



Aberdeen Boat Club

Christmas Pursuit Race 2014

“followed by a family
Christmas lunch on Middle Island”

Notice of Race

The Event Organising Authority is the Aberdeen Boat Club under the auspices of the Hong Kong Sailing Federation. Enquires and entries should be addressed to:

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1. The Event

- 1.1. This is a one day event.
- 1.2. This is a HKPN pursuit race event followed by Christmas Lunch on Middle Island
- 1.3. There will be a spectator chase boat to take people wishing to join the event but who have no boats and or wish to follow the race before Lunch.

2. Rules

- 2.1. The event will be governed by the ‘rules’ as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016.
 - 2.2. The following will apply:
 - 2.2.1. The HKPN Handicap System, as administered by HKSF.
 - 2.2.2. Class Rules where they apply.
 - 2.2.3. This Notice of Race (NOR).
 - 2.2.4. The Aberdeen Boat Club Standard Sailing Instructions 2013.
 - 2.2.5. In case of conflict between any of the above, succeeding items take precedence.
- This changes RRS 63.7

3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1. Eligible boats are all cruisers, J80s and multihulls with accommodation, that have a valid HKPN handicap.

- 3.2. Entries on the day of the event may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Officer.
- 3.3. Boats wishing to enter on the day should inform the Committee Boat at their earliest opportunity on VHF Channel 72 or call the Race Officer on the race phone 93128893
- 3.4. All participant and follower must inform the Aberdeen Boat Club while entering the race about their intention to take the Christmas lunch by booking a table with numbers.

4. Divisions, Classes and Handicaps

- 4.1. This is an HKPN pursuit race all boats will race under the same division.

5. Entry Fees

- 5.1. This pursuit race event is free.
- 5.2. The traditional Christmas lunch will be charged HK\$ 188 per head.

6. Schedule of Races, Course Locations and time.

- 6.1. Date Sunday 21 December 2014
- 6.2. Committee Boat / Junk or chase boat will depart from the main pontoon not later than 1000am
- 6.3. Start Times and procedures:
 - 6.3.1. The start Time will be in accordance with the ABC Standard Sailing Instruction page 42 and 43.
 - 6.3.2. The starts sequences will be declared by the race committee no later than 1800 on Saturday 20 and will be posted on the website race page.
 - 6.3.3. Late entry or on the day entry will have to confirm with the Race Officer their start time if entered after the publication of the other starts.
 - 6.3.4. In any case the first start for the pursuit race will be at 1030am
- 6.4. Course:
 - 6.4.1. One island courses will start in the vicinity of Round Island as usual with a finish back near Middle Island.
 - 6.4.2. Course will be chosen from the ABC standard Sailing Instruction (SSI) between number 40 or 41. SSI may be obtained from the Club or downloaded from the Club Website. <http://www.abclubhk.com/download/1223.pdf>

7. Results, Prizes and Protest

- 7.1. Provisional results for the days racing will be announced during the post-race festivities, as soon as possible after the last boat has crossed the finish line.
- 7.2. Day Race Prizes: These will be awarded to the first, second and third place boats.
 - 7.2.1. 1st prize free Christmas lunch for all crew
 - 7.2.2. 2nd Prize a bottle Champagne Taittinger
 - 7.2.3. 3rd Prizes a bottle of Beaujolais "Moulin a Vent"

- 7.3. Protest time for racers 30 minutes after last boat finished Any protest to be accompanied by a case of beer for the Protest Committee.

8. Disclaimer of Liability

- 8.1. The Aberdeen Boat Club, the Organizing Committee, the Race Committee, Race Sponsors and their respective representatives, officers, members and volunteers accept no liability whatsoever for any loss of life or property, personal injury and damage caused by, or arising out of the Regatta.
- 8.2. The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race, cruise or to continue racing or cruising is hers alone. (RRS Fundamental Rule 4).
- 8.3. Competitors participate in the race entirely at their own risk.

9. Insurance

Entered boats shall have third party liability insurance at least to the minimum cover required under Hong Kong SAR law.

10. Car Parking

Car parking for visitors at ABC is not available for visitors on race day. However, there is public car parking available close by to the club. Details may be obtained from the Club on 25533231 (Ext. 834) or by emailing to genman@abclubhk.com

11. Club House

Visiting competitors from the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club and Hebe Haven Yacht Club and Discovery Bay Yacht Club may sign chits on the race day on presentation of their club membership card. Other visiting competitors may purchase cash coupons from the Club office or Middle Island bar.

12. Food and Beverages

- 12.1. There will be a buffet breakfast before the event on Sunday 21, served in the Galley from 0800 hours at HK\$ 52.
- 12.2. Drinks and ice are available from the Galley on the day.
- 12.3. Traditional Christmas Lunch will be available on Middle Island.
- 12.4. Fuel is obtainable from the Aberdeen Marina Club fuel pier located opposite the ABC.