Location of Clarks Beach Yacht Club



Addendum B – Indicative Racing Area

