

## WBC Commodores Race 2024

*Organising Authority Weiti Boating Club*

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### Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions

#### 1.0 Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 For Keel Yachts the YNZ Safety Regulations Part II, Category 4 shall apply.
- 1.3 For Trailer Yachts the YNZ Safety Regulations Part V, Category A shall apply.
- 1.4 All boats shall carry or tow a dinghy (fully inflated or rigid)
- 1.5 All yachts must be equipped with a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on all channels.  
**A listening watch must be maintained in the cockpit on VHF Ch77** while underway either with a handheld or cockpit fitted VHF radio.
- 1.6 No spinnakers or extras may be set. Extras are defined as sails not normally used to advantage to windward. Headsails may be boomed out using spinnaker booms but shall only be carried on a permanent load bearing forestay with only one headsail per forestay.
- 1.7 **For boats being sailed single handed - see additional safety requirements in 12.6 below.**
- 1.8 RRS 52 will be changed as follows: Autohelms, electric winches are allowed
- 1.9 RRS Appendix T will apply (Arbitration)

#### 2.0 Eligibility & Entry

- 2.1 Entries will be accepted from Keel Yachts and Trailer Yachts registered with YNZ and whose owners/skippers are financial members of a yacht club affiliated to YNZ.
- 2.2 Weiti Boating Club reserves the right to accept or refuse any entry.
- 2.3 Entries must be made to Weiti Boating Club using the online entry form on the Club's website,  
**Entrants must provide a mobile phone number that they can be contacted on while racing.**
- 2.4 There is **No Entry Fee** for this race.

#### 3.0 Notices to Competitors

- 3.1 Notices to competitors may be posted as below.
  - 3.1.1 The Weiti Boating Club Website [www.weiti.co.nz](http://www.weiti.co.nz)
  - 3.1.2 Advised by Txt to the mobile number given in 2.3 above.
  - 3.1.3 Advised by email to the email address loaded with the online entry form
  - 3.1.4 On the official notice boards located at the WBC clubrooms.

#### 4.0 Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 4.1 Any change to the sailing Instructions will be posted at least 2 hours prior to the scheduled start of the day's racing, on the day it will take effect.
- 4.2 Notices of cancellation will be by Txt to the mobile number given in 2.3 above, at least 1 hour prior to the scheduled start of the days racing.



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### 5.0 Schedule of Races

#### Commodore's weekend

Sponsor: Burnsco  
Whangaparaoa

Entry fee: None

Day	Date	Destination	Trophy	Other
Fr	23/02/2024	Mahurangi [5]	Commodores Cup	Commodore's weekend

Start	High tide	
Time	Time	Ht
1800	2004	2.6

### 6.0 Class Flag

4.3 All boats will race in one class and fly a White class flag.

### 5.0 Racing Area

5.1 The race will be held on the waters of the Hauraki Gulf and Waitemata Harbour.

### 6.0 Course to be sailed

6.1 The Course as detailed in the Cruising Supplement: Mahurangi Course 5 - Navy Buoy [P], Te Haupa Is. (Saddle Is.) [S], Finish.

6.2 The course may be cancelled or shortened on the day of the race due to weather conditions. Any change to the sailing Instructions will be posted at least 2 hours prior to the scheduled start of the racing.

6.3 Notices of cancellation by txt will be posted at least 1 hour prior to the scheduled start of the race.

### 7.0 The Start

7.1 The start will be using RRS 26 in the vicinity of Arkles Bay.

7.2 The starting line will be between a Staff displaying an Orange flag on the Race Committee Vessel at the starboard end and an orange conical buoy at the port end.

7.3 A boat that arrives at the start line but for some reason does not start within 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5. *Note: Boats that do not come to the start line will be scored as DNC.*

7.4 If any boat or part of a boat, or crew, is on the course side of the starting line at the starting signal and is identified, the race committee shall attempt to broadcast her number on VHF Ch 77. Failure to make a broadcast or to time it accurately will not be grounds for redress. This changes Rule 62.1 (a). (Redress).

### 8.0 Change of course after the start

8.1 The Race Officer may change or shorten the course after the start by advising over VHF Channel 77 call sign "Weiti Patrol". Such announcements will be made at 15 and 45 minutes past the hour for the duration of the race. This changes RRS 32

### 9.0 The Finish

9.1 The finishing line will be as described in Addendum B.

9.2 All boats shall take a note of their (GPS) time they cross the finish line and advise the Race Officer.

9.3 There may be an official Finish Boat on station to verify finish times.



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#### 10.0 Time limits

- 10.1 The Time Limit after the start for first boat is 5 hours, and then 2 hours after that for the rest of the fleet. Boats failing to finish within the time limit will be scored DNF.

#### 11.0 Protests and requests for Redress

- 11.1 For protests where only a rule of part 2 (When boats Meet) is alleged to have been broken, an arbitration hearing will be offered prior to any hearing.
- 11.2 A protest shall be lodged on the appropriate form within the protest time limit and handed to a member of the Sailing Committee.
- 11.3 The time limit for lodging a protest is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished

#### 12.0 Safety Regulations

- 12.1 Skippers are required to maintain a written list on board of all crew for the day (including the skipper), their next-of-kin or contact person, and a contact phone number. All crew must be made aware of the location of this list before departing their marina / mooring.
- 12.2 All entrants are required to register with the Race Committee Vessel via VHF Radio Ch 77, before the warning signal advising the boat name and the number of people on board.
- 12.3 All skippers must take responsibility to ensure at all times their boat complies with the relative safety regulations in Sailing Instructions Rule 1.0 above.
- 12.4 Boats may be inspected for compliance with the safety regulations at the discretion of the Race Committee
- 12.5 The Organising Authority **recommends that ALL competitors wear a Personal Floatation Device (Lifejacket)** that meet New Zealand Standard 5823:2005 (inflatable type 401 150N) with a crotch strap while underway.
- 12.6 For any yachts sailing **Single Handed** the following additional safety regulations apply:
- 12.6.1 Skippers must wear an approved lifejacket whilst racing.
- 12.6.2 Skippers must carry on their person a means of communication to self-initiate a means of rescue in the event that they fall overboard.
- 12.7 **A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee immediately. Acknowledgement is required from the Race Committee.**

#### 13.0 Radio Communications

- 13.1 The standard race channel to be used is **VHF Ch.77**. All boats must maintain a constant radio watch on this channel.
- 13.2 The Race Committee shall designate one boat participating in the race as the Committee Boat for the race and notify all entrants accordingly.
- 13.3 Call sign for the Committee Boat is "WEITI Race Control".

#### 14.0 Prizes

- 14.1 Day prizes will be awarded on the designated beach on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February during the Commodores Picnic Event.
- 14.2 The Commodores Cup trophy will be awarded at the Club formal season prize giving at a later date.

#### 15.0 Insurance

- 15.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid Third-Party insurance - liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5M per incident or equivalent



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**16.0 Disclaimer of Liability**

- 16.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS rule 4, Decision to Race. The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.
- 16.2 The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

Further details contact the administrative office at either:  
 Weiti Boating Club Ph 09 424 5905  
 admin@weiti.co.nz

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**Addendum B: Map from Cruising Supplement showing Course 5 to Mahurangi**

<b>Course 5: Mahurangi</b>		
Distance	13.2 miles	Time Limit: 5 hours
Course	Navy Buoy (outer most eastern) [P], Te Haupa Is. (Saddle Is.) [S], Finish 5	
BBQ	Otarawao (Sullivan's) Bay	
<b>Finish 5: Mahurangi</b>	[Shortened course: Navy Buoy finish (a line between the 2 yellow buoys)]	
Transit	Brazier Rk [P]	36° 31.765 S 174° 43.758 E
	Te Haupa Island Light	36° 30.870 S 174° 44.834 E
Waypoint	36° 31.012 S 174° 44.663 E	
Bearing	24.7 degrees Mag to Te Haupa Is Light	
Chart	NZ5321	

