



## 2020 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 and Finish Sched on VHF 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 3<sup>rd</sup>-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 and Monday of the R66 weekend. Parking in the yellow parks requires a permit.
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.  
High tide in Auckland is 0451 hours, 2.9M.

### 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 or Lar Skovlund 021 189 7520)
  - 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. Monitor VHF CH11 for shipping movements at Northport  
Known Shipping movements at Whangarei/Auckland are as follows:

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| Auckland | NYK Futago       | 0500 hours | 06/03/2020 |
| Marsden  | Melanesian Chief | 0040 hours | 07/03/2020 |

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 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.

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

- Friday (06/3/20) HIGH 2.4m 1722 hours
- Friday (06/03/20) LOW 0.8m 2340 hours
- Saturday (07/3/20) HIGH 2.5m 0605 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 now 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 the docks of Marsden Cove Marina call the Race DockMaster on VHF Ch 77 for berthing instruction. 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 walk up to the marquee tent with your crew to collect your finisher's pack. **Please submit your finish declaration at this time.**
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. Bring cash or an 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 tent. 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, Mount Gay, Burnsco, PredictWind, Floating Dock and Mariner Marine Insurance!**
8. Route 66 T Shirts will be available at the prize giving \$20.
8. Boats returning to Auckland – Join in the unofficial race to 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!)**

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