



2017/18 FARR 40 AUSTRALIAN OPEN SERIES
NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS: JOHN CALVERT-JONES TROPHY
ROYAL SYDNEY YACHT SQUADRON: 17-19 MARCH 2018
NOTICE OF RACE



The Farr 40 One Design Owners Group of Australia in conjunction with the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron cordially invites entries to the Farr 40 National Championships: John Calvert-Jones Trophy to be sailed on 17-19 March 2018.

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) is the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron (RSYS) in conjunction with the Farr 40 Australia Association. The Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron is located at 33 Peel Street, Kirribilli NSW.

2. RULES

2.1 This Regatta will be governed by:

- The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS);
- The rules and regulations of the Farr 40 One Design Class;
- The prescriptions and special regulations of Australian Sailing;
- This Notice of Race, except as any of these are modified by the Sailing instructions.

2.2 The OA reserves the right to amend this Notice of Race. Amendments will be published on the Official Noticeboard and on the Event Website www.farr40.asn.au

3. RACING RULES OF SAILING - CHANGES

3.1 Remove the second sentence of RRS 30.2 and replace with the following: *“If a boat breaks this rule and is identified she shall receive, without a hearing, a 10% scoring penalty calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c)”*.

3.2 Delete the first and second sentences of RRS 44.1 and substitute the following: *“A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty, consisting of one tack and one gybe, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2, Rule 31 or Rule 42 while racing. However, if a boat may have broken a rule of Part 2 within the zone of a rounding mark or finish mark, the penalty that may be taken is a Two-Turns Penalty”*.

3.3 The maximum amount of drinkable liquid aboard each yacht shall not exceed six (6) litres per person, per day. This liquid is included in the restrictions for movable ballast in RRS 51.

3.4 Video, data and/or photographs taken from any source shall not be used as evidence at protest hearings. This changes RRS 63.6.

3.5 Except on a beat to windward, the boat’s crew may pull in any sail any number of times to initiate or to maintain surfing or planning. This changes RRS 42.3(c).

4. ELIGIBILITY

The Australian Farr 40 One Design Class may race under Special Regulations Category 4 with the following variations and conditions:



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1. This only applies to Farr 40 OD class events when all boats are required to comply with the Farr 40 OD class rules and does not apply to Farr 40s competing in mixed fleet rating or handicap events.
2. The race committee shall not start a race offshore if there is a current strong wind warning for the course area at the time of scheduled racing.
3. Compliance is not required for the following Special Regulations for Category 4:
 - a. 4.03.2 - for clipping points
 - b. 4.05.1 - table 1 for secondary anchor
 - c. 5.02.1 - for harnesses and tethers
4. The variation is valid until 30 July 2018 when the new Special Regulations come into effect.

Attention is drawn to Farr 40 OD class rule Appendix 3, which requires that a minimum of Word Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Category 4 safety equipment, or the category that is specified by race organisers, whichever is greater, shall be carried on the Farr 40 while racing. Australian Sailing recognises that any club acting as the organising authority may invoke this class rule and require greater level of safety equipment.

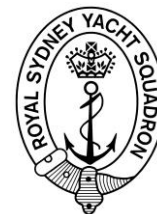
5. ENTRY DOCUMENTATION AND REGISTRATION

- 5.1 Entry forms for the 2018 National Championships: John Calvert-Jones Trophy are available at www.farr40.asn.au
- 5.2 Entries shall be submitted to the Farr 40 Administrator no later than 9 March 2018. Late entries will be accepted, however, and additional fee of \$250AUD will be charged for late entries.
- 5.3 Entries shall include the following documentation:
 - Completed entry form submitted to OA;
 - Entry fee of \$1,600 AUD paid to the Farr 40 Association.
- 5.4 Registration shall be completed with the Class Administrator as described below. Sail declarations may be made on site during registration. All entries shall have completed the following:
 - a) Entry form with OA, including payment of all fees;
 - b) Australian class membership for 2017/18 PAID;
 - c) Crew ISAF classification declared on the Crew Declaration Form, with Skipper and crew weights verified;
 - d) Sail Declaration Form;
 - e) Appendix 10 - Yacht Owner Compliance Form;
 - f) Special Regulations Equipment Audit Form – Category 4

NOTE: All regatta paperwork shall be submitted to Jennie Hughes E: farr40australia@gmail.com no later than 9 March 2018.



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6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS: NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS: JOHN CALVERT-JONES TROPHY

6.1

DATE	TIME	EVENT	VENUE
Fri, 16 Mar	0930-1200 AEDST	Registration & Weigh In	Youth Sailing Room, RSYs
Sat, 17 Mar	0800-0900 AEDST	Registration and weigh in	Youth Sailing Room, RSYs
	0900 AEDST	Skipper/Tactician/PRO Briefing	Youth Sailing Room, RSYs
	1100 AEDST	Racing commences (up to 4 races)	TBA in Sailing Instructions
	1600 AEDST	Dock Party	The Pond, RSYs
	1700 AEDST	Owners Cocktail Party	Sirius Cove Room, RSYs
Sun, 18 Mar	1100 AEDST	Racing commences (up to 4 races)	TBA in Sailing Instructions
	1600 AEDST	Regatta Party	Careening Cove Lower Deck, RSYs
Mon, 19 Mar	1100 AEDST	Racing commences (up to 4 races)	TBA in Sailing Instructions
	1600 AEDST	Trophy Presentation	Careening Cove Room, RSYs

**NOTE: Times and venues to be confirmed closer to the event.*

6.2 The Race Committee intends to conduct as many races as practicable on each scheduled day of racing, up to a maximum of twelve races for the series. The initial warning signal for racing each day will not be made before 1100hrs, however, no warning signal will be made after 1500hrs on the last scheduled day of racing.

6.3 After consultation, the PRO may modify the above program according to prevailing weather conditions and/or other unforeseen circumstances.

6.4 Races will be conducted back to back and races subsequent to the first race of the day will be started as soon as practicable after the completion of the previous race.

7. MEASUREMENT AND INSPECTION

7.1 Crew will be weighed on official scales at the Youth Sailing Room, RSYs.

7.2 Full measurement is not required, but all boats shall conform to the Class Rules of the Farr 40 One Design Class. The Race Committee may inspect any yacht prior to or during the regatta for Special Regulation and Class Rule compliance.

8. EVENT ADVERTISING

Each yacht may be required to display event advertising on the boom and backstay.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing instructions will be available after 1300 on 15 March 2018 at the RSYs Sailing Office or via the RSYs website: www.rsys.com.au. The Class Administrator will also circulate the Sailing Instructions via email.



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10. COURSES AND RACING AREA

- 10.1 Races will be held inshore on Sydney Harbour and offshore on the Manly/Macquarie Circle (Attachment A).
- 10.2 The courses to be sailed will be windward/return races. All courses will be outlined in the Sailing Instructions.

11. PENALTIES

The penalty, if any, for any infringement of the rules (including the Class Rules and Australian Sailing Special Regulations for Category 4) other than RRS Part 2 is at the sole discretion of the Jury in consultation with the Class representative, and may be other than disqualified. This changes RRS 64.1.

12. SCORING

- 12.1 Six (6) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.2 Up to twelve (12) races are scheduled for the series. Each yacht's score shall be the sum of all her races (no discards).

13. PRIZES

- 13.1 1st – Farr 40 National Champion
- 13.2 2nd Place
- 13.3 3rd Place
- 13.4 Corinthian division winner

14. BERTHING

- 14.1 All boats are required to be berthed at the RSYS Pond.
- 14.2 Payment for water, electricity and telephone will be responsibility of each boat and shall be paid directly to the RSYS Office. Should a mooring be required for a longer period, entrants may extend the booking by contacting the Marina Office directly. Extended bookings will be chargeable at the current marina rates. Early booking is recommended. Telephone bookings must be confirmed by fax, email or post.
- 14.3 The RSYS will be responsible for the assignment of mooring positions for all entrants. All entrants will be notified on their arrival at the RSYS of their mooring position.
- 14.4 Competitors intending to commute to the RSYS by boat (including support boats) will need to contact the Marina Office prior to the start of the regatta to arrange berthing.

15. SUPPORT BOATS

Competitor's attention is drawn to the applicable Class Rules and Interpretations.

16. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee.



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17. MEDIA & IMAGE RIGHTS WAIVER

- 17.1 The Media Centre will be in the Youth Sailing Room at RSY. Attendance at a media/press conference each day may be required for the top three competitors as well as individual heat winners. Suitable notification will be given.
- 17.2 By entering this regatta, the Owner (or Charterer) and Crew members on competing yachts grant, at no cost, the absolute right and permission to use their names, voices, images, likenesses, and biographical material, as well as representations of their yacht: in any media (including television, print and internet), to the Farr 40 Class Association, RSY, the Farr 40 Management Group, Stagg Yachts, the Farr 40 Executive Committee, affiliated companies and other sponsors.
- 17.3 The Farr 40 Class Association, RSY, the Farr 40 Management Group, Stagg Yachts, the Farr 40 Executive Committee, affiliated companies and other sponsors shall not use the names, voices, images, likenesses or biographical material of an Owner (Charterer) or Crew member in a way that constitutes an endorsement of products unless the competitor or crew member is otherwise engaged by or affiliated companies to endorse products or otherwise gives his/her prior written consent to such use.
- 17.4 Owners (Charterers) and Crew members shall acknowledge and accept the granting of media rights referred to in this paragraph 17 by signing the Entry Form and the Disclaimer and Acknowledgement of Rights Form provided by the OA.

18. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Boat bags must be left open and seapens must be left down or up wet and no chlorine shall be used between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta. However, diving to clean the boat and/or diving apparatus may be used at any time.

19. RADIO COMMUNICATION

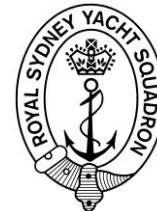
Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

20. DISCLAIMER OF ENTRY

- 20.1 The Owner (Charterer) and each Crew member:
- a) Acknowledges and accepts the risks (including the risk of harm to persons and property and the risks associated with the perils of the sea and the seaworthiness of any boat) associated with participation in this regatta and waives all rights against and releases the Farr 40 Class Association, RSY, the Farr 40 Management Group, Stagg Yachts, the Farr 40 Executive Committee, any sponsors and their respective officers, employees, volunteers and members in respect of any loss of life or injury to persons, or loss of or damage to property, suffered in connection therewith;



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- b) Acknowledges that participation in this regatta by him or her is on the basis that participation is entirely at his or her risk and responsibility and that the Farr 40 Class Association, RSYS, the Farr 40 Management Group, Stagg Yachts, the Farr 40 Executive Committee, any sponsors and their respective officers, employees, volunteers and members are not responsible for any boat or its crew;
- c) Acknowledges and agrees that this form is governed by the laws of Australia and that any liability for harm to persons that results from breach of an express or implied warranty that this regatta and all services relating thereto will be conducted or rendered with reasonable care and skill is excluded.

20.2 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. The OA 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.

20.3 All competitors shall acknowledge this by signing the Disclaimer and Acknowledgement of Rights Form provided by the OA.

21. INSURANCE

21.1 The safety of a boat and her entire management shall be the sole inescapable responsibility of the Owner/Owners' representative. It is the responsibility of the Owner to provide insurance for the yacht covering eventual damage to persons or property.

21.2 The boat is required to hold adequate insurance including third-party insurance of minimum cover of \$10,000,000 AUD, and it is the Owner or Owners' representative's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate prior to participating in this event.

22. COMMERCIAL SHIPPING

22.1 Yachts shall not interfere with the Commercial or Defense shipping of the Port. The attention of skippers is drawn to NSW Roads and Maritime Services regulations regarding the right of way of vessels entering or leaving port, ferries displaying orange diamonds and vessels engaged in towing. NSW Roads and Maritime Services regulations specify "Priority over Sail – some Commercial Ferries on Sydney Harbour display an orange diamond shape which grants priority of way over sailing vessels. Do not attempt to cross the path of an approaching ferry displaying this signal". Attention is drawn to the guidelines published in the appendices in this Handbook.

22.2 Boats found to have interfered with commercial shipping may be subject to action by the Race Committee in accordance with RRS 60.2.

22.3 All yachts must abide by traffic directions of NSW RMS Boating Service Officers. Any yacht directed to stop or alter course by NSW RMS Boating Service Officers as a result of an anticipated breach of the above rules, incident/collision or complaint shall do so immediately.

22.4 Any yachts reported by NSW Roads and Maritime Services as having contravened NSW Roads and Maritime Services regulations shall be disqualified without a hearing.



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(This amends RRS 63.1). Any alleged infringement of this clause shall not be grounds for protest by another competitor.

23. PRINCIPAL RACE OFFICER

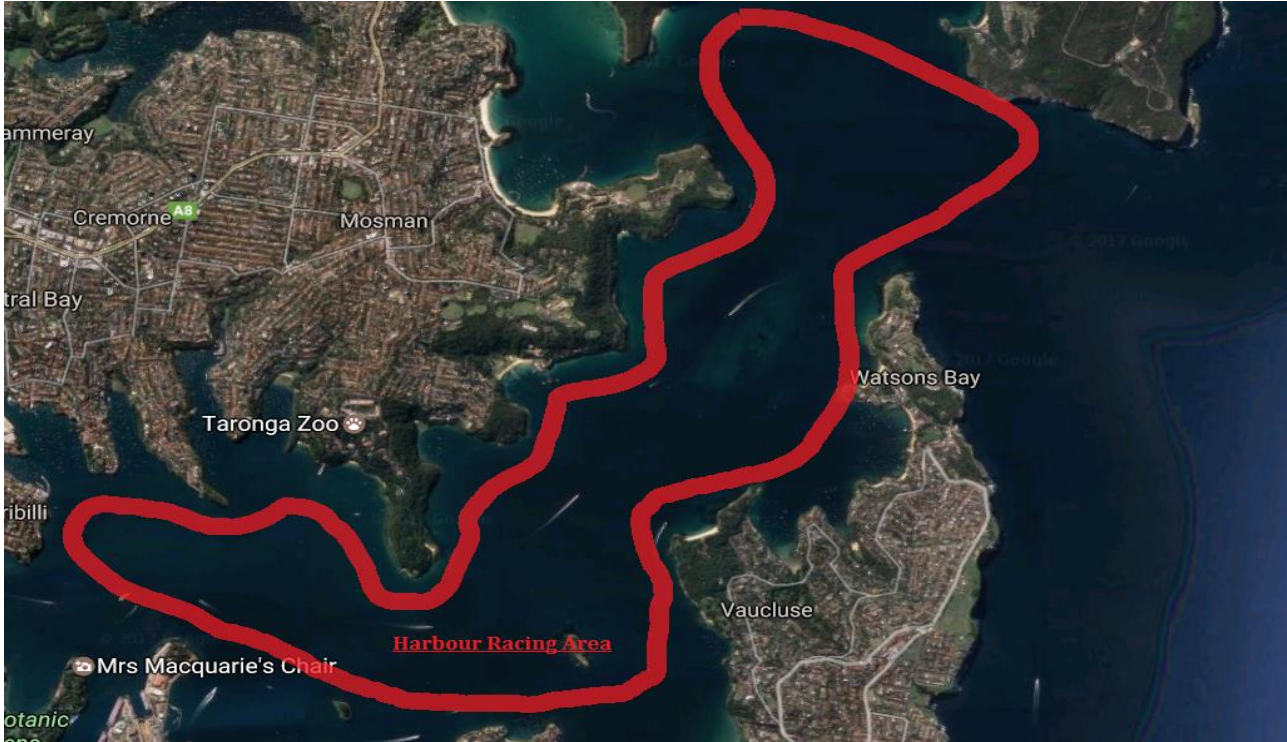
The PRO for this regatta will be Mr Rob Ridley.

24. FURTHER INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

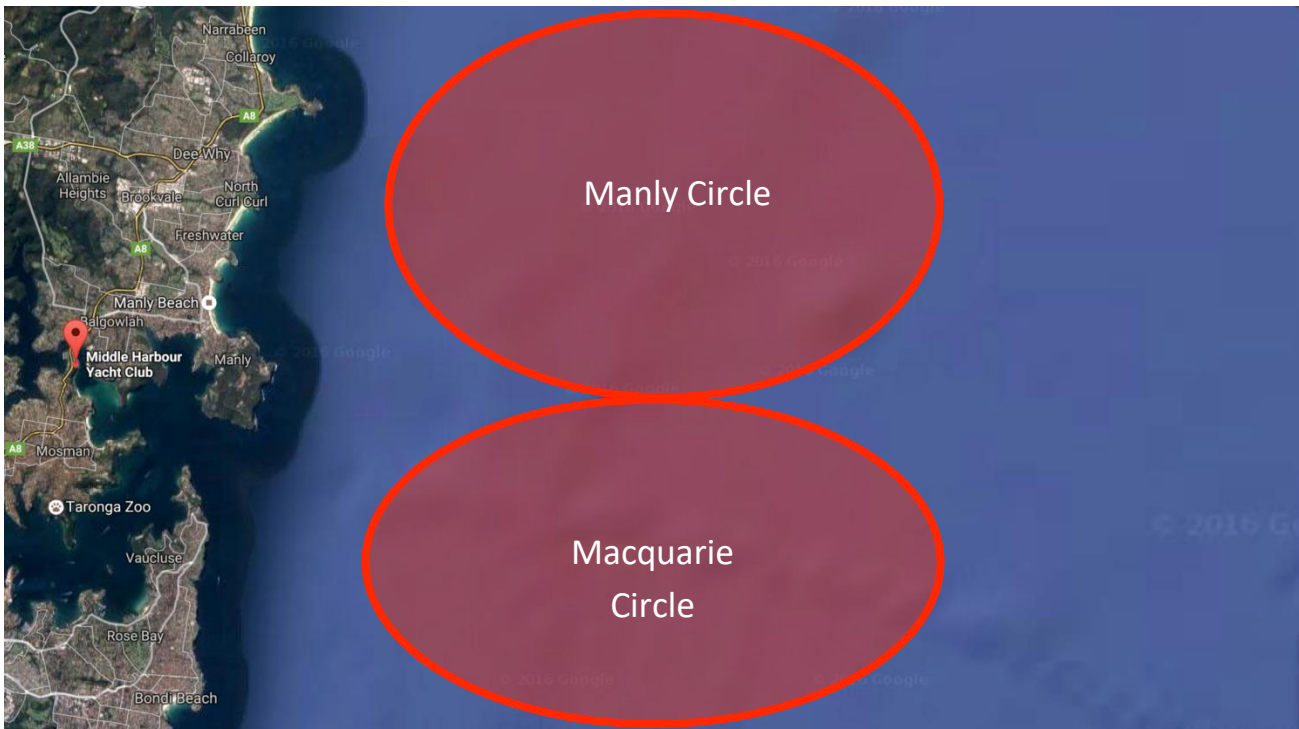
FARR 40 AUSTRALIA Class Administrator: Jennie Hughes M: 0407 387 302 E: farr40australia@gmail.com	ROYAL SYDNEY YACHT SQUADRON Sailing Manager: Johan Hedberg M: 0491 020 393 E: Johan@rsys.com.au
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ATTACHMENT A – RACING AREAS

INSHORE RACING AREA



OFFSHORE RACING AREAS



Areas displayed are approximate locations only



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WELCOME FROM COMMODORE CHAPMAN

It gives me great pleasure to welcome back competitors and guests for the 2018 Farr 40 National Championship being hosted at the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron. This prestigious event is held in high esteem by our Club Members and we are looking forward to a competitive and enjoyable event.

The racing for this year's John Calvert-Jones Trophy will be held on the magnificent waters of Sydney Harbour and its offshore coastal areas, with the backdrop of the world famous Sydney Opera House and the iconic Harbour Bridge. RSYs enjoys an excellent location which provides immediate access to the harbour and racing areas. In addition to this scenic setting, we will provide race management of the highest order to afford optimum racing conditions to every competitor.

Our Club Members, volunteers and staff look forward to extending a warm welcome to ensure that each competitor enjoys their regatta experience and stay at the Squadron.

On behalf of the Squadron Committees and Members, we thank you for your efforts in attending the regatta and wish you all the very best of luck with the racing.

Warm regards,

Richard Chapman
RSYS Commodore