

Etchells

INTERNATIONAL ETCHELLS CLASS

2025 SYD CORSER REGATTA

22 and 23 November 2025

NOTICE OF RACE



Joint Organising Authority
ROYAL FRESHWATER BAY YACHT CLUB INC.
(RFBYC)



Joint Organising Authority
ROYAL PERTH YACHT CLUB INC.
(RPYC)



In conjunction with
INTERNATIONAL ETCHELLS CLASS
ASSOCIATION SWAN RIVER FLEET (Inc.)



EVENT SPONSOR

The Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club Inc (RFBYC) and Royal Perth Yacht Club Inc (RPYC), as joint organising authorities in conjunction with the International Etchells Class Association Swan River Fleet Inc., will conduct the International Etchells 2025 Syd Corser Regatta on the Swan River on 22 and 23 November 2025.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule in this Notice of Race (NOR) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

The notation (SP) in a rule in this Notice of Race (NOR) means that a standard penalty will be applied by the Race Committee without a hearing.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) as modified by the Sailing Instructions (SIs).
- 1.2 This is an open event not sanctioned by the International Etchells Class Association.
- 1.3 Boats shall comply with the Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 1 Category 7 requirements including compliance with AS Variation Approval regarding use of Anchors (Class rules shall apply).

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available at Registration and will be posted on the event website prior to Registration.

3 COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1 The Official Online Notice Board (ONB) is located at <https://rfbyc.asn.au/etchells%20championships> .
- 3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating with the race committee.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee may make broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs. Failure to receive any such broadcasts will not be subject to an application for redress.
- 3.4 [DP] Boats shall use the radio to report retirement from racing.
- 3.5 Except in an emergency, a boat shall not initiate transmissions of any nature from the first warning signal of the day until the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the Race Committee signalled "no more racing today".
- 3.6 [DP] The use of mobile/cell phones, or any device capable of sending and/or receiving external electronic communication and/or connecting to the internet is prohibited after the first Warning Signal on each race day until the boat has completed racing that day, except in an emergency threatening the safety of any member of the crew or the boat.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Eligible boats may enter using the online link at: <https://www.revolutionise.com.au/rfbyc/events/319710>
- 4.2 Entries close 1700 on Thursday 20 November 25.
- 4.3 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

5 FEES

- 5.1 No Entry fees will be charged for this event.

6 CREW LIMITATIONS

- 6.1 All skippers and crew shall be members of the International Etchells Class Association Swan River Fleet or a Fleet of the International Etchells Class Association.

7 [NP] [DP] REGISTRATION & MEASUREMENT

7.1 The following documents are required to be uploaded during the entry and/or registration process by close of entries:

- A valid insurance certificate; and
- A valid self-audited AS Special Regulations Category 7 Equipment Form,

7.2 All sails shall have been measured and either have been certified by an official measurer in the tack for mainsails and headsails and for spinnakers in the head. A Sail Selection Form shall be presented at registration. The selection may comprise up to 5 sails (one main, two jibs and 2 spinnakers) to be used in the regatta, including sail type, manufacturer and sail label number.

8 ADVERTISING

8.1 All boats shall comply with Class Rule C.4.

8.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority in accordance with World sailing Regulation 20.4.1.

9 SCHEDULE

9.1 Eight races are scheduled for the series.

Session	Date	Location	Time	Event
1	Saturday, 22 November	RFBYC	0930	Racing – Time of First Warning Signal Race 1, Subsequent races 2 and 3 to follow.
2	Saturday, 22 November	RPYC	1330	Racing – Time of First Warning Signal Race 4, Subsequent race 5 to follow.
3	Sunday, 23 November	RFBYC	0930	Racing – Time of First Warning Signal Race 6, Subsequent races 7 and 8 to follow.

9.2 No Warning Signal will be made after 1200 hrs on Sunday, 23 November.

10 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

10.1 Sailing Instructions will be available on the RFBYC [event webpage](#) on Friday 22 November 2025.

11 CREW WEIGHT

11.1 Crew weight shall not exceed 285kg in aggregate.

12 VENUE AND COURSES

12.1 For Sessions 1 on Saturday, 22 November and 3 on Sunday, 23 November, the venue will be Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club. For Session 2 on Saturday, 22 November will be Royal Perth Yacht Club.

12.2 For Sessions 1 and 3, the racing area will be Melville Water West. For Session 2 the racing area will be Melville Water East

12.3 For Sessions 1 on Saturday, 22 November and 3 on Sunday, 23 November, the regatta office will be in the Sailing and Boating office located inside the RFBYC Dinghy Club. For Session 2 on Saturday, 22 November the regatta office will be the Sailing Office located inside Royal Perth Yacht Club

12.4 For Sessions 1 on Saturday, 22 November and 3 on Sunday, 23 November, the courses will be windward/leeward as described in the Sailing Instructions. For Session 2 on Saturday, 22 November the courses will be windward/leeward as described in the Royal Perth Yacht Club windward / leeward Supplementary Sailing Instructions.

12.5 The event will be a dry regatta, however, should boats wish to remain afloat limited moorings may be available at RFBYC during the period of the regatta.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1 The Penalty System will be as per RRS with any modifications will be notified in the Sailing Instructions.

13.2 RRS Appendix T “Arbitration” shall apply.

14 SCORING

14.1 Eight (8) races are scheduled.

14.2 Four (4) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

14.3 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.1

14.4 When five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

15 VAKAROS

Competitors may use Vakaros Atlas 2 devices or similar. In this regard, the Etchells Class Rules shall not apply.

The Race Committee may use the Vakaros RaceSense system to communicate starting times to competitors and monitor boat positions at start times and at the finish line.

Further information may be provided in the Sailing Instructions.

16 RISK STATEMENT

16.1 Competitors’ attention is drawn to RRS 3 – Decision to Race.

16.2 All those taking part in these races are reminded of their obligations as set out in the AS Special Regulations clause 1.02 Responsibility of the Person in Charge

16.3 It is the competitor’s decision to enter the Event or to start and continue in any race.

Competitors shall accept that their participation in the Event is at their exclusive risk in every respect. By way of entry in the Event competitors must indemnify the Organising Authority their officers, members, staff, and agents in respect to all claims and demands of whatever nature which may be made upon them in connection with or howsoever arising from their participation or intended participation in the Event.

16.4 The Organising Authority, their officers, members, staff and agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of their participation or intended participation in the Event or howsoever arising in connection with the Event.

17 INSURANCE

17.1 Each participating boat must be insured with current third-party property insurance cover and a valid third-party Personal Liability Insurance cover of not less than AUD10,000,000 (10 million dollars) for any one claim event in Australia.

17.2 All owners/competitors may upload a copy of their Certificate of Currency during the online entry process or alternatively be able to present it at registration.

18 PRIZES

18.1 Prizes shall be awarded as follows:

- The Syd Corser Perpetual Trophy shall be awarded to the overall winner
- Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd overall

19 FURTHER INFORMATION

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