



**Race Sailing
Instructions
Notice to Competitors**

PERONI
STILE ITALIANO



The Peroni Sorrento Cup

Sailed under the SSCBC Season NOR and SIs as varied by this RSI. The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 now apply.

ENTRIES AND ELIGIBILITY

Entry is open to Couta Boats on the CBA Register. Casual Entries <http://sscbc.com.au/couta-boats/>



Division 1A: 26 ft. Couta Boats (High Handicaps)



Division 1B: Couta Boats (Low Handicaps)



Division 2: All comers Couta Boats less than 26 ft. (Div. 2)

REGISTRATION FOR DIVISION ALLOCATION

Boats must register or sign-on for this event by 12:00 hours so that Div. 1A and 1B can be split into equal size fleets and published at the briefing. Penalty for a breach of this rule is DNS without a hearing.

CREW or EQUIPMENT CHANGES

Changes under SI 11 must be notified using Crew / Equipment Change link here <http://sscbc.com.au/couta-boats/>

SCHEDULE

• 12:00:	Registration closes	MARKS	
• 12:30:	Briefing at the coloured wall	Start Pin	Checked Inflatable
• 14:25:	First Warning Signal	Other Course Marks	Orange Inflatables
• Order of Starts:	Div. 1A, Div. 1B, Div. 2	New Mark (RRS 33 / SI 17.3)	Orange Inflatable with a black band
• After Racing:	Presentation by Peroni	Finish	Box Finish – SI 31.5

COURSE

- Laid (OW) Start (SI 18) / Box finish (SI 31.5) - Other course details published at the briefing.

PENALTY SYSTEM - Racing will be umpired

- The part turn penalty in SI 22 still applies to penalties taken voluntarily.
- An umpire may penalise a boat for a breach of sportsmanship, a rule of Part 2 or Rules 31, 42 or 69 by signalling the boat with a whistle and red flag.
- A boat penalised by an umpire shall complete a one-turn penalty in accordance with rule 44.
- A boat that fails to take a penalty signalled by an umpire will be scored DSQ without a hearing. This changes rules 35, 63.1, A4 and A5
- Umpires may signal with a green and white flag where they did not see a rule broken.
- If there is not a valid protest for an incident between boats, the umpires are less likely to initiate a penalty.
- Any incident not penalised by the umpires may be protested or subject to Arbitration.

SSCBC AGGREGATE SCORING

A boat's score in this race will be her score in the SSCBC Aggregate series. This means that for the Aggregate there can be multiple boats with the same score in each aggregate division.

DIVISION PRIZES

1st Handicap Perpetual Trophies awarded for The Peroni Sorrento Cup,
First, Second and Third Handicap.
Line Honours.

About the Peroni Sorrento Cup

We are thrilled to welcome back The Sorrento Regatta to the sailing calendar (after a break of 103 years) featuring The Peroni Sorrento Cup, over the weekend of 4th & 5th February 2017. This prestigious race was first sailed in 1892 in the waters off Sorrento, until 1914 when it ceased due to the commencement of WWI. SSCBC is fortunate to have the original silver cup, which has been loaned to the Club from the family of Erland Erlandsen, who was one of the winners of this coveted prize.

The Course: The course will be laid based on the wind direction of the day. It will be an on-wind start and either the first or second rounding mark will bring the fleet somewhere near the Club. For safety reasons this could also mean that the first beat is not a true beat and is offset towards the club. The finish will be also laid in close proximity to the Club.

Historically the event was run in three divisions and therefore we have three divisions as the regatta continues on.

After a 103 year break, the competing boats don't fit as neatly into the divisions of the past. To resolve this we looked at how we could get roughly equal division sizes and determined this was best achieved by splitting Div. 1 in half based on handicap. This also provides close racing with the highest to lowest handicap differential being much closer within each division.

Various options on how to best split the fleet were considered in detail, however in conclusion, none of the alternatives were as simple and as inherently fair as an even split of Div 1. (Unfortunately we can't mathematically blend Div. 1 and Div. 2 handicaps for this one event – this would have to be done arbitrarily and would not be a fair consideration for either division)

Division split: The split of Div. 1 will happen based on all valid entries at 12:00 on race day. If there are an odd number of entries, then the higher division will have the extra boat.

The handicaps used to split will be the handicaps at 12:00 adjusted with all declared changes to crew and equipment.

Safeguards: It is possible there could be some gamesmanship around handicaps, so rather than have protests or reverting to the historical methods of settling disputes a century ago, the handicap committee will transparently award handicap 'bonuses' to boats that do not comply with the rules relating to registration and declarations.