

# Geographe Bay Yacht Club

## Supplementary Sailing Instructions (SSIs) – Geographe Bay Short Handed Classic Race

11-12 Dec 2021

These SSIs cover the Geographe Bay Short-Handed Classic overnight race Busselton-Bunbury-Eagle Bay-Busselton 11-12 Dec 2021. They supplement the existing *GBYC Sailing Instructions 2021/2022 Season* which remain in force except as amended by these SSIs.

### The Course (this replaces SI 8):

#### Approximately 69nm

Start in vicinity GBYC3 (rabbit start)

GBYC3 to port

Bunbury turning mark to Port

Eagle Bay turning mark to Port

finish Busselton Jetty as per *GBYC Sailing Instructions 2021/2022 Season*

### Marks (this replaces SI 9)

#### Bunbury turning mark:

#3 entrance channel marker, Iso G 3secs 6nm, 33 17.68S 115 38.93E

#### Eagle Bay turning mark (approx. 1nm E of Swan Wreck):

Yellow spar buoy, Eagle Bay sanctuary zone, FL Y, 33 32.97S 115 06.86E

### The Start (this replaces SI10)

The start will be a rabbit start approximately 0.5NM downwind of GBYC Mark 3. Selkie will be the rabbit boat and will have right of way during the start sequence. The Rabbit Boat will initially be proceeding on Port tack.

At 1555 the Rabbit Boat will announce the commencement of the start procedure on VHF77 (5mins to start) and also announce 1 minute to start.

After the start time all boats will start by passing the Stern of the Rabbit Boat on Starboard tack. When all boats have started the Rabbit Boat may tack towards the first mark of the course and normal right-of-way will apply from then on. A diagram of the Rabbit Start is at the Appendix.

### DURING THE START PROCEDURE THE RABBIT BOAT HAS THE RIGHT-OF-WAY

**Time Limit (SI 15):** as per Passage Series instruction there will be no time limit for the race.

**Radio Communication (this replaces SI 19):** Ch77 will be the communications frequency between participating yachts during the race. **All boats are to maintain listening watch on VHF16/77 for the duration of the race.**

**Racing Requirements (SI 23):** Skippers are to complete the Australian Sailing (AS) 2021-2024 Special Regulations Equipment Audit Form - **Category 3** and submit to Alison Stock by email [alison.stock70@gmail.com](mailto:alison.stock70@gmail.com) prior to 1Dec21.

All boats shall carry a motor and enough fuel enabling them to return to Port Geographe Marina unaided. Life jackets/PFD's must be worn at all times on deck.

## **Safety**

GBYC may not have a Race Officer on duty during all of the race. Safety coverage will be provided by ACRM Base monitoring VHF16 and VHF80.

Kwilena will call ACRM Base to log-on all boats collectively prior to race start. Boats will be 'logged on' with ACRM Base until 10am Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December to allow for light wind conditions. Kwilena will monitor finishing boats and will log-off all boats collectively once the last boat has finished.

Kwilena will coordinate 4 hourly fleet radio skeds at 1950, 2350 and 0350. Kwilena will report her position, then, when called, each boat shall report their position (e.g.33deg xxmins 115deg xxmins) and any change of intentions.

Any emergencies during the race are to be notified to all other boats as a Pan Pan or Mayday message on VHF16. On hearing a Pan Pan or Mayday call from the race fleet the race will be abandoned and all yachts should approach the yacht in distress to assist. If further assistance is required ACRM Base should be notified (VHF16/80) and asked to call-out Naturaliste, Busselton or Bunbury Volunteer Marine Rescue (contact details below).

### **Naturaliste Volunteer Marine Rescue Group VHF16/80**

Paul Bresland 0407 081 965

### **Busselton Volunteer Marine Rescue Group VMR 640 VHF 16/80**

Telephone: +61 8 9754 7777 OR **0407 755715**

### **Bunbury Sea Rescue Group VMR 634 VHF 16/80**

Telephone: +61 8 9791 2330 OR **0438 937038**

All competitors are to carry a Personal Locator Beacon and/or AIS MOB Beacon on their person at all times while on deck.....END OF SSIs-----

# RABBIT START



