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Amendments

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Sovereign Series

The Sovereign Series is a series of up to 3 yacht races combining ocean, bay and river racing. Yachts in these Races may be sailed fully crewed or with up to 4 crew with autohelm (4 plus autohelm) or Double Handed, as desired on a Race by Race basis.

The awarding of The Sovereign Series Trophy and the Foster's Lager Perpetual Trophy is subject to the provisions of this Notice of Series and the Notice of Race for each Race from which a yacht's score is drawn.

1. Points System and Designated Races

- 1.1. Race Points will be awarded to each yacht entered in the Sovereign Series based on the results in the **AMS** and/or **ORC** Handicap Category of each Designated Race in which she starts, using a weighted Low Point system defined as follows:
 - Race Points = (Race Score as per RRS) * (Race Weight)
 - Scoring shall be in respect of Sovereign Series entrants only.
- 1.2. The Designated Races for the 2023 Sovereign Series and their Race Weights for the purposes of scoring are:

Race	Start Date	Race Weight
2023 Cock of the Bay	Tuesday 26 December 2023	3
2023 Melbourne to Hobart	Wednesday 27 December 2023	1
2024 King of the Derwent	Tuesday 2 January 2024	3

- 1.3. If the Cock of the Bay and the King of the Derwent Races are both cancelled, then so too is the Sovereign Series.
- 1.4. If the Melbourne to Hobart Race is cancelled, then so too is the Sovereign Series.

- 1.5. If either the Cock of the Bay or the King of the Derwent Race, but not both, is cancelled, the Sovereign Series shall use the results from the Melbourne to Hobart Race and the remaining Cock of the Bay or King of the Derwent Race.

2. Scoring and Trophies

- 2.1. The Sovereign Series Trophy will be awarded to the owner/skipper of the yacht which achieves the lowest number of Race Points based on each yacht's AMS measurement handicap results.
- 2.2. The Foster's Lager Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the owner/skipper of the yacht which achieves the lowest number of Race Points based on each yacht's ORC measurement handicap results.
- 2.3. For both trophies:
 - The yacht shall have started in all Sovereign Series Races which are run.
 - The results shall be drawn from the Monohull Division.
 - Where the Monohull Division includes additional Divisions, the calculation of Race Points shall be based on the combined Monohull Division results.
- 2.4. A tied Sovereign Series score shall be resolved using the Race Points from the Melbourne to Hobart Race

3. Trophies Award

- 3.1. The Sovereign Series Trophy and the Foster's Lager Perpetual Trophy, together with a memento for each of the winning yachts, will be presented at the next ORCV Annual Presentation Ceremony..

4. Other Conditions

- 4.1. The ORCV reserves the right to amend this Notice of Series. Any amendments will be published on the ORCV website www.orcv.org.au and existing entrants will be notified.
- 4.2. The owner of a yacht shall comply with the requirements and conditions of the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions for each of the Designated Races she has entered.

5. Entries

- 5.1. As part of the entry of a yacht in the Monohull Division of the Melbourne to Hobart Race, there will be a separate TopYacht entry system check box to specify that the yacht also wishes to enter the Sovereign Series. If this check box is ticked, then:
 - The yacht will be automatically entered into the Cock of the Bay and the King of the Derwent.
 - No additional entry fee is required for the above two Races.
 - No additional entry fee is required for the Sovereign Series.

6. Trademarks and Copyright

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7. Recent Winners of The Sovereign Series Trophy

Year	Winner	Skipper
2018-19	Whistler	David Aplin
2017-18	Magique	Maurice Contessi
2016-17	Cadibarra 8	Paul Roberts
2015-16	Extasea	Paul Buchholz
2014-15	Seduction	Richard Nichols



8. Recent Winners of the Foster's Lager Perpetual Trophy

Year	Winner	Skipper
2018-19	Whistler	David Aplin
2017-18	Arcadia	Peter Davison
2016-17	Cadibarra 8	Paul Roberts
2015-16	Extasea	Paul Buchholz
2014-15	Seduction	Richard Nichols

