

Roland Smith Ocean Race

SHORT HAUL

Organising Authority: Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club

Date: Saturday 17 April 2021

Warning Signal: Double Handed 0855
Division 2 0900
Division 1 0905

Approximate Distance: 43n miles

Safety: Category 4

Recommendation: 5.01.1(d)(iii) in the Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 1 for crotch straps or thigh straps fitted to lifejackets.

Trophies: IRC & PHS

Series: Siska Series, Short Haul Series and 44th Farrawa Cup Series.

Entry Fee: \$100

Entry Close: 1700 Monday 12 April 2021

Start: Boat start, in the vicinity of Campbell Buoy, North Cottesloe

COURSE

Start	
Day Buoy	
Campbell Buoy	Port
Burnell Buoy	Starboard
*Centaur Reef South Cardinal Mark	Port
Kingston Reefs North Cardinal Buoy	Port Starboard
Centaur Reef South Cardinal Mark	Starboard
South Mole finish	

* Note 1:

When Code Flag 'S' is displayed with the warning signal of the relevant class, omit the mark of the course indicated by an asterisk (*).

RACE CONTROL

FSC Radio Room, 9430 6063

RACE ADMINISTRATOR

0409 290 024

EMAIL

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Race History

Named in honour of Roland Smith, Commodore of RBYC from 1932 to 1935 and again from 1940 to 1942. In 1934 he was involved in the successful negotiation with the State Governor Sir James Mitchell, to approve the use of the prefix 'Royal' by the Freshwater Bay Yacht Club. He was both a yachtsman and a launch owner. In 1942 he was appointed commanding officer of HMAS Leeuwin II. This was the Naval Auxiliary Patrol unit based at RBYC during World War II. On his power yacht "Pollyanna" he charted much of Rottnest Island, providing safe passage for other mariners and there is a memorial for him near Narrowneck, the Roland Smith Monument. He was a long serving member of the island's board of control and contributed much to the volunteer reforestation work until his death in 1972.

The Roland Smith Ocean Race returned to the racing calendar in 2015 as an 80nm Blue Water event which included an element of Rottnest Island in honour of the connection he had with the island. With the intention to raise the number of competitors and promote the sport to the local community the course has been changed for the 2019-2020 season. The race has been shortened to a coastal day race with the course focusing on the Perth northern beaches and the eastern end of Rottnest Island.