



## SYDNEY AMATEUR SAILING CLUB

### GAFFERS DAY 2011 23<sup>rd</sup> OCTOBER 2011 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

**RACE OFFICIALS:** Charles Maclurcan and team on Captain Amora - 0419 625 883.

**TIDES:** High: 1757 1.58m  
Low: 1144 0.47m

**RULES:** This event will be conducted under the current International Rules for Preventing Collisions At Sea (Coll. Regs) and the NSW Maritime Regulations for Sydney Harbour.

#### STARTING TIMES:

12:50 Warning Signal

12:55 Preparatory Signal

13:00 Start

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Rangers & Coutas will have a scratch start at 13:00.  
The Historic 18ft Skiffs will have a scratch start at 13:05.  
All other yachts to start at their start time as listed separately.  
No other signals will be given after the Start signal.  
There will be no numeral boards displayed.

**TIMING:** Race time will be coordinated with Eastern Daylight Saving Time - telephone 1194.

**POSTPONEMENT:** The flying of the Answering Pennant (Red and White vertical bars) will mean that the start will be postponed until such time as the Warning Signal is made.

**STARTING LINE:** The starting line will be in Athol Bight, between the Captain Amora and an orange buoy. Competitors must cross the line in the direction of the first mark. In certain winds this may mean a running start.

**FINISHING LINE:** In Athol Bight between the Captain Amora and an orange mark. Yachts must cross in the direction from the last mark.

**TIME LIMIT:** The time limit shall be 1515 hours. No yachts shall be finished after this time.

**EXTRAS:** No running sails such as spinnakers may be set. Headsails may be poled out. Square sails may be set on a yard if the yacht is normally so rigged.



**RESPONSIBILITIES:** All vessels should at the very least comply with NSW Maritime Safety requirements.

It shall be the sole responsibility of each yacht to decide whether or not to start or continue to take part in the rally.

Yachts must keep clear of the Starting Line and yachts starting unless engaged in starting.

Yachts that have finished must keep clear of yachts heading to the Finish Line. Yachts having retired must not cross the Finish Line.

To assist the Officials and spectators, competitors are requested to carry identification as listed on the programme, on the mainsail at throat height.

Where necessary, suitable letters will be allocated and listed on the programme. Wide black sticky tape on light coloured sails, and white on dark sails will suffice. All yachts must comply with this requirement.

**RIGHT OF WAY:** Very large yachts may use their engines if necessary for easy and safe manoeuvring up to two (2) minutes before their allocated starting time. For safety reasons, yachts should yield right of way to other vessels, which are slow to respond.

**COURSES:** (see separate maps attached)

**RANGERS-COUTAS, GAFF RIGGED DIVISION 1 AND HISTORIC 18 FT SKIFFS:**

Course A: From Starting Line to White SASC buoy south of Clark Island (SC) (port rounding); Taylor Bay YA mark; Shark Mark; Taylor Bay YA mark; Shark Mark (all starboard rounding); finish Athol Bight.

**GAFF RIGGED DIVISION II:**

Course B: From Starting Line to White SASC buoy south of Clark Island (SC) (port rounding); Taylor Bay YA mark; Shark Mark (all starboard rounding); finish Athol Bight.

**BERMUDAN DIVISION I:**

Course C: From Starting Line to White SASC buoy south of Clark Island (SC) (port rounding); Obelisk YA mark; Lady Bay YA mark; Shark Mark (all starboard rounding); finish Athol Bight.

**BERMUDAN DIVISION II:**

Course D: From Starting Line to White SASC buoy south of Clark Island (SC) (port rounding); Chowder Bay YA mark; Eastern Channel YA mark; Shark Mark (all starboard rounding); finish Athol Bight.



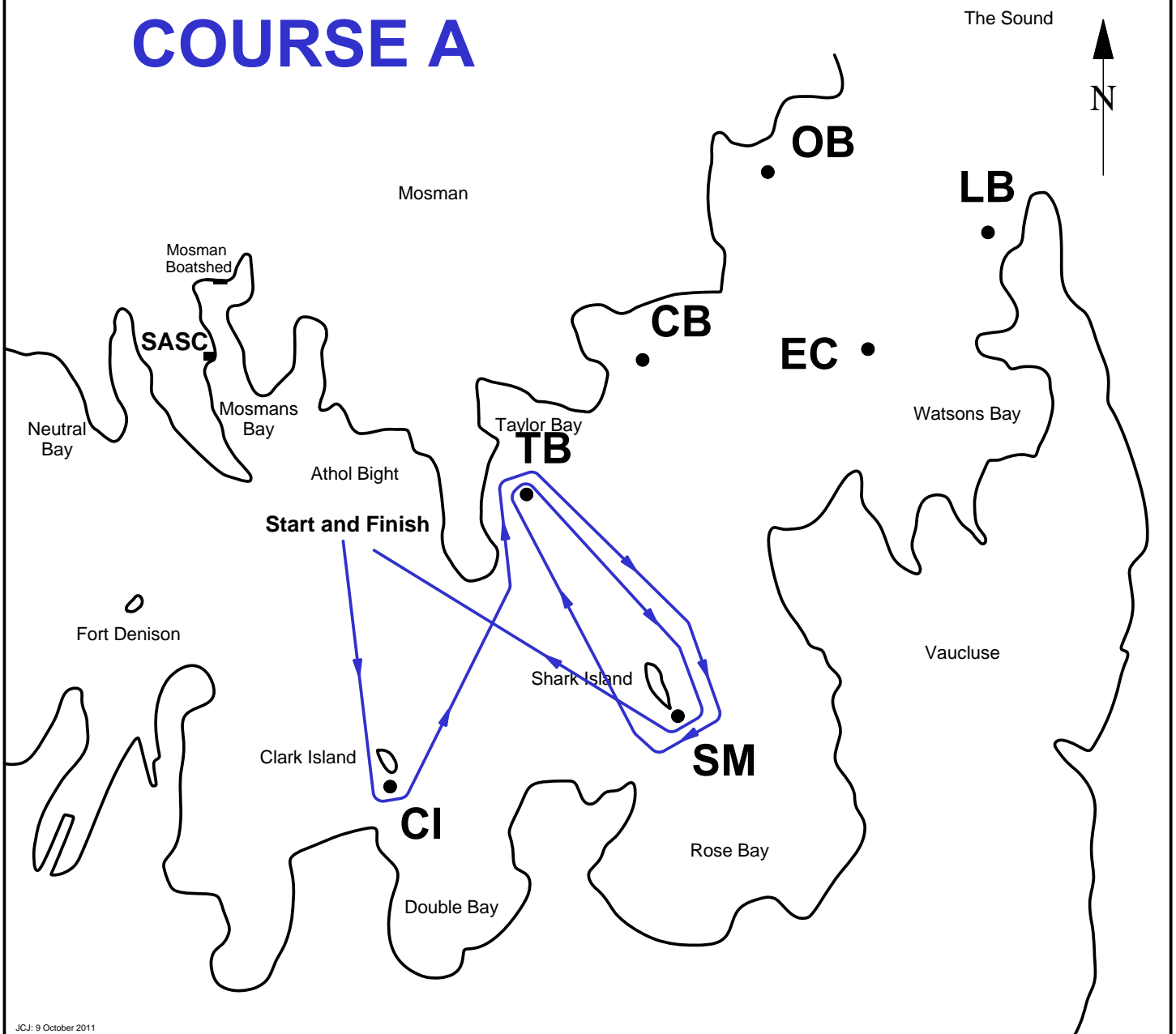
- DRESS:** All crew competing in the Gaffers Day rally are expressly requested to dress in appropriate period costume.
- LADIES CHOICE:** Judging of the best-dressed boat, as well as crew with the best costume, will be made on the water.
- SPIRIT OF THE DAY:** All yachts shall accept that handicapping such an event as Gaffers Day is particularly difficult, given firstly the unknown performance histories, and secondly the likelihood of weather conditions that may greatly affect any results.
- BERTHING:** Some yachts may have been allocated positions alongside the pontoon or on a specific mooring at SASC on the day. Please note that whilst we will make all efforts to satisfy these allocations, we may have to make other arrangements on the day. It will greatly help for yachts that have allocated positions to arrive at the club as early as possible. All of these yachts should contact the Dock Master and/or tender driver on arrival for more instructions. Phone: 0418 678 690.
- It is essential that these yachts have adequate warps and fenders.
- Any other yachts are welcome to moor or anchor as close to the clubhouse as possible, making sure to keep the ferry lane clear. Again please contact the Dock Master and/or tender drivers for further instructions, on 0418 678 690.
- FERRY:** The Proclaim has been organised to take distinguished guests and spectators around the course to view the event. Tickets are available at \$40.00 per head, which include finger food, refreshments, and commentary from our Patron, Bill Gale. Should any of your friends wish to book, please contact Megan Keogh in the SASC Office on 9953 1433. Please note tickets are limited.
- SKITE PLATES:** Skite plates will be issued to all participants. These will be mailed out shortly after the event.

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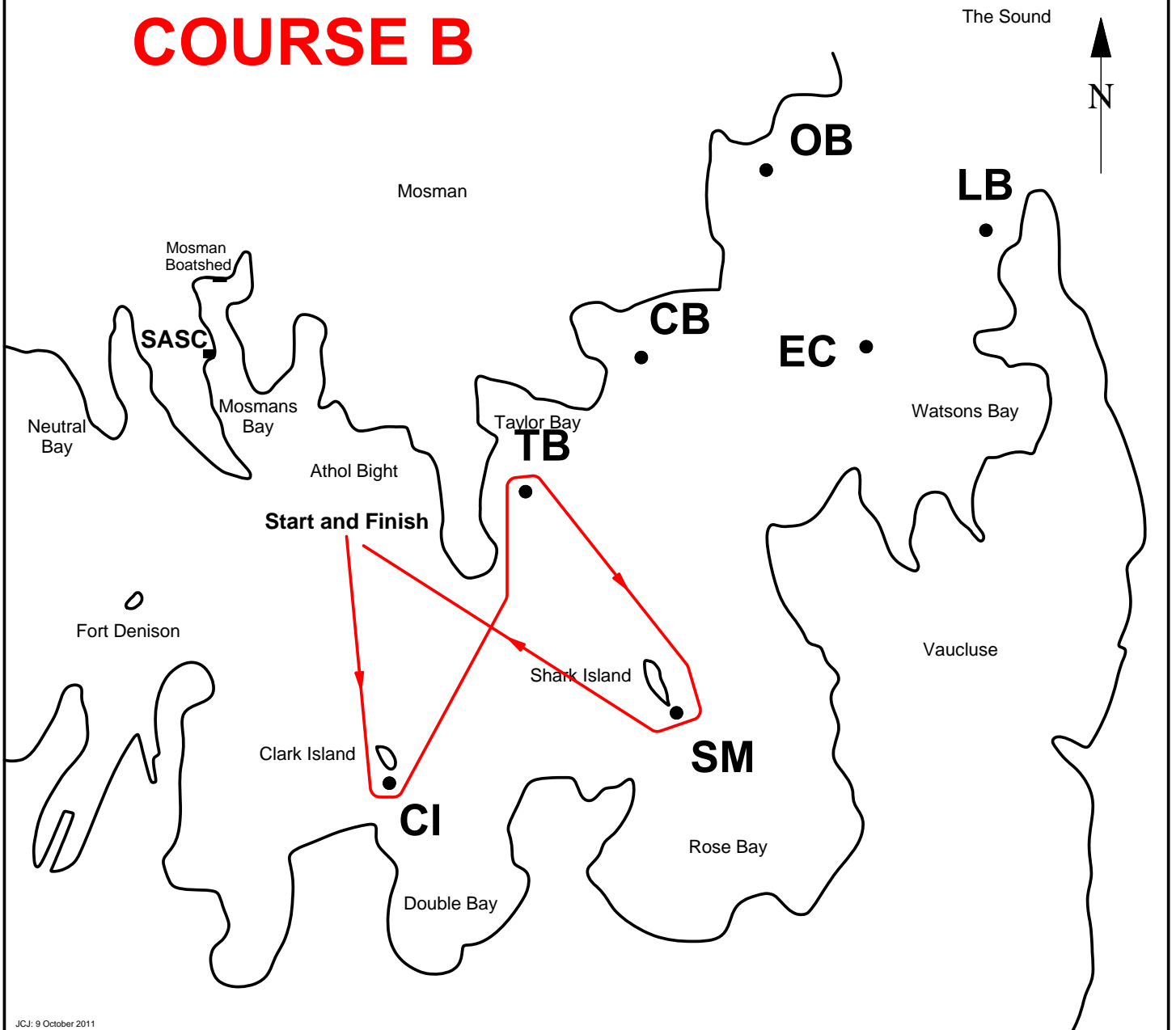


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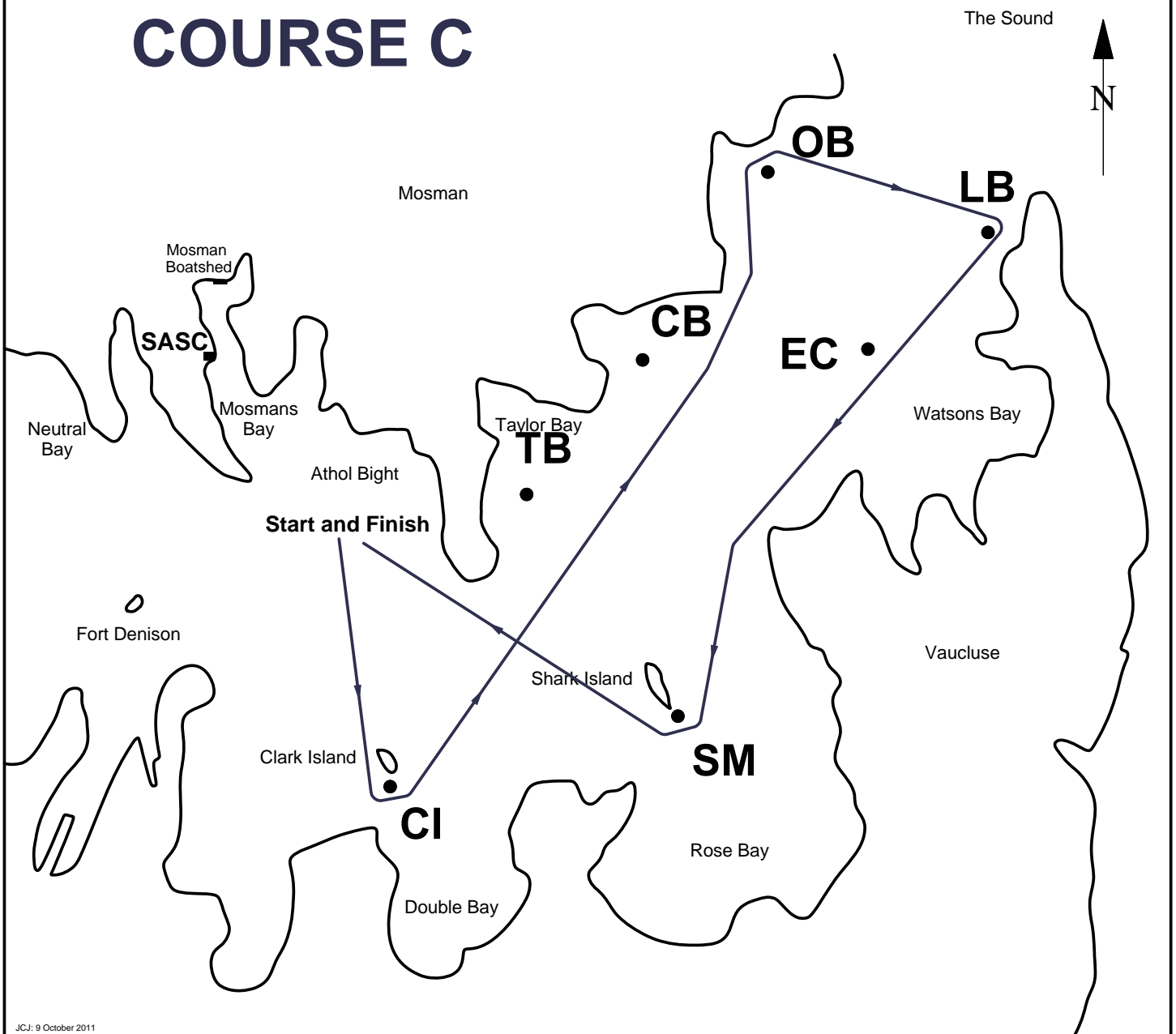


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