



2022 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**
- 3 **Reply to the I2R text and use the I have retired button as well as contacting the race officers if you retire**
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.
- 4.5 Currently a maximum of 75 boats can be accommodated within Marsden Cove Marina priority will be given to smaller boats, please be sure to have selected RQST BERT in the entry form to help us manage requirements.
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. Westhaven Marina Gate Access is 219250. Access hours have been extended to cover Friday 4th March from 7am.
11. 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.
12. Tides for Auckland

- **Friday 4/03/2022 HIGH 3.5m 0935 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 Roger Knightley 022 587 1447)
 - 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 (04/3/22) LOW 0.5m 1555 hours**
- **Friday (04/03/22) HIGH 2.7m 2208 hours**
- **Saturday (05/3/22) LOW 0.5m 0411 hours**
- **Saturday (05/3/22) HIGH 2.8m 1031 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 [Please refer to separate Covid 19 protocols sheet]

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. **The Code for toilets, showers and rubbish as follows:**

General access code: 61716

Hot shower access code: 27811

6. A cheap and delicious breakfast is cooked up by RYC on Saturday morning from 0800 hours. \$10 per head - payment by cash or EFTPOS card and be early as it's first come, first served.

7. Prizegiving [Skippers only or boat representative] 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 **Burnsco, Safety at Sea, Sailutions, PredictWind, Mariner Marine Insurance, Ropeye/A-Z Marine Services, Floating Dock Services and Mount Gay!**

8. Route 66 T Shirts will be available at the prize giving and breakfast \$25

9. Boats returning to Auckland – Join the fleet at Bon Accord Harbour. Will either be dinner at Kawau Boating Club or a Sausage Sizzle at Lidgards Bay. Details at prizegiving. There will be a small dinghy to ferry people ashore. Contact Mark Becroft on 0274 780 125..

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

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	<p>Sponsor of 1st prizes for all divisions is Burnsco Westhaven. Burnsco is the biggest seller of marine, RV and motorhome accessories in New Zealand. www.burnsco.co.nz</p>
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