

MYC COVID19 Update– 31th August 2020

The NSW Government has issued new [guidelines relating to COVID- 19 for community sport](#).

The Government believes that there is currently a heightened risk of community transmission, and as a result they have asked all sports (including sailing) to restrict their activities to avoid intermingling of people across different regions of Sydney and NSW.

In order to assist with the implementation of these recommendations, Australian Sailing has divided Sydney into 4 "sailing regions" [here](#).

Over the next 5 weeks it is recommended, where practicable, that skippers sail with crew who usually reside in the same "sailing region". The intention is to discourage travelling for community sport. Therefore, if you live in Region A, you should, ideally sail with a crew who are also all from Region A.

As always, skippers take responsibility for the health and safety of their crew. Skippers will need to decide how best they can comply with the new recommendations while still safely crewing their boats. The Club will not be monitoring or seeking to enforce the new recommendations.

The Club understands that the introduction of the "Sailing Regions" may potentially hinder some boats and crew from being able to compete. As a result, all races scheduled until the end of September will be non-pointscore races. This decision has been taken so as to not disadvantage those skippers who may feel they are unable to race because they, or members of their crew, live outside Region A where MYC is located.

In addition, the Club has decided all post-race presentations will not go ahead in September and all race committee members will be sourced from members and volunteers who reside in Zone A.

The Club also understands that this is a significant change to the way our sailing activities would normally operate. We request that you use your best endeavours to follow the recommendations to ensure that sailing complies with NSW Health recommendations for community sport.

Please note that these 'Sailing Region' restrictions do not - for the moment - apply to social sailing or cruising.

The Covid-19 situation remains fluid and your understanding and cooperation is appreciated. We will keep you updated on a regular basis and post this on our website page.

We encourage all Skippers to enter the Summer Series and Club Championships [here](#) whether you choose to participate from Race 1 in September or Race 3 in October.
Safe sailing,

Lisa Callaghan – President

Jason Bond - Commodore