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Invitation

An invitation is extended to owners of eligible boats to enter the LGT Crestone Winter Series 2025 (including the Women's Series) sailed on Sydney Harbour. The LGT Crestone Winter Series 2025 will comprise of 9 Pointscore races. The Women's Series will comprise of 3 Races. The Organising Authority is the Cruising Yacht Club of Australia.

2 Schedule of Races

April 27	Women's Series	Race 1
	Jill McLay Trophy	
May 4	Harbour Race	(Race 1)
May 11	Harbour Race	(Race 2)
May 18	Harbour Race	(Race 3)
May 25	Harbour Race	(Race 4)
June 1	Harbour Race	(Race 5)
June 8	Women's Series	Race 2
	Margaret Psaltis Tro	phy
June 15	Harbour Race	(Race 6)
June 22	Harbour Race	(Race 7)
June 29	Harbour Race	(Race 8)
July 6	Harbour Race	(Race 9)
July 13	Women's Series	Race 3
	Chris Lee Trophy	

3 Divisions

Racing will be conducted in divisions appropriate to the number of entries received. A Sydney 38 division and IRC Divisions may be conducted if there is sufficient interest.

4 Rules

- 4.1 The races will be governed by the current versions of:
 - The *rules*, as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2025 2028 ("RRS") of World Sailing,
 - The IRC 2025 Rule, parts A, B and C (if applicable),
 - The prescriptions and special regulations of Australian Sailing ("Special Regulations")

as these may be amended by this Notice of Race and the Winter Series 2025 Sailing Instructions.

4.2 The Sailing Instructions will be available after 1200 hours on 21 April 2025 at the Sailing Office and on the CYCA website, www.cyca.com.au. The Sailing Committee of the CYCA shall be the Race Committee for the purposes of and with the powers and discretions contained in RRS 90.1.



4.3 Changes to the RRS:

- RRS 51: Boats with movable or variable ballast (within the meaning of those terms in the Special Regulations) may move that ballast for the purpose of changing trim or stability.
- RRS 52: RRS 52 is changed to: The rotation of a boat's rudder shall be adjusted and operated only by the power provided by the crew.
- RRS 78.2: Valid rating certificates shall be produced by 1200 hours on Thursday prior to each race. Boats shall declare which of the primary or secondary IRC Certificate (if applicable) will be used for each race to the Sailing Office via email (sailingoffice@cyca.com.au) at this time. A boat's result shall not be retrospectively amended due to a rating change.

5 Courses / Advertising

- 5.1 The courses shall be as detailed in the LGT Crestone Winter Series 2025 Sailing Instructions.
- 5.2 Advertising on a boat shall comply with the requirements of World Sailing Regulation 20 (Advertising Code).

6 Handicaps / Scoring

- 6.1 PHS Handicaps will be based on time correction factors ("TCF's"). A boat's TCF may be adjusted after each race. The TCF's will be converted into a prescribed handicap start time.
- 6.2 IRC Certificates shall be a current and valid Standard or Endorsed Certificate issued by RORC. All boats may additionally hold a secondary valid IRC Certificate. The Organising Authority may require re-measurement of any boat prior to the boat racing.
- 6.3 The scoring system will be set out in the Sailing Instructions.
- 6.4 For the LGT Crestone Winter Series 2025, 5 races are required to be completed to constitute a series. For the Women's Series, 2 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

7 Eligibility

- 7.1 The races are open to single hulled self-righting displacement boats only.
- 7.2 A boat shall have a LOA of not less than 6.0m.
- 7.3 A boat shall comply with the Special Regulations Part 1 for Race Category 7 except that trailable boats shall comply with Race Category 6. An audited Special Regulations Equipment Form for Category 6/7 (or higher) shall be submitted to the Sailing Office if not already held on file by the CYCA. A boat requiring an equipment audit at the CYCA should make a booking with the Sailing Office.
 - NB: CYCA requires all audits be dated after 30 June 2024.
- 7.4 A decision of the CYCA as to whether a boat meets the eligibility criteria is final and binding and will not be grounds for a request for redress.
- 7.5 The minimum number of crew shall be 3.
- 7.6 For Women's Winter Series races, the nominated female skipper must helm the boat for the duration of the race.



8 Trophies and Prizegivings

- 8.1 Trophies will be awarded to the first, second and third placing of each division at the CYCA following each race.
- 8.2 Trophies will be awarded to first, second and third placing in the Season Pointscore and first in the Women's Series in each division. The pointscore series is only open to block entries. The pointscore prize giving will be held on 18 July 2025.

9 Results and List of Entries

Results and weekly list of entries (with start times) will be emailed to owners. Results will also be published on the CYCA website, www.cyca.com.au, and posted on the notice board in the downstairs of the CYCA.

10 Entry & Entry Fees (All entry fees are inclusive of GST)

10.1 LGT Crestone Winter Series 2025

The Block Entry fee for the **Winter Series 2025** is \$690 (for CYCA members, block entry fees are reduced to \$610). A casual race entry fee is \$85. All entries shall be completed online by 1200 hours on the Thursday prior to each race. No change of division will be allowed after this time. Entries shall be made online at www.cyca.com.au

A block entry shall be completed online by 1200 hours on the Thursday before Race 4 to be eligible for the series pointscore. Block Entry Fees only are waived for <u>3-year</u> and quarterly license CYCA marina berth holders.

10.2 Women's Series

LGT Crestone Winter Series 2025 Block Entered boats will NOT be automatically entered in the Women's Series.

The Block Entry for the Women's Series is \$185 (for CYCA members, Women's Series block entry fees are waived). A casual race entry fee is \$85. Entries shall be completed online before 1200 hours on the Thursday prior to the race. No change of division will be allowed after this time. Entries shall be made online at www.cyca.com.au

A block entry shall be completed online before 1200 hours on the Thursday prior to the Women's Series Race 2 to be eligible for the pointscore.



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Conditions of Entry	Boat Name:	

I, ______, am the owner/charterer of the above boat and am entering the boat in the LGT Crestone Winter Series 2025 by way of an on-line entry and I:

- acknowledge that this entry is made subject to the conditions set out in the Notice of Race, as it may be amended;
- acknowledge that all races will be governed by, and agree that the boat is bound by, the rules and regulations specified in the Notice of Race
- 3 acknowledge and accept the risks, including the risk of harm to persons and property, associated with:
 - (a) the perils of the sea:
 - (b) the seaworthiness or otherwise of any boat participating in any race comprising part of the LGT Crestone Winter Series 2025;
 - (c) the participation, including negligent participation, by all persons in any such race, including participation as skipper, crew person, official, race organiser or otherwise; and
 - (d) the defaults, acts and omissions, including negligent defaults, acts and omissions, of Cruising Yacht Club of Australia ("CYCA") and its officers, employees, volunteers and members, and the crews of all boats;
- 4 acknowledge and accept that CYCA:
 - (a) does not and cannot control, diminish or affect the perils of the sea;
 - (b) is not in a position to take precautions against the risk of harm to persons arising from the perils of the sea;
 - (c) is not in a position to provide advice, assistance or support to boats and crews during the course of any race;
 - (d) does not certify the seaworthiness or suitability to race of any boat;
- 5 agree:
 - to the maximum extent permitted by law, to waive all rights against and release, hold harmless and indemnify CYCA and LGT Crestone and its officers, employees, members and volunteers (LGT Crestone and each such officer, employee, member and volunteer, a "Beneficiary") from any and all claims and liability any of those persons has to the owner/charterer or any crew member on the boat, or to any person claiming through or under any such person, in respect of loss of life or injury to persons, or loss of or damage to property, howsoever caused, including by negligent act or omission, arising out of or relating to:
 - (i) participation by the boat or any other boat in any race comprising part of the LGT Crestone Winter Series 2025;
 - (ii) the conduct or course of any such race in any respect including any act or omission (whether reasonably foreseeable or not) causing or relating to loss of or damage to any boat or the death of or injury to any person; or
 - (iii) any of the matters referred to in paragraphs 3 and 4;
 - (b) that CYCA holds the benefit of the contract formed by the acceptance of this entry by CYCA on trust for each Beneficiary and may enforce the contract on behalf of and at the request of all or any of the Beneficiaries
 - (c) that participation by the boat and crew in any race comprising part of the of LGT Crestone Winter Series 2025 is agreed by CYCA on the basis (among other things) that participation is entirely at the risk of the owner/charterer and each member of the crew on the boat and that CYCA and each Beneficiary are not responsible for the boat or its crew; and
 - (d) it is the sole and exclusive responsibility of each boat to decide whether to start or not to start in any race comprising part of the LGT Crestone Winter Series 2025 or, once having started, whether to continue to race;
- agree that if the owner/charterer or any person on the owner's/charterer's behalf including any member of the crew requests the Race Committee or any officer, employee or volunteer of CYCA to arrange for special assistance because the boat has become disabled, or for any other reason, then the owner/charterer indemnifies CYCA and its officers, employees and agents in respect of any liability, cost or expense which may thereby be incurred;
- agree that each indemnity in this document continues after the conclusion of each race comprising part of the LGT Crestone Winter Series 2025 and may be enforced before incurring any expense;
- 8 represent that I have been given an opportunity to obtain, or have obtained (or made a conscious decision not to obtain) my own independent legal advice regarding the meaning, scope and legal effect of this document and are not relying on any representation from CYCA or any Beneficiary in that respect:
- agree that the contract formed by the acceptance of this entry by CYCA is governed by the law of New South Wales and that any liability for harm to persons that results from breach of an express or implied warranty that the LGT Crestone Winter Series 2025 and all services relating thereto will be conducted or rendered with reasonable care and skill is excluded;
- acknowledge that CYCA owns all media rights in the LGT Crestone Winter Series 2025 and all rights in and to any visual and audio material and any data taken or collected by or on behalf of CYCA, or provided to it, in connection with each race comprising part of the LGT Crestone Winter Series 2025 and may exercise and exploit those rights as it sees fit;
- grant CYCA and LGT Crestone, at no cost, the unconditional, perpetual right and authority to publish and broadcast anywhere in the world, for any purpose and in any medium, the names, images, data and biographical information of the crew, and still and moving images and audio recordings of the boat and its crew, prior to, during and after the race;

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confirm that:

- (a) the information in the on-line entry form and documentation lodged with the CYCA is correct and up-to-date;
- (b) subject to the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, CYCA will be advised immediately in writing, or by acknowledged email of any change to that information; and
- (c) no alteration likely to affect the rating/handicap of the boat has been made since the boat was last measured/raced and that if any such alteration is made the CYCA will be notified immediately, in writing or by acknowledged

SIGNATURE:	_ Owner/charterer	DATE:
Please strike out the inapplicable words		

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