YACHT TWILIGHT SERIES - SI

1. Rules

1.1 The racing will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the General Conditions of Racing as defined by Section 7 of the MYC Handbook, except as altered by the Sailing Instructions which are also considered part of the rules.

2. Schedule of Races

- 2.1 The schedule of race days is shown in Section 5.8 MYC Calendar.
- 2.2 The following classes/divisions will be sailed:
 - Yachts Non-Spinnaker
- 2.3 There is 1 Pursuit Race scheduled per day.
- 2.4 The earliest start for the first boat will be 1800 hrs.

3. Class Flags

3.1 The class flags will be as follows:

CLASS	FLAG
Yachts – Non-Spinnaker	MYC Burgee

4. The Courses

4.1 Courses are shown in Appendix 12.A5.

5. The Start

5.1 All races will be Pursuit starts from the clubhouse triangles as described in Sections 7.11 and 7.13 General Conditions of Racing.

6. The Finish

- 6.1 The finish will be on the clubhouse triangles as described in Section 7.15 General Conditions of Racing.
- 6.2 At the beginning and end of the Twilight Series it can often still be dark making it difficult for the Race Committee to identify finishing yachts' sail numbers. It is requested that all yachts finishing in these times shine a bright torch onto their sail numbers to help the RC in identifying the finishing yacht. Failure to do this will NOT be considered grounds for a Protest either by the RC or other competitors.

7. Time Limits

7.1 The time limit for all races will be 2015 hours.

8. Protests and Requests for Redress

8.1 As twilights are a friendly race series, accepting protest arbitration is encouraged.

9. Penalty System

- 9.1 The racing rules will be modified in accordance with RRS Rule 86 as follows: RRS Rule 44.1 and RRS Rule 44.2 are changed so that only **one** turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required. This, changes 7.18 General Conditions of Racing.
- 9.2 If a Discretionary Penalty is accepted, it shall be a scoring penalty of 50% of the difference between a boat's non-penalized score and the score for DSQ. Half points shall be rounded up and the points of the other boats shall not be adjusted.

10. Twilight Scoring

- 10.1 A boat's series score will be the total of her series score excluding her worst 5 scores, unless less than 19 races have been completed, in which case her 3 worst scores will be excluded.
- 10.2 The PHS Handicap system will be used to score a boat's result and adjust her handicap.
- 10.3 A boat's start time cannot be adjusted to be earlier than 1800 hrs.

11. Twilight Female Helm Series

- 11.1 The Twilight Female Helm Series is a sub series of the Twilight Series that must be separately entered **in addition to** an entry in the Twilight series. The Twilight Female Helm series has additional results calculated from the corresponding Twilight series race.
- 11.2 Twilight Female Helm races will be scored as Pursuit TCF Races using the same Allocated Start Time as the Twilight Series.
- 11.3 The PHS allocated for a Twilight Female Helm race may differ to the PHS allocated for the normal Twilight race results as the Twilight Female Helm PHS calculation will only include Twilight Female Helm races.
- 11.4 The Allocated Start Time is the published start time for the boat in the Twilight Series.
- 11.5 When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her series scores excluding her worst score.
- 11.6 A series is constituted by the completion of 3 races.

12. Safety Regulations

- 12.1 Boats must carry and show navigation lights in compliance with the International Regulations for Preventing of Collision at Sea and TfNSW requirements for navigation lights.
- 12.2 Competitors who fail to notify the Race Committee of their withdrawal, or who fail to notify that they will not finish within the time limit, will receive a penalty of 5 minutes added to their next start time in the following race.

13. Further Information

13.1 A presentation and dinner service will be held on the MYC balcony after racing.

