2026-2027 Summer Series

Notice of Race

Manly Sailing Club, Whangaparaoa, New Zealand
11 October 2026 to 7 March 2027

The organising authority is **Manly Sailing Club Incorporated**.

1. Rules

1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028*.

1.2 The **Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations of Sailing 2025-2028, Part 1** apply.

1.3 The applicable class rules apply.

1.4 The **O'pen Skiff Class Rules of Racing** apply to the O'pen Skiff class.

1.5 For foiling classes, any applicable class-specific racing rules, interpretations or addenda apply.

1.6 Appendix T will apply. For protests where only a Rule of Part 2, or Rule 31 is alleged to have been broken an arbitration hearing will be offered prior to any formal hearing.

1.7 [DP] Boats may be required to carry digital sign-on/off devices and/or GPS trackers arranged by MSC even if their class rules don't specify such devices (see NoR 5.4 below).

2. Sailing Instructions

2.1 The sailing instructions will be available on the Manly Sailing Club website before the first scheduled race day.

2.2 Sailing instructions may also be displayed on the official notice board at the club.

3. Communication

3.1 The official notice board will be located upstairs at **Manly Sailing Club.**

3.2 Notices may also be published on the club's website at manlysailingclub.org.nz.

3.3 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive communications not available to all boats.

4. Eligibility Entry and Fees

4.1 The Series is open to boats of all classes that are sailed by Financial Members of the Manly Sailing Club who will be automatic entries. Non-Club members may compete on

a daily basis in the “All comers” section of each division. Entries shall be made by ‘signing on’ at the Manly Sailing Club on race day and Non-members pay their fees.

4.2 Eligible boats may enter by registering with the race officials on any day of racing and completing the sign-on requirements specified.

4.3 A competitor shall be a financial member of Manly Sailing Club or pay the applicable casual racing fee.

4.4 Entry for Financial Club members is Free of Charge. The casual racing fee for a non-member is **NZ$20 per race day**.

4.6 The organising authority may combine classes or fleets where entry numbers are insufficient to provide separate starts.

4.7 The age limits for each competitor, entrant and crew members shall be as follows:-

(a) Open Skiff:	As per Class Rules
(b) Starling:	Youth, As per Class Rules
(c) ILCA 6:	Youth, Under 19 as at 31 December 2025
	Open, unrestricted
(d) ILCA 7:	Open
(e) Feva:	Youth, As per Class Rules
	Open, unrestricted one or both sailors
(f) 29er Youth:	Both sailors Under 19 as at 31 December 2025
(g) Zephyr:	Open Unrestricted
(h) Windfoilers	Open Unrestricted
(i) Wing Foilers	Open Unrestricted

Other classes may be added

5. Crew and Equipment

5.1 [DP] A boat shall comply with its class rules, including any restrictions concerning crew, sails and equipment and shall comply with RRS 78.1 at all times.

5.2 Substitution of competitors or equipment shall comply with the sailing instructions and applicable class rules.

5.3 Boats may be inspected at any time for compliance with class rules, safety requirements and this notice of race.

5.4 [DP] Boats may be required to carry GPS trackers arranged by MSC. These may be privately owned or club supplied.

6. Schedule

6.1 Racing is scheduled as follows:

Date	**Event**
Sunday 11 October 2026	Opening Day and BBQ
Sunday 1 November 2026	Summer Series racing
Sunday 15 November 2026	Summer Series racing
Sunday 29 November 2026	Summer Series racing
Sunday 13 December 2026	Summer Series racing and Christmas BBQ
Saturday 26 December 2026	Boxing Day Pole Race
Sunday 14 February 2027	Summer Series racing
Sunday 21 February 2027	Summer Series racing
Sunday 7 March 2027	Final Series race day

6.2 On each scheduled Sunday race day:

Activity	**Time**
Competitor briefing	1200
First warning signal	Not before 1257hrs

6.3 The schedule and start time for the **Boxing Day Pole Race** will be stated in the sailing instructions or published separately.

6.4 The number of races sailed on each race day will be at the discretion of the race committee, up to a maximum of five.

6.5 The separate **Manly Sailing Club Champs**, scheduled for 3 and 4 April 2027, do not form part of this Summer Series unless the organising authority publishes an amendment stating otherwise.

7. Venue

7.1 The event venue is:

Manly Sailing Club
65 Beach Road
Manly, Whangaparaoa
Auckland, New Zealand

7.2 Racing will take place in the waters off Manly Beach and adjacent areas of the Polkinghorne's Bay/Waiau Bay, as determined by the race committee.

8. Courses

8.1 Courses may include windward-leeward, triangular, trapezoid, harbour or other suitable courses.

8.2 Course configurations, marks and starting and finishing procedures will be described in the sailing instructions and briefed each race day.

9. Penalty System

9.1 For the Open Skiff (Gold and Silver), Feva, Zephyr and 29er classes RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

10. Scoring

10.1 The Low Point System in RRS Appendix A applies, as modified by this notice of race and the sailing instructions.

10.2 Five (5) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

10.3 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst scores as follows:

a) When five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

b) When from six (6) to ten (10) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

c) For every five (5) further races completed a further two (2) worst scores will be excluded.

10.4 RRS A5.3 applies.

10.5 Classes will be scored separately.

10.6 [DP] A boat shall comply with the sign-on and sign-off requirements in the sailing instructions to be eligible for a race score.

11. Support Persons and Support Vessels

11.1 [DP] Support persons shall comply with the Racing Rules of Sailing and any instructions.

11.2 [DP] Support/Coach vessels will be permitted and shall have a working VHF radio for communications with the Race Committee in the event of marginal conditions, sailors in trouble and/or injury to sailors. Note Race Signals 'V'/RRS 37.

11.3 [DP] Support vessels shall remain clear of the racing area from the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired, or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment, except when providing assistance to a person or vessel in danger.

11.4 [DP] All support person vessels shall always have an engine safety cut out switch (kill cord) attached to the driver while the engine is running, unless prior written exemption has been provided by the Organising Authority.

12. Risk Statement

12.1 **RRS 3** states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

12.2 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part, each competitor and support person agrees and acknowledges that:

- They are aware of the inherent risks associated with the sport.
- They are responsible for their own safety and for the safety of any boat or equipment in their care.
- They accept responsibility for injury, damage or loss caused by their own actions or omissions.
- Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and crewed by persons fit to participate.
- The provision of a race-management team, patrol vessels and other officials does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- The provision of patrol-vessel assistance is limited to the assistance that can practically be provided in the circumstances.

12.3 The organising authority, its officers, members, volunteers, race officials, sponsors and other associated parties accept no liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, before, during or after the event, except to the extent that liability cannot lawfully be excluded.

13. Insurance

13.1 Each participating boat is encouraged to be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of $1,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

14. Privacy

14.1 By entering the series, competitors and support persons acknowledge that the organising authority may collect and use their personal information for event administration, safety, race management, results and communications.

14.2 Names, sail numbers, clubs, classes and results may be published online and through other communications.

15. Media Rights

15.1 By participating, competitors and support persons grant the organising authority, without payment, the right to make, use and publish photographs, video recordings and other images of them taken during the event for reporting and promotional purposes.

15.2 A parent or guardian is deemed to provide this permission for a competitor under 18, subject to any written restriction accepted by the organising authority.

16. Prizes

16.1 The Summer Series winners will be recognised at the Manly Sailing Club annual awards dinner.

16.2 The Summer Series Medals may be awarded for 1st ,2nd and 3rd in the following classes:

Open Skiff Gold

Open Skiff Silver

Starling

ILCA 6 Youth

ILCA 6 Open

ILCA 7 Full Rig

Feva Youth

Feva Open

29er

Zephyr

Windfoilers

WingFoilers

16.3 The organising authority may award additional prizes at its discretion.

17. Further Information

Further information, amendments, sailing instructions and results will be published on the Manly Sailing Club website.

For additional information please contact:

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