



Admiral's Regatta 2023
Incorporating the SAS Western Cape Inshore Championships 2023
Notice of Race
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Hout Bay Yacht Club, Cape Town
25-26 March 2023

Venue: Hout Bay Yacht Club, Cape Town
Dates: Saturday 25-Sunday 26 March 2023
Classes: Offshore keelboats, Inshore keelboats (Hunters), Dinghy Classes & Small Catamarans

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

Hout Bay Yacht Club as sanctioned by South African Sailing – Western Cape.

2. RULES

- 2.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 2.2. ORC Rules apply for offshore keelboats.

3. COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1. All keelboats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on the VHF channels as stipulated in the Sailing Instructions
- 3.2. The official online regatta noticeboard is www.admiralsregatta.co.za/
- 3.3. A WhatsApp group will be set up for each class for notices to competitors. A link to join the group will be emailed to Skippers once they have entered the regatta.

4. ADVERTISING

- 4.1. The Race Committee reserves the right to require the removal from display of any advertising which, in its opinion, is not in good taste.
- 4.2. Boats may be required to display advertising as chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

5. ELIGIBILITY, ENTRY AND FEES

- 5.1. The regatta is open to all offshore keelboats with a valid ORC certificate, all small inshore keelboats (Hunter Class and other small keelboats) and all junior and senior dinghy classes and small catamaran classes.
- 5.2. Development/Junior Teams can request exemption from paying entry fees.

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- 5.3. Junior dinghy class entries must be approved by their relevant class as being competent to sail in the offshore conditions in Hout Bay.
- 5.4. For every ten junior dinghy entries, the relevant class must supply a rescue vessel, skipper and crew.
- 5.5. HBYC supports Youth and Development Sailing and encourages all entrants to use this regatta to promote various yacht club youth and development programmes.

Entry

- 5.6. The closing date for confirmed offshore keelboat and inshore keelboat entries is 17h00 on Tuesday 21 March 2023. Dinghies and small multihulls may enter up until the end of registration on Saturday 25 March 2023.
- 5.7. Notice of Race and Entry Forms may be obtained on <http://www.admiralsregatta.co.za/> or by sending an email to info@admiralsregatta.co.za or completing it online at <https://bit.ly/admirals2023entry>

The entry fees are:

- 5.8. R300 per keelboat including the skipper, and R 100 for each additional crew member.
- 5.9. R150 per dinghy or small catamaran and skipper, and R 50 per crew - i.e., R 150 for single-handed dinghies or small catamarans and R200 for double handed.
- 5.10. Entry fees must be deposited to the credit of:

Account Holder	Hout Bay Yacht Club
Bank	Standard Bank
Account Number	630 38 331
Reference	"Admirals [your Boat name]"

Please email the proof of payment to info@admiralsregatta.co.za

- 5.11. Late entries for keelboat classes will be accepted if received before 10h00 on Friday 24 March 2023. A keelboat late entry fee of R500.00 per boat including skipper, + R150 per additional crew member will apply.

Early entry is recommended to ensure dock space.

6. MEASUREMENT:

- 6.1. Each yacht competing in the offshore keelboat fleet shall be in possession of a valid ORC certificate, which needs to be submitted to the race committee by email to info@admiralsregatta.co.za by no later than 17h00 on Tuesday 21 March 2023 .
- 6.2. Hunters may be required to present a registration certificate on request.
- 6.3. All yachts racing in the Admiral's Regatta 2023 shall be made available for, and pass, random inspections or measurement checks which may take place between first day of event and last day of event, under the direction of the Race Committee.

7. SCHEDULE AND INTENDED FORMAT OF RACING:

7.1. Racing format for Offshore Keelboats:

- 7.1.1. Saturday 25th March: One medium distance race of approximately 4-5 hours in duration, followed by the John Coles Dash from the finish point of the final race of the day to a mark off the Hout bay Harbour Wall.
- 7.1.2. Sunday 26th March: One medium distance race of approximately 4-5 hours in duration
- 7.1.3. In addition, there will be an honesty race from Royal Cape Yacht Club to Hout Bay, to be sailed at a time of the entrants' choice, within two weeks of the start of the regatta. The winner of this

race will win a substantial prize. Separate Sailing Instructions will be issued for this race.

7.2. Racing format for inshore keelboats, dinghies, and small catamarans:

Dinghies, small catamarans, and inshore keelboats (Hunters) will sail a combination of windward leeward, triangle and bay race courses.

7.3. Schedule:

Saturday 25 March 2023	07h00 – 09h30: Registration for all classes and dinghy and small catamaran classes are still able to enter
	09:00 Harbour exit for all classes
	10:00 Scheduled first Warning Signal for all classes
	16h00: Complimentary craft beer on the dock and at the bridge deck for all competitors
	18h00: Bar open and food on sale at the club with live music
Sunday 26 March 2023	09:00 Harbour exit for all classes
	10:00 Scheduled warning signal for all classes
	Prize giving after racing (target time 17:00)

7.4. No warning signal will be made after 15:00 on Sunday 26 March 2023

8. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:**

Sailing Instructions will be available to skippers on request from the regatta organisers on email info@admiralsregatta.co.za and will be available on the website www.admiralsregatta.co.za no later than one week before the beginning of the regatta.

9. **CLASSES:**

9.1. The Regatta is:

9.1.1. An individual challenge for the trophies as described below.

9.1.2. Additional one design class - where more than three qualifying boats compete.

10. **SCORING:**

10.1. Three completed races are required to constitute a series, except for the Offshore Keelboat fleet for whom one race will constitute a series.

10.2. For the Inshore classes, when fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When from five to nine races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total her race scores excluding her worst score. When ten or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

10.3. There will be no discard for the Offshore Keelboat fleet.

11. **DINGHY AND SMALL CATAMARAN HANDICAPS:**

Dinghies and small catamarans will be scored according to the following handicaps:

- South African dinghy classes: [The SAS Portsmouth Yardstick Handicap system](#)
- International dinghy classes: [The RYA Portsmouth Yardstick Handicap System](#)
- Small catamarans: [The Small Catamaran Handicap Rating System](#)

12. **AWARDS, PRIZES AND TROPHIES**

12.1. The following Floating Trophies will be awarded to the winning boat(s):

- 12.1.1. **Admiral's Sword** for the winning keelboat offshore boat overall based on an ORC handicap.
- 12.1.2. **Orphan Dagger Award** for the winning boat on the Keelboat Inshore course overall based on a PHRF handicap, or in the case of a Hunter Only Fleet, on the low point scoring system for a One Design Class.
- 12.1.3. **John Coles Trophy** for the winner of John Coles Dash, scored on ORC.
- 12.1.4. **Leopard Trophy** for first overall in the Sailing Dinghy Class
- 12.1.5. **Taffy Bowen Trophy** for the inter-club competition
- 12.1.6. **Trophy** for the small catamaran class, should there be enough entries.
- 12.1.7. **Eagle Trophy** for the winner of the long-distance honesty race from Royal Cape Yacht Club to Hout Bay.
- 12.2. Prizes and other trophies may be awarded at the sole discretion of the Race Committee.

13. BERTHING

Early entry is recommended to ensure dock space which will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. Free mooring for a "reasonable period" is available before and after the regatta.

14. SAFETY

All participating boats in the Offshore Keelboat fleet must comply with SAMSA Category C for safety. All skippers are required to have the requisite Skippers Tickets.

15. LIABILITY & INSURANCE

- 15.1. All boats shall have valid third-party liability insurance.
- 15.2. Participation in this Regatta is entirely at their own risk -See RRS 3 Decision to Race.
- 15.3. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to or after the regatta.

16. RACE COMMITTEE

Bradley Brown (HBYC Rear Commodore of Sailing)
Kirsten Veenstra (Regatta Manager)
Doug Alison: (Principal and Offshore Race Officer)
Mary-Ann Sharwood (Inshore keelboat and dinghy race officer)
Paul van Tellingem (Technical and Scoring)
Richard Chase (Hout Bay Yacht Club Marina and Berthing)

GENERAL ENQUIRIES:

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