

Appendix E:



The Steam Packet Hotel Thursday Twilight Female Helm Pursuit Series

D1. Class Flags

Combined Fleet Flag R

D2. Eligibility

Crews for the nominated female helm events (refer to Sailing Calendar), may consist of males and/or females, provided a female is on the helm for the duration of the race.

D3. The Course

Refer to the 'Marks' document attachment 1 for mark locations.

Competitors should be aware of the shipping movements that can occur at any time and are reminded to keep clear of shipping within Hobsons Bay and the Williamstown and Port Melbourne Channels.

Course No. 1. Southerly – approx. 5.3 nautical miles. (No Cruise Boat)

Start/Finish - between the Committee Boat and R4.

Start in a Southerly direction - V to port - Ch.74 to port - R4 to port - V to port - Ch.74 to port - finish.

Course No 2. Northerly – approx. 5.3 nautical miles. (No Cruise Boat)

Start/Finish - between the Committee boat and V Mark.

Start in a Northerly direction, - R4 to starboard - Ch.74 to starboard - V to starboard - R4 to starboard - Ch.74 to starboard - finish.

Course No. 3 Easterly – approx. 4.7 nautical miles. (No Cruise Boat)

Start/Finish – between Committee Boat and V mark.

Start in an Easterly direction - RMYS A to port - R4 to port - finish.

Course No.4 Westerly – approx. 4.6 nautical miles. (No Cruise Boat)

Start - between Committee boat and Ch.72.

Finish between Committee Boat and R4

Start in a westerly direction, 17A to port - RMYS A to port - finish.

Course No.5 East/Westerly – approx. 5.5 nautical miles. (Cruise Boat dep)

Start/Finish between orange mark and Committee boat 100 meters east of Ch. 75

Start in an Easterly direction - RMYS D to port - RMYS G to port, through start/finish line gate, RMYS D to port - RMYS G to port - finish.

Course No. 6. Southerly – approx. 4.9 nautical miles. (Cruise Boat dep)

Start - between the Committee Boat and R4

Finish- between the Committee Boat and V

Start in a Southerly direction - V to port - R4 to port - V to port - R4 to port - finish.

(Maybe shortened at R4)

Course No 7. Northerly – approx. 4.9 nautical miles. (Cruise Boat dep)

Start - between the Committee Boat and V

Finish- between the Committee boat and R4.

Start in a Northerly direction - R4 starboard - V to starboard - R4 to starboard - V to starboard - finish. (Maybe shortened at V)

Course No. 8 South Westerly – approx 5.4 nautical Miles (Cruise Boat dep)

Start/Finish – between the Committee Boat and R4

Start in a S.W. direction - Ch. 21 to port - Ch.78 to starboard - 17A to port - V to Port - Ch.78 to port - Ch.19A to starboard - finish.

Course No. 9 South Westerly – approx 5.9 nautical miles (No Cruise Boat)

Start/Finish- between the Committee Boat and RMYS G

Start in a S.W. direction - V to starboard - Ch.74 to starboard-RMYS G to starboard - Ch.74 to starboard - finish.

D4. The Start

The start line is course dependent, but generally to the east of the main Shipping Channel

The start time for each group is an expression of time in minutes after the primary starting signal and shall be displayed at two-minute intervals. The start for the group indicated by the numeral is signaled by the removing of the numeral.

When 'Pursuit Race' starts apply a boat's preparatory signal is **deemed made** four minutes before the boat's starting time. **Note: Flag "P" will not be displayed.**

The starting procedure is as follows and continues through each group:

Signal	Flag/Numeral Displayed	Sound	Minutes
Warning	Numeral Zero Displayed	1 Sound	-5
Primary Start	Numeral Zero Removed	1 Sound	0
	Numeral Two Displayed		
	Numeral Two Removed	1 Sound	2
	Numeral Four Displayed		
	Numeral Four Removed	1 Sound	4
	Numeral Six Displayed		

Boats not starting shall keep clear of boats in their start sequence.

D5. The Finish

The finishing line will be between the staff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee Vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the 'port end' finishing mark an orange buoy or nearby fixed mark.

D6. Time Limit

The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish shall be Nautical Twilight. If no boat finishes within the time limit the race shall be abandoned. Boats still racing after Nautical Twilight shall be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

D7. Prizes

The Steam Packet Hotel Thursday Twilight Female Helm Trophy shall be given to the first placed PHS HBYC boat in the series.

Additional prizes may be given at the discretion of Hobsons Bay Yacht Club.