



KELLETT SHIELD NOTICE OF RACE

SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA // 30 MAY 2026

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) is the Cruising Yacht Club of Australia (CYCA)

2. VENUE

The event will be held at the CYCA, at 1 New Beach Road, Darling Point NSW 2027. Racing will be conducted on the waters of Sydney Harbour, NSW.

3. RULES

3.1 The regatta will be governed by:

- (a) the rules as defined in the 2025–2028 World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing including addendum UF - umpired fleet racing;
- (b) the prescriptions and special regulations of Australian Sailing (“Special Regulations”);
- (c) The rules for the handling of boats will apply, and will also apply to any practice sailing and sponsor races. Class rules will not apply.

4. PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

4.1 Schedule:

Saturday 30 May:

- (a) Race office open from 0800hrs
- (b) Registration from 0800hrs until 0830hrs
- (c) Briefing held at 0830hrs
- (d) Dock off at 0850hrs
- (e) First attention signals at 0930hrs unless specified by the RC.
- (f) The latest time for an attention signal on each day will be 1430hrs
- (g) Prize giving will be at approx. 1500hrs

4.2 Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is mandatory:

- (a) Registration
- (b) Briefing & Boat Draw
- (c) Prize giving

5. ELIGIBILITY

- 5.1 A maximum of ten (10) teams will be invited to attend. Only teams invited by the OA will be eligible to enter the event.
- 5.2 All competitors shall be over the age of 13 on or before 30 May 2026. Evidence of age shall be submitted to CYCA no later than close of registration.
- 5.3 All competitors must be a current or a past Member of the CYCA Youth Sailing Academy.
- 5.4 To remain eligible a team shall confirm acceptance of the invitation by completing the entry form to be received by the date specified on the letter of invitation.

6. ENTRIES

- 6.1 Entering -
The team shall be entered on completion of registration, the payment of all fees and damage deposit.
- 6.2 Entry Fee -
There is no entry fee

6.3 Damage Deposit -

- (a) An initial damage deposit of \$1,300 AUD shall be paid at registration, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.
- (b) If a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA, it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.

6.4 Insurance -

All competitors are required to have adequate third-party insurance.

7. BOATS AND SAILS

- 7.1 The event will be sailed in the Elliott 7m keelboat.
- 7.2 Ten boats will be provided.
- 7.3 One mainsail, jib and two spinnakers will be provided.
- 7.4 Boats will be allocated by draw each day as decided by the RC.

8. CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- 8.1 The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be four or five.
- 8.2 All registered crew will sail all races.
- 8.3 When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.
- 8.4 Each crew member shall rotate each crew position after each race . No crew member may crew in the same position before all crew members have crewed at least once in each position.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available on Friday 29 May 2026 on the CYCA website.

10. CHANGES TO THE RACING RULES OF SAILING

RRS 44.2 is amended in that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.

11. FORMAT & SCORING SYSTEM

- 11.1 A maximum of six (6) races will be conducted. The minimum races to constitute the series will be three (3).
- 11.2 The Low Point scoring system, Appendix A of the RRS will apply except all races will count for total points.

12. COURSES

The courses will be windward/leeward courses as described in the Sailing Instructions. It is the intention of the Race Committee to us a leeward gate.

13. PRIZES

- 13.1 The principal prize for first place will be the “Kellett Shield”.
- 13.2 The OA may reduce a prize in the case of misconduct or refusal to comply with any reasonable request, including attendance at official functions.

14. ADVERTISING

- 14.1 As boats and equipment will be supplied by the OA, World Sailing regulation 20.4 (see RRS 80) applies. Each boat may be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA
- 14.2 The OA reserves the absolute right to require any competitor to remove advertising displayed by competitors on clothing, equipment (while racing or attending official functions), on boats to anywhere within the boundary of the series venue which may be in contravention of moral decency or government regulation.
- 14.3 Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for infringements of any rules regarding advertising (amends RRS 60.1)
- 14.4 Competitors may be required to wear clothing displaying the event sponsors name (s)/logo(s). If required these items will be supplied by the OA and worn whilst racing.

15 MEDIA, IMAGES AND SOUND

- 15.1 By participating in the Kellett Shield competitors automatically grant the OA, their sponsors and WS the right in perpetuity to make use of, publish and exhibit, at their discretion, any motion pictures, live or taped film or video, television productions and other reproductions, photographs etc. of him/her taken during the period of the event, in which the competitor participates, without compensation.
- 15.2 Competitors shall not interfere with the normal working of the OA supplied media equipment.
- 15.3 If required by the OA:
 - (a) Competitors shall wear microphones supplied by the OA during racing and be available for interviews when advised by the OA or RC.
 - (b) Registered skippers shall wear communications equipment supplied by the OA that will allow commentators to communicate with them whilst racing.

16 OTHER REQUIREMENTS

- 16.1 The OA will issue all competitors and officials of the event temporary membership to the CYCA for the duration of the event. Temporary membership will be issued on the basis that competitors and officials respect the rules and regulations of temporary membership and can have this privilege revoked should such request be ignored.
- 16.3 All boats shall carry a marine VHF radio supplied by the OA. Boats shall use the radio to report retirement from racing, damage and/or for requests of assistance in an emergency. No other transmissions of any other nature are permitted by competing boats during each racing day from the first warning signal until racing has been concluded for the day.
- 16.4 The RC may use VHF radio to advise competitors of general matters relating to racing.
- 16.5 The use of mobile/cell phones or any other electronic device which would enhance a boats performance are prohibited whilst racing.

17. DISCLAIMER

All those participating in the event do so at their own risk and responsibility. Competitors must acknowledge this prior to competing and release the CYCA and its sponsors and their respective officers, employees, volunteers and members from all liability by signing a form provided by the CYCA.

Specific attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 3, which states:

“The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone”

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

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