INTRODUCTION

Inviting all Trailerable, Inshore and Offshore Multihulls to race or rally on the waters of Moreton Bay. This regatta is about engaging people, crews and owners, to enjoy everything the multihull community has to offer, from great racing, to good comradeship.

The Program reflects different kinds of Sailing as part of a Day Racing program, with longer races as a chance to stretch the legs, and short courses to test boat handling, there is something for everyone.

Yachts with an OMR rating may choose to race with a serious approach to their on-water time, PHS will also be on offer, or multis may wish to cruise in company as part of the 5-day program of activities.

The intent is to demonstrate that no matter which type multihull you have, it can be fun to sail in competition with, and learning from, other sailors.

Moreton Bay is an ideal location for Multihulls of all types, providing ideal sailing conditions in semi-protected waters. The host club, the Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron, is one of the premier clubs in Australia, providing excellent facilities for sailors and their families. We hope that all will join in the excitement of seeing a large fleet of multihulls sailing on the Bay and join in the camaraderie.

BRISBANE TO GLADSTONE YACHT RACE

Competitors are invited to hone their skills as well as fine tune their crews prior to the annual Brisbane to Gladstone Yacht Race. The potential courses for the Moreton Bay regatta will provide all Gladstone participants with a better understanding of local conditions to navigate their way in the initial stages of the event that can prove the difference in overall results. The Brisbane to Gladstone Multihull division is a major event on the local racing calendar. The Multihull division for the Brisbane to Gladstone Yacht Race is organised by the Multihull Yacht Club of Queensland and will start on Friday the 30th March 2018. The Moreton Bay Multihull Regatta is purposely timed to provide a lead into this premier event.

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

THE ROYAL QUEENSLAND YACHT SQUADRON (RQYS)
In conjunction with The Multihull Yacht Club QLD (MYCQ)
Notice of Race: 2018 Moreton Bay Multihull Regatta

1 RULES
1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing modified in accordance with Rule 86 as follows.
1.1.1 RRS 52 is modified to permit the use of electric or hydraulic winches.
1.2 The Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australia Sailing (AS) – Part 1 Category 5.
1.3 The MYCQ Offshore Multihull Rule (OMR) shall apply to those yachts sailing under that measurement rule.

2 ELIGIBILITY, ENTRY & FEES
2.1 The regatta is open to all Multihulls over 6.0 LOA.
2.2 Competitors on the register of a yacht or sailing club affiliated with a Member National Authority.
2.3 Entries can be made via link online here and are to be received by 2359 Wednesday 7 March 2018.
2.4 Standard Entry: $200.00, Late Entry: $250.00
2.5 Competitors shall lodge a current Category 5 Equipment Audit form.

3 SCHEDULE
3.1 The schedule of events is as follows.

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<td>R1 Twilight Short Passage Race around local Manly Islands</td>
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<td>Sunday 18 March 2018</td>
<td>Breakfast at RQYS Canaipa</td>
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<td>R4 Long Passage Race from Potts Point</td>
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<td>Monday 19 March 2018</td>
<td>R5 Short “Corners” Passage Race</td>
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<td>BBQ Lunch and Closing Presentation</td>
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4 BERTHING
4.1 Free berthing will be available for trailerable multihulls.
4.2 Larger multihulls will have a limited number of free berths available. Please contact the RQYS Sailing Office.

5 VENUE
5.1 The Host Club will be Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron Ltd. 578 Royal Esplanade, Manly, QLD, situated at the southern end of the Manly Boat Harbour.
5.2 Saturday 17 March will be an overnight stay at the RQYS Canaipa facility that comprises of bar facilities, BBQ, swimming pool, amenities and grassed area for camping for non-live aboard boats. RQYS will provide services for boat crews to transport limited volume camping gear to the Canaipa venue.

6 DISCLAIMER OF ENTRY
Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organising 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.

7 INSURANCE
7.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of $10,000,000 per event or equivalent.
7.2 Competitors shall email a current copy of their Public Liability and Third-Party Insurance cover of none less than $10 million, to the RQYS Sailing Office via email (sailing@rqys.com.au) prior to 16 March 2017.

8 FURTHER INFORMATION
For further information please contact:
The Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron
RQYS Sailing Office on 07 3396 8666 or sailing@rqys.com.au