

Evolution Sails Kawau Classic Regatta

A regatta for all Race Yachts and Cruising Rally Yachts

Friday 29 January 2027 to Sunday 31 January 2027

The Organising Authority is New Zealand Multihull Yacht Club
in association with Kawau Boating Club

Notice of Race (NoR)

1 RULES

- 1.1** The racing divisions are governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2** The Rally events will be conducted under The International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea collision.
- 1.3** For Keelboats and Multihulls the YNZ Safety Regulations Part II, Category 5 shall apply.
- 1.4** For Trailer Yachts the YNZ Safety Regulations Part III, Category B shall apply.
- 1.5** For Sports Boats, the YNZ Safety Regulations Part VI Category B shall apply.
- 1.6** For Sport Multihulls, the YNZ Safety Regulations Part V shall apply.
- 1.7** All boats must be equipped with a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on all channels. A listening watch must be maintained on VHF Ch77 while underway for Race Committee communications.
- 1.8** Boats may fly extras (Extras are defined as sails not usually used to advantage to windward).
- 1.9** Racing Rules of Sailing Appendix T will apply (Arbitration).
- 1.10** Auckland Council Navigation Bylaw 2021 applies. Available at <https://at.govt.nz/media/1986434/navigation-bylaw.pdf>
- 1.11** Boats with movable ballast, in the form of a canting keel or water ballast may move the ballast to increase or decrease weight, or to change trim and stability. This changes RRS 51.
- 1.12** RRS 52 shall not apply to the adjustment of the canting keel or water ballast.
- 1.13** Powered winches, either electric or hydraulic, are permitted. This changes RRS 52.

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1** Advertising material, including flags, may be supplied to all competitors, and shall be applied in a location stipulated by the Organising Authority.

3 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1** The sailing instructions will be available by Monday 25th January 2027 at kawauclassic.co.nz

4 COMMUNICATION

- 4.1** The online official notice board is located at kawauclassic.co.nz
- 4.2** Entrants will be automatically invited to the event WhatsApp group
- 4.3** Notices will also be posted to the event WhatsApp group Evolution Sails Kawau Classic.
- 4.4** On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF CH77.

5 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 5.1** The event is open to all Keelboats, Multihulls, Trailer Yachts and Sports boats whose owners/skippers are financial members of a yacht club affiliated to their National Authority (Usually YNZ). The Skipper of each yacht expressly permits the OA to contact the designated club to for the purposes of confirming membership and eligibility to enter the race, if required.
- 5.2** Boats who race will race under a general handicap in divisions determined by the Organising Authority.
- 5.3** Eligible Boats may enter the event by completing the online entry form via the event website at kawauclassic.co.nz and paying the nonrefundable entry fee.
- 5.4** To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees by *2000 hours on Monday 18th January 2027*.
- 5.5** Entries will be accepted up to 100 boats in order of receipt of payment.

6 FEES

- 6.1** Entry fees are as follows:

Class	Early Entry Fee until 16 December 2026	Standard Fee Until 18 January 2027	Boats that have already entered BOISW
All	\$150	\$195	\$100

7 SCHEDULE

- 7.1** Dates of racing:

Date	Racing Divisions	Rally
Friday 29 January 2027	First Warning Signal 1555 1 race	Assemble at 15:00
Saturday 30 January 2027	First warning signal 0955 2 races	Assemble at 09:00
Sunday 31 January 2027	First warning signal 0955 2 races	Assemble at 09:00

- 7.2** On Sunday 31 January 2027 no warning signal will be made after 1500.

8 VENUE

- 8.1** NoR Addendum A shows the location of the event venue and the racing area.
- 8.2** Daily events, refreshments and a live band will be in the Kawau Boat Club after sailing.

9 COURSES

- 9.1** The courses to be sailed will be Windward Leeward using laid inflatable marks or passage races around nearby islands.

10 SCORING

- 10.1** One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

10.2 NoR Addendum 2 describes the concept for the racing and rally divisions.

11 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

11.1 The OA and sponsors are not responsible for the seaworthiness of a yacht whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment or crew, or for any other matter arising from this regatta.

11.2 The OA and its officers, members and servants, sponsors or other persons assisting with the conduct of the event will not be responsible or liable for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during or after the regatta.

11.3 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a yacht's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

12 INSURANCE

12.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with a third-party liability insurance, with a minimum cover \$5,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

13 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

13.1 By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the organising authority and the event sponsor(s) the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue for the event, until their final departure, without compensation.

13.2 Drones / RPAS (Remote Piloted Aircraft System) under the control of the organising authority may be used during the event. Participation in the event will be taken as agreement and consent to be overflown by and have RPAS operate within close proximity to competing boats.

14 PRIZES

14.1 Prizes may be awarded to winners of individual races and overall series results.

14.2 Prizes may be awarded to Rally Yachts based on novelty categories.

14.3 Daily prizegiving will be in the Kawau Boat Club after sailing.

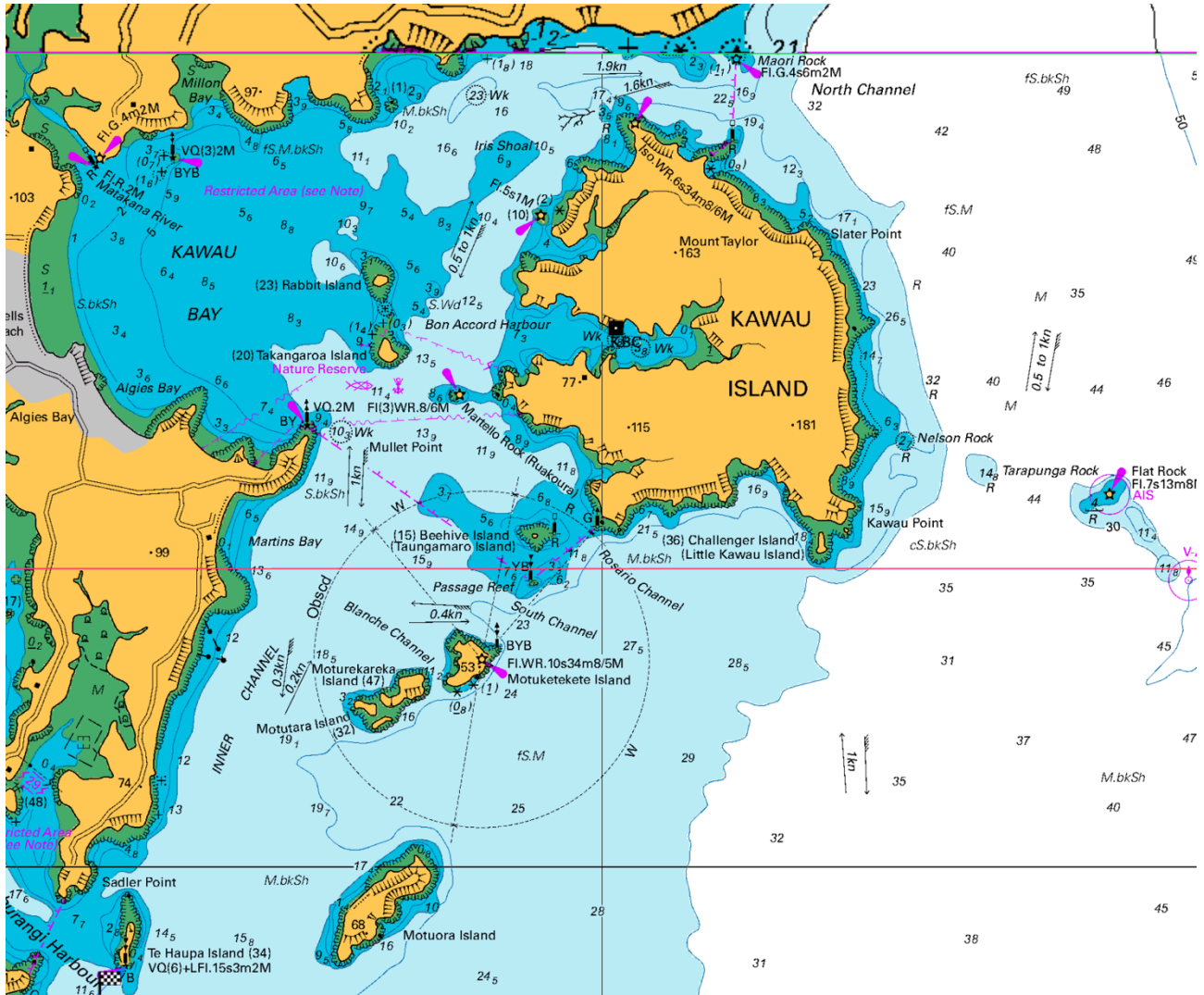
15 FURTHER INFORMATION

15.1 For further information please contact Info@multihull.org

Addendum A Racing Areas

Racing and Rally passage courses will generally be within the area shown in the diagram.

Racing courses will be set to give races ranging from one to three hours target time for the first boat of that division.



Addendum B Racing Concept

Racing Divisions

Racing will be divided into divisions of greater than 8 boats based on expected boat speed and type wherever possible. The racing divisions will sail a combination of windward leeward courses and round the islands passage races. The series is targeting a total of 5 races, one Friday, two Saturday and two Sunday

Rally Divisions

The rally division is a more laid-back style of passage sailing around the islands with a nominated assembly time and place.

Prizes will awarded on based on social aspects, e.g. best dressed, biggest fish, poker run etc.