

ORAKEI HANDICAP RACING EXPLAINED

OYC Has Handicap Seasonal Points Racing as follows:-

Summer: Jan- March

Autumn: April – June

Winter: July – Sept

Spring : Oct -Dec

OYC RACING RULES

OYC use as a frame of reference ISAF and IRSA interpretations of the radio controlled racing rules. OYC has some overriding localised rules over the foregoing (i.e. OYC allows the hitting of rounding marks)

RACE NIGHTS

OYC sails Tuesdays and Thursday evenings. Thursdays are the official point scorings evenings for the Handicap Series when there are 4 points races sailed, subject to weather conditions.

SEASONAL SERIES WINNERS

The winner of a seasonal Series is calculated on the lowest points scored at the end of each Seasons Series. There is also an overall winner of the 4 Seasons Series based on combining the best 3 Series placings out of the 4 Series.

DISCARDED RACES

In any one Seasons Series 25% of your worst races are dropped as discards.

e.g. 2021 Summer Series has a total of 44 races (assuming all races sailed). The allowance therefore at 25% discarded races would be your worst 11 placings.

However during the series, and for an indication of your current position, rolling discards will take place until the final calculation is made at the end of the series in question

If you miss any races this will be regarded as a discarded race points.

DISCARDED POINTS

Discarded race points are calculated on the highest number of participants during the season plus 1. So say you miss a race then if 16 competed in that race you are given 17 points. However if the next week 20 boats started then your 17 points would be changed to 21 (maximum number of starters +1). If you were in a race but did not complete the course this would be a DNF (Did not finish) and, if say 16 participants, you would be given 16 points.

RECORDING RACE FINISHING PLACES

Prior to any scoring Handicap Race you may be asked to stand down to take finishing results of ONE of the four races. If this happens then the number of races you have completed (should be three) that afternoon are averaged to give you the points scored in the race you took the finishing results e.g. You finished 12th, 6th and 9th in your races. Total points = 27/3races = a 9th assessed place.

HANDICAPPING

Handicap start positions are determined by past handicap results and observations by the Handicapper