



2021 Marsden Cove Marina Route 66 Briefing Document Essential Information for Skippers and Crew

BEFORE THE RACE

1. Read the Sailing Instructions
 - Cape Rodney Sched please advise position by phone or Ch 18
 - Alternate Finish option will be notified at Cape Rodney Sched (details in SIs)
2. Please ensure that your boat meets safety requirements (Cat 4+) and your VHF is in good working order
3. **Complete crew details online via TES - crew emergency contact details must be provided**
4. Marsden Cove Marina requires all berthing boats to provide a copy of valid 3rd-party insurance on request – print one off and keep it in the boat.
5. Singlehanders have special safety requirements, see the NOR and SIs, and wear your series shirts.
6. Tracking is required - be sure to set up the PredictWind Tracker App - details in the SIs
7. There are requirements for major spot prize eligibility:
 - **PredictWind Tracking is required for the \$500 PredictWind prize - see SIs Clause 22.1**
Support the sponsors and they will continue to support the race!
8. Check the weather – we recommend PredictWind!
9. Weekend parking at Westhaven for crew - ticketing at Westhaven has been suspended on the white parks for Friday of the R66 weekend. Parking in the yellow parks is restricted to berth holders and will be enforced.
10. Check the Westhaven Tower Friday morning - we will notify if the alternate start at Narrow Neck will be used by putting a big '2' up by 08:00. Gulf Harbour starters please check the Race Committee Vessel.
11. Tides for Auckland
 - **Friday 26/02/2021 HIGH 3.1m 0731 hours**

DURING THE RACE

1. Keep a listening watch on your VHF (Channel 16 as well as the race channels) – you might be a stricken boat's best chance at survival
2. The following scheds are **mandatory**: (*More information on scheds is in the SIs.*)
 - Soon after rounding Cape Rodney (call Route66/Onerahi Patrol on VHF CH18 OR phone/text to Jack Lloyd 021 955 195
 - Approximately 3nm from the finish (on VHF CH 18)
3. The Finish will be notified (No 9 Buoy or Fairway Buoy) during acknowledgement of the Cape Rodney Sched.
4. Northport has become busier please monitor VHF CH11 for shipping movements at Northport. As well Covid 19 has disrupted shipping movements to a degree.
For known shipping movements at Whangarei/Auckland refer to these websites:
<https://www.poal.co.nz/operations>
<https://northport.co.nz/inportpage/northportships>

5. Please mind your COLREGS obligations, especially ensuring that your navigation lights are on between sunset - sunrise. Note SI clause 1.11. Competitors shall abide by harbour regulations, including the '500 ton rule' or risk disqualification. In accordance with RRS 42.3(i) a boat racing may use its engine to avoid grounding to get clear after grounding provided the boat does not gain an advantage in the race. In addition, a boat racing may use its engine to comply with harbour regulations to give way to a vessel under pilot provided the boat does not gain advantage in the race. Any use of engines during a race shall be notified to the Race Officer as soon as practical.

6. Tides at Marsden Point for Fri/Sat are:

- **Friday (26/2/21) LOW 0.9m 1404 hours**
- **Friday (26/02/21) HIGH 2.8m 2021 hours**
- **Saturday (27/2/21) LOW 0.7m 0221 hours**
- **Saturday (27/2/21) HIGH 3.0m 0853 hours**

7. There are numerous navigational hazards when approaching Marsden Point, see Chart NZ 5214 and read the SIs for more details. No. 7 buoy is a course obstruction and should only be passed on the channel side.

8. Any time between now and Friday night, make a post on the Richmond Facebook page with the hashtag #RYCRoute66 and your boat will go into the draw to win a(nother) bottle of rum at the prize giving!

AFTER THE RACE

1. As you approach Marsden Cove Marina call the Race DockMaster on VHF Ch 77 for berthing instructions. Competitors will be rafted up on the sales berth, larger vessels may have a berth allocated to them.

2. **Be prepared with docking lines and fenders** as you come into the marina – mooring lines are not provided by the marina. If possible please dock alongside a boat of similar deck height to yours.

3. After settling and tidying your boat, please proceed to the marquee with your crew to exchange your Finish Declaration for your race pack.

4. Please be respectful to the residents, users, and the team at **Marsden Cove Marina** – they are a wonderful sponsor of the event. This means keep the party noise down after 2200 hours.

5. Showers are available, please ask the dockmaster for a loan shower card. These are free and limited in number, so please return them ASAP.

6. A cheap and delicious breakfast is cooked up by OYC on Saturday morning from 0800 hours. \$10 per head - payment by cash or EFTPOS card (no credit cards) and be early as it's first come, first served.

7. Prizegiving will start at 0930 hours Saturday morning – this will be in the marquee. We have line and handicap prizes for each division plus spot prizes to give away; set your alarm so don't sleep through it! The prize pool is ~\$5,000 this year thanks to **Lidgards, Safety at Sea, Sailutions, PredictWind, Mariner Marine Insurance, Ropeye/A-Z Marine Services, Floating Dock Services, Burnsco and Mount Gay!**

8. Route 66 T Shirts will be available at the prize giving \$20.

9. Boats returning to Auckland – Join the fleet at Kawau Boating Club, Bon Accord Harbour. Food, drink and fun with your mates at a great venue. There will be a RIB roving to help you to/from the dock; use VHF Ch 03 to call in a ride.

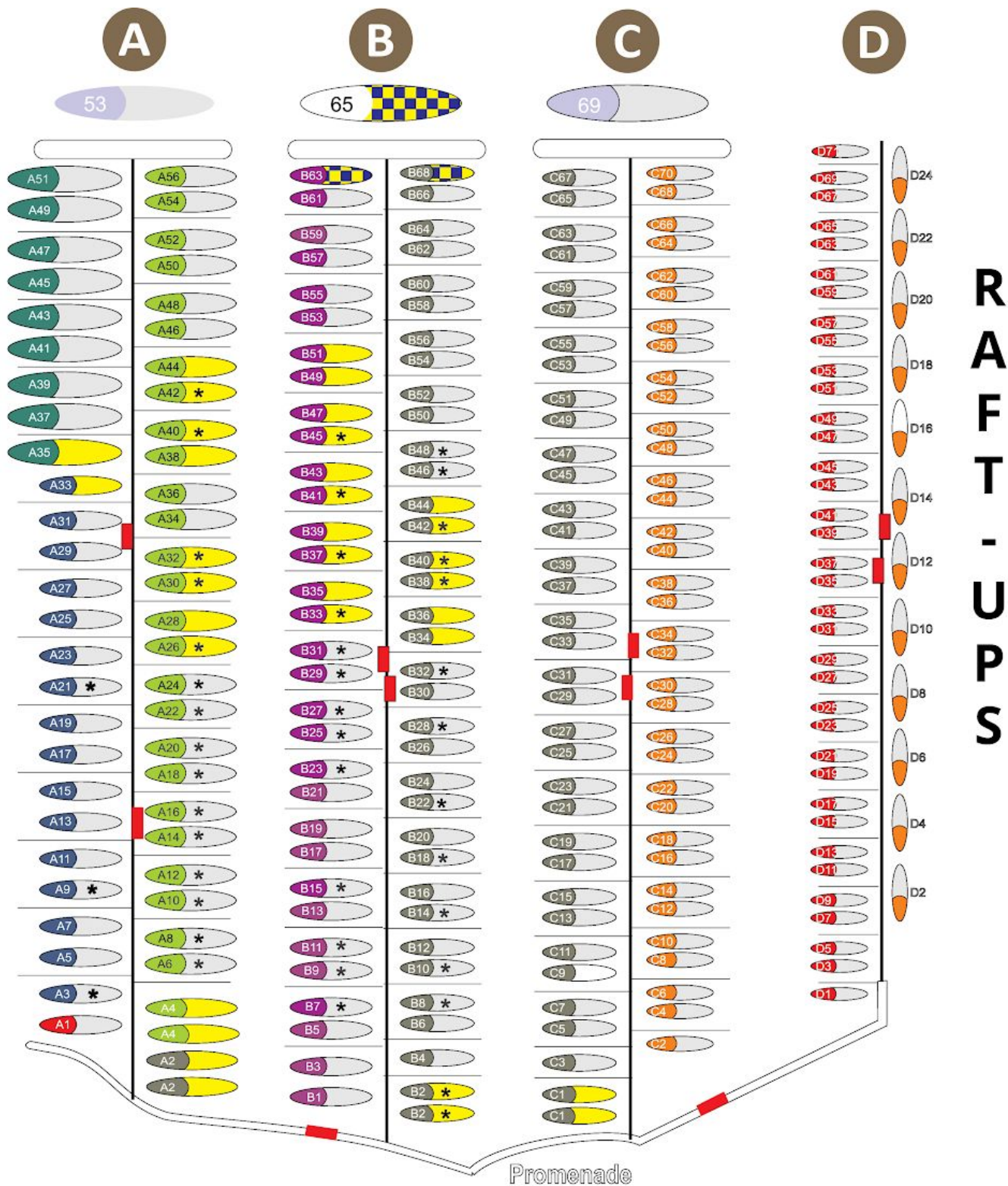
(BE SAFE, SAIL WELL, HAVE FUN! See you at Marsden Cove!)

SPONSORS

Thank you to our generous sponsors:

	<p>Route 66's title sponsor is Marsden Cove Marina, a world-class 230-berth marina just inside the entrance to Whangarei Harbour. www.marsdencovemarina.co.nz</p>
	<p>Sponsor of 1st prizes for all divisions, Lidgard Sails has become known for outstanding service and for producing quality yacht sails which prove to be tough and durable. www.lidgardsails.com</p>
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RAFT-UPS

Promenade

- 25 METRES
- 20 METRES
- 18 METRES
- 16 METRES
- 14 METRES
- 12 METRES
- 10.5 METRES
- 30 METRES
- CAT BERTH
- * 16 AMP
- Q DOCK
- ESCAPE LADDERS