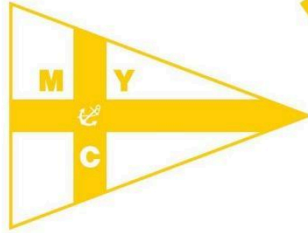


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**YACHT CLUB**  
EASTBOURNE N.Z.

**Muritai Yacht Club**  
2026 ANZAC Day Regatta

**Saturday, 26 April 2026**

*Organising Authority: Muritai Yacht Club, Marine Parade  
Eastbourne, Lower Hutt City*

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**Sailing Instructions**

**1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations Part 1 shall apply.

**2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located inside the MYC clubhouse.

**3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1300 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted online by 1800 on the day before it will take effect.
- 3.2 For protests where only a Rule of Part 2 is alleged to have been broken an arbitration hearing may be offered prior to any formal hearing.

3.3 Rule 61.1 (a) will be changed so that all boats entered in this regatta will not be exempt from displaying a protest flag.

3.4 Rule 26 will be changed so that if Flag U has been displayed as the preparatory signal, no part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment shall be in the triangle formed by the ends of the Starting line and the first mark during the last minute before her starting signal. If a boat breaks this rule and is identified she shall be disqualified without a hearing but not if the race is restarted or resailed or postponed or abandoned before the starting signal. When this rule applies Rule 29.1 will not.

#### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the main flagpole located at the clubhouse.

4.2 When the AP flag is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 20 minutes' for the race signal AP.

#### 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1

Day:	Date:	No of Races	First Warning Signal:
Sat PM	25 Apr	All Classes: Two races back-to-back	No earlier than 1345

5.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound for at least four minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

5.3 For subsequent races on the day, the AP flag will be displayed for no less than one minute ahead of the next start sequence. Classes may be started in any order, providing that the relevant class has completed their previous race.

5.4 No warning signal will be made after 1600 hours.

#### 6 CLASS FLAGS

6.1 Class flags and start order will be:

<b>Fleet</b>	<b>Flag</b>
Opti Open	Class insignia on a white background
Starling	Class insignia on a white background
Sunburst	Class insignia on a white background
Laser	Class insignia on a white background
Multihull	Paper Tiger class insignia on a white background
Optimist Green	Class insignia on a green background

**6.2** Additional fleets may be added or combined as required at the discretion of the race committee. Any additional combined fleets and their flags will be displayed on the Noticeboard.

## **7 RACING AREAS**

**7.1** The waters of Wellington Harbour adjacent to the Muritai Yacht Club.

## **8 THE COURSES**

**8.1** The course for all classes will be posted on the official noticeboard. The courses will be posted on the noticeboard inside the clubhouse by 1300hrs on race day. The approximate length of the upwind leg will be 0.4nm.

## **9 MARKS**

**9.1** Marks of the course will be orange cylindrical buoys.

**9.2** New marks, as provided in instruction 12.1, will be un-numbered orange cylindrical buoys.

**9.3** The starting mark will be a spherical buoy with an orange flag atop a blue staff, while the finishing mark will be a red spherical buoy.

**9.4** A race committee boat signalling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in instruction 12.2.

## **10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS**

**10.1** The Rona Bay wharf shall be considered an obstruction. Competitors, support vessels, and spectators shall keep clear.

## **11 THE START**

**11.1** The starting line will be between an orange flag on the Committee boat and an orange flag atop a blue buoy i.e., "the transit between two points".

**11.2** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

**11.3** A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4, *Low Point and Bonus Point Systems*, and A5, *Scores Determined by The Race Committee*.

**11.4** If Flag U has been displayed as the preparatory signal, no part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment shall be in the triangle formed by the ends of the Starting line and the first mark during the last minute before her starting signal. If a boat breaks this rule and is identified she shall be disqualified

without a hearing but not if the race is restarted or resailed or postponed or abandoned before the starting signal. This changes rule 26.

## **12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

**12.1** To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.

**12.2** Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.1, *Sailing The Course*.

**12.3** If a race is to be shortened, code flag S will be displayed at the mark at which the course is shortened, and all boats shall around the mark in the direction intended, before proceeding to the finish line to finish the race.

## **13 THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between the main flagpole on the yacht club and a red spherical buoy. E.g., “the transit between two points”

## **14 PENALTY SYSTEM**

**14.1** Rule P2.2, *Second Penalty*, and P2.3, *Third and Subsequent Penalties*, are deleted and rule P2.1, *First Penalty*, is amended to “When a boat is penalised under rule P1 her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty under rule 44.2. If she fails to take it, she shall be disqualified without a hearing.” Paper Tiger class yachts shall take a one-turn penalty.

**14.2** If a boat is penalised after she has finished, she shall be given a scoring penalty of 6 points without a hearing although her score will not be worse than the score for a DSQ.

## **15 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES**

**15.1** Time limits and target times are as follows:

<b><i>Class</i></b>	<b><i>Time limit</i></b>	<b><i>Target</i></b>
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<i>ALL</i>	<i>60 min</i>	<i>35 min</i>
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If no boat has passed Mark 2 within the time limit the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a), *Redress*.

**15.2** Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, *Time Limit and Scores*, A4, *Low Point and Bonus Point Systems*, and A5, *Scores Determined by The Race Committee*.

## **16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 16.1** Rule 44.1 is changed to permit a boat that has broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 to take a penalty after racing but prior to any protest hearing. Her penalty shall be a scoring penalty as calculated in rule 44.3(c) equal to 40% of the number of entries in her fleet or 50% of the difference between her finishing position and the number of entries in her fleet, whichever is less.
- 16.2** For protests where only a rule of Part 2, *When Boats Meet*, or Rule 31, *Touching A Mark*, is alleged to have been broken, an arbitration hearing will be offered prior to any formal hearing. Yachting New Zealand 4.5.5 will apply. (This changes Rule 44.1, *Taking A Penalty*). The scoring abbreviation for a penalty accepted at an arbitration hearing is ARB.
- 16.3** Protest forms are available at the control tower, located in the clubhouse. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 16.4** For each class, the protest time limit is 35 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day, or the Race Committee signals "No more racing today".
- 16.5** Notices will be posted no later than 15 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at the Eastbourne Scout Hall, beginning at the time posted.
- 16.6** Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b), *Informing the Protestee*.
- 16.7** Breaches of instructions 11.3, 18, 21, 23, 24, 25 and 26 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a), *Right to Protest; Right to Request Redress or Rule 69 Action*. Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the [protest committee] [jury] so decides. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.
- 16.11** On the scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered;
- (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
  - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes rule 66, *Reopening A Hearing*.

- 16.12** On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

## **17 SCORING**

- 17.1** The low point scoring system shall be used.

17.2 One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

17.3 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. There will be no dropped scores.

## 18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

18.1 Competitors or their representatives shall sign-on each time they leave the shore to enter the course and shall sign-off each time they come ashore from the course.

18.2 A boat that retires from a race or returns to the launching area before she finished the last race of the day shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

## 19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

19.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.

19.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

19.3 Change of sail numbers will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.

## 20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

20.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

## 21 ADVERTISING

N/A

## 22 OFFICIAL BOATS

N/A

## 23 SUPPORT BOATS

23.1 Except when requested to participate in rescue operations, team leaders, coaches, parents and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing and **are restricted to a 5-knot speed limit**, from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start of a sequence of starts until all boats have finished or the Race Committee signals a postponement or abandonment of all races. The areas the boats are racing in is defined as the area inside the course and within 100 metres of any mark, lay line, starting line, finishing line or any area where any boat that racing is sailing or may sail.

**23.2** When the wind is less than 10 knots support boats shall not exceed 5 knots within 500m of the area where boats are racing.

**23.3** When flag W (with a long sound signal) is displayed on a committee boat, or when a call for assistance is broadcast over the designated VHF radio channel, all support boats are requested to remain afloat and assist all sailors.

## **24 RUBBISH DISPOSAL**

**24.1** Boats shall not put rubbish in the water. Rubbish may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

## **25 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

**25.1** Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

## **26 PRIZES**

**26.1** Prizes will be given as follows at the discretion of the race committee: first, second, and third on line for each respective class, pending the number of entries for each class.

## **27 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

**27.1** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See the Racing Rules of Sailing, *Decision to Race*. The organizing authority 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.