

THE APOLLONIAN HOTEL



2025 CAT CHALLENGE

1ST & 2ND NOVEMBER 2025



**The Organising Authority is
Lake Cootharaba Sailing Club
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the special regulations of Australian Sailing, the class rules of the competing boats and by these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. RRS rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.
- 1.3. Arbitration: Appendix T shall apply
- 1.4. These SI's take precedence when there is a difference between the Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SI). This changes RRS 63.7

2. SCHEDULE

Saturday	Registration	ONLINE ONLY
	Briefing	11:00 UPSTAIRS
	Race Session 1 (back to back)	1st Warning not before 12:30
Sunday	Race Session 2 (back to back)	1st Warning not before 10:30 No Warning will be made after 15:00
	Presentation	As soon as practical after racing

Breaks or finish of racing for the day shall be indicated by appropriate flags (AP over H or A)

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 **Notices to competitors** will be posted on the official notice board located on the lower level of the LCSC clubhouse.

- 3.2 **CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the LCSC notice board at least 1 hour before the first start of the day. Any change to the schedule will be posted no later than 18:00 the day before it takes effect. Code flag L will be flown accompanied by a sound signal.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole on the northern end of the clubhouse.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes'. This changes RRS race signals.

5. ORDER OF STARTS AND DIVISION FLAGS

- 5.1. Flags as shown in the table in Attachment A will signal which division is starting.
- 5.2. The race committee may change divisions. This will be advised by a Notice placed on the Notice board. Order of starts may vary.

6. COURSES

- 6.1. Attachment A shows the courses and how marks must be passed.
- 6.2. Numeral pennant 2, 3 or 4 will indicate the course required.
- 6.3. The approximate compass bearing of the first leg will be displayed on the start boat no later than the warning signal.
- 6.4. Legs of the course will not be changed after the preparatory signal. This changes RRS 33

7. ROUNDING MARKS

Marks 1a, and 4p/4s will be yellow inflatable buoys.

Mark 2a and 3 will be orange inflatable buoys.

Offset marks 1b and 2b will be pink buoys. (teardrops)

All Marks to be rounded to PORT, except 4p/4s which are a gate.

8. START

- 8.1. Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 8.2. The start line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat at the starboard end and the course side of a red and white chequered mark at the port end.
- 8.3. The start boat is a mark of the course and the buoy attached to the stern of the boat is a part of it.
- 8.4. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other divisions.
- 8.5. A boat starting later than 4 minutes after its starting signal will be scored DNS (did not start) without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

9. FINISH

The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Committee boat and the course side of a red tear drop at the pin end.

10. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 10.1 Substitution of the helmsperson at any time during the regatta will not be allowed.
- 10.2 Substitution of a crew (i.e. other than the helmsperson) is not allowed without the prior written approval of the Jury or Race Committee.

11. TIME LIMIT

A boat failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat of its division sails the course and finishes will be scored DNF (did not finish) without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, 35 and A5.

12. SAFETY

A boat that retires from the race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

13. PROTESTS

- 13.1. Protest forms are located below the notice board.
- 13.2. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered within the appropriate time limit.
For each division, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
- 13.3. Notices will be posted no later than 30 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, at LCSC, beginning as soon as practical.
- 13.4. Breaches of instruction 8.4 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.

14. SCORING

- 14.1. Australian Sailing Yardsticks will be used. The race committee may adjust any boat's handicap.
- 14.2. Seven races are scheduled of which one must be completed to form the regatta.
- 14.3. When less than 5 races have been completed, a boat's final score will be the total of its race scores.
- 14.4. When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's final score will be the total of its race scores excluding its worst score.

15. PRIZES

- 15.1. Overall prizes in each division.
- 15.2. Best sailor under the age of 23.
- 15.3. Best Senior over 65. (Age must be included in Registration.)
- 15.4. Best Woman on Water
- 15.5. Other prizes may be awarded including the LCSC "TOP CAT" Trophy.

16. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party personal and property liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10 million per event or the equivalent. By entering the event, each competitor declares that they have the required insurance cover. LCSC will not be liable if a competitor declares that they have insurance, and it subsequently transpires that this was not true.

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS rule 3, 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.

18. SUPPLEMENTARY NOTES

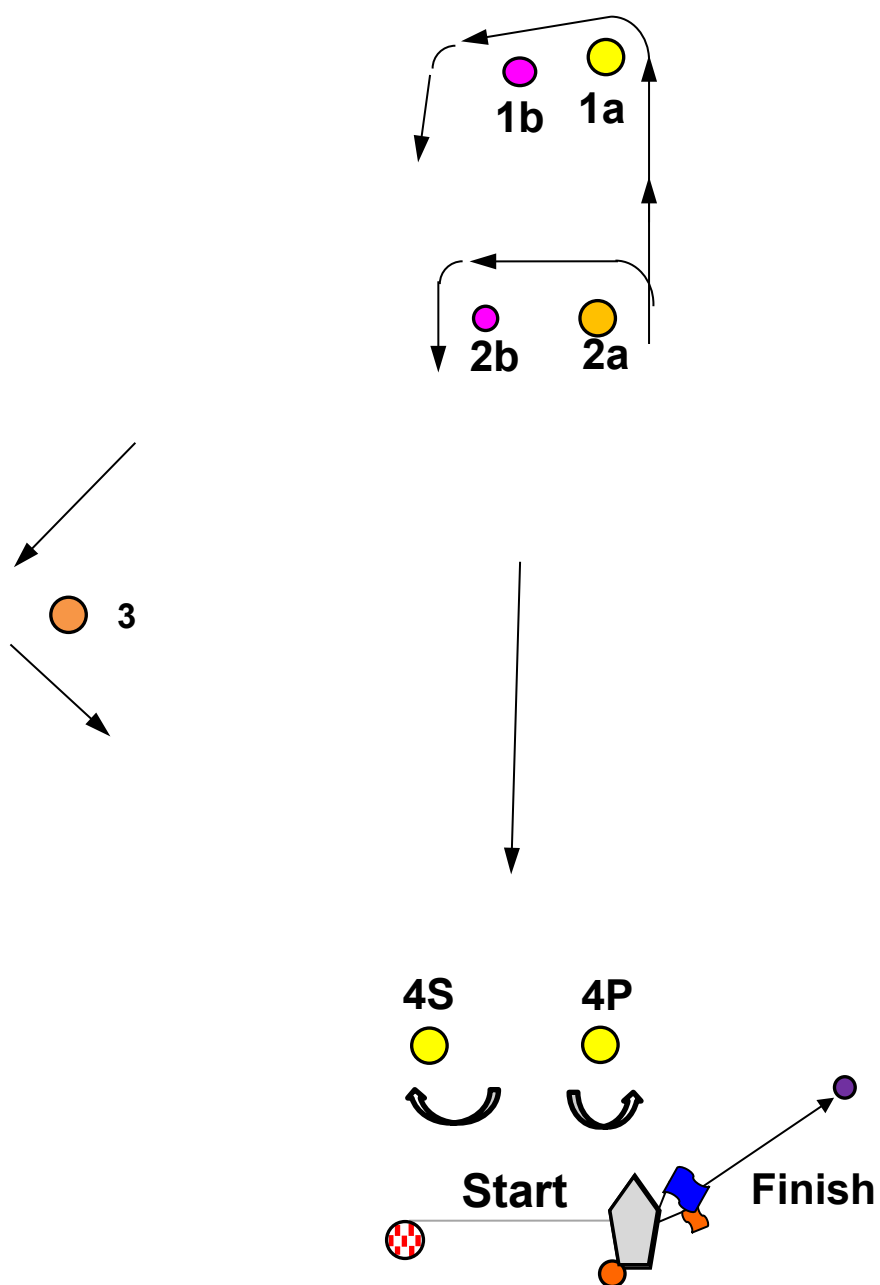
We are part of a small community in Boreen Point and wish to respect the activities of our neighbours.

Please be considerate in parking cars, boats and trailers so that traffic can pass easily and residents' access is not blocked.

We offer secure trailer parking at the LCSC storage yard off Teewah Street. Please ask us if you wish to store your trailer there.



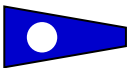
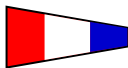
ATTACHMENT A COURSES



The order of starts

may change.

Check the flag signals!

Flag	Div.	Yardstick	Number of laps and order of rounding		
			2 	3 	4 
E 	1	Less than 70.5	Start -1a-1b-4p/4s -1a-1b -Finish	Start -1a-1b-4p/4s -1a-1b-4-p/4s -1a-1b -Finish	Start -1a-1b-4p/4s -1a-1b-4p/4s -1a-1b-4p/4s -1a-1b -Finish
F 	2	70.5 to 74.5			
G 	3	Over 74.6	Start -2a-2b-4p/4s -2a-2b-3 -Finish	Start -2a-2b-4p/4s -2a-2b-3-4p/4s -2a-2b -Finish	Start -2a-2b-4p/4s -2a-2b-3-4p/4s -2a-2b-4p/4s -2a-2b-3 -Finish