

# RBYC Race Management Tool Buoy Zone



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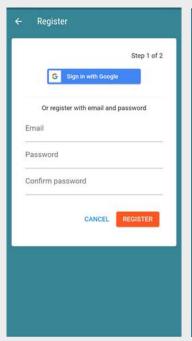
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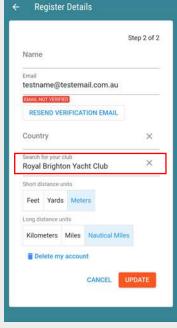
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## How to get started with Buoy Zone – Race Officer

#### Create an account



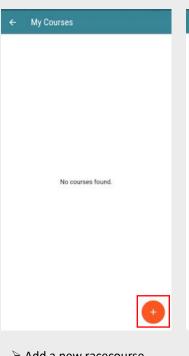


- ➤ Download the app "Buoy Zone" from app store.
- ➤ Register using your Google or Apple account – or create a new account.
- ➤ Input your personal Details.
- > Search for RBYC and link your account to the club.

#### Create a new course



Create a new racecourse by clicking "Manage a Course".



- ➤ Add a new racecourse. Select Plus Sign.
- > Fill in the host club.

Create course

Royal Brighton Yacht Club

Host country Australia

Course Code \*

RBYCTEST

Club course template

No club templates available

Changing the host club here makes it only visible to members of this club, when shared.

Create a new course code. When you share your course it will automatically be visible to club members at (REVC). If a support boat is from a different club simply share this code with them.

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CANCEL

➤ Define a course name that can be easily recognised.



## How to set up a new racecourse - Course axis and size

Enter the course size (nm) and the Enter the course axis. length of the start-line (m) Course settings depending on the wind conditions and the boat types. General Settings Course axis (°M) 180 Start vessel location can be Start-line length (m) The start pin bias can be between updated with the current vessel +15° and -15°. location as long as racecourse is Start boat location Manual course location not yet finalised. After finalising Manual location is not recommended when laying a course the racecourse please choose "Manual course location" so that SELECT ON MAP the start vessel location does not SHOW LESS change, if the start vessel swings Decimal Deg\* or let 'out more anchor. Latitude DD.DDDD' -37.898785 Update with my current location Longitude DD.DDDD' Manual course location 144.977662 10/11

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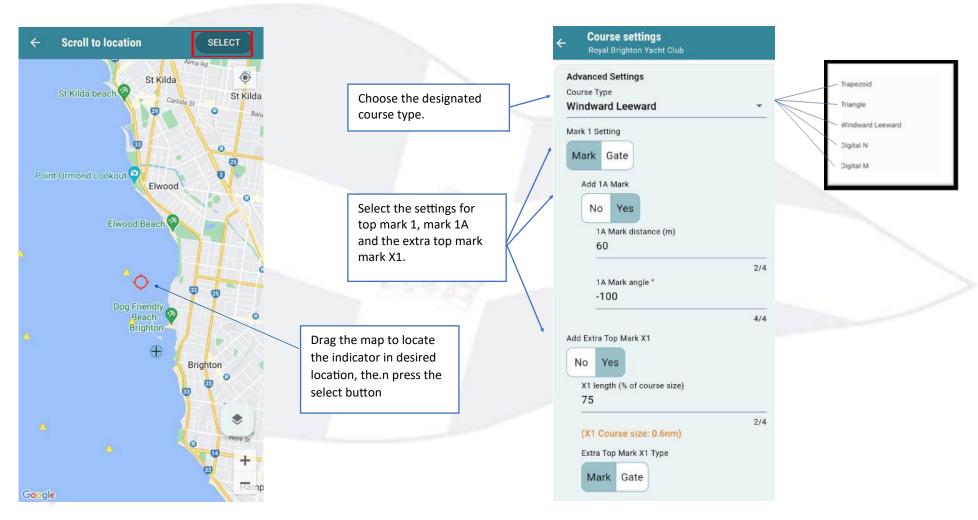
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Lat. & Long.

Select "Select on Map" or Enter

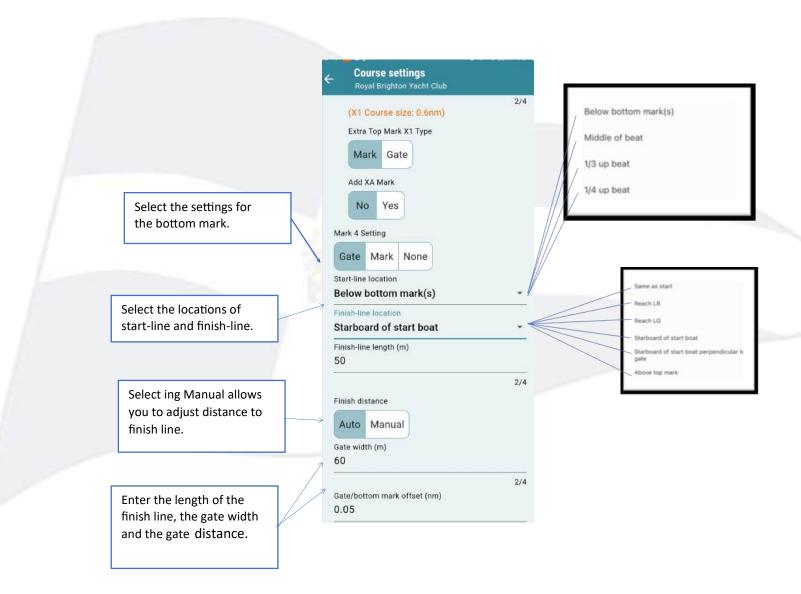


## How to set up a new racecourse – Advance Settings



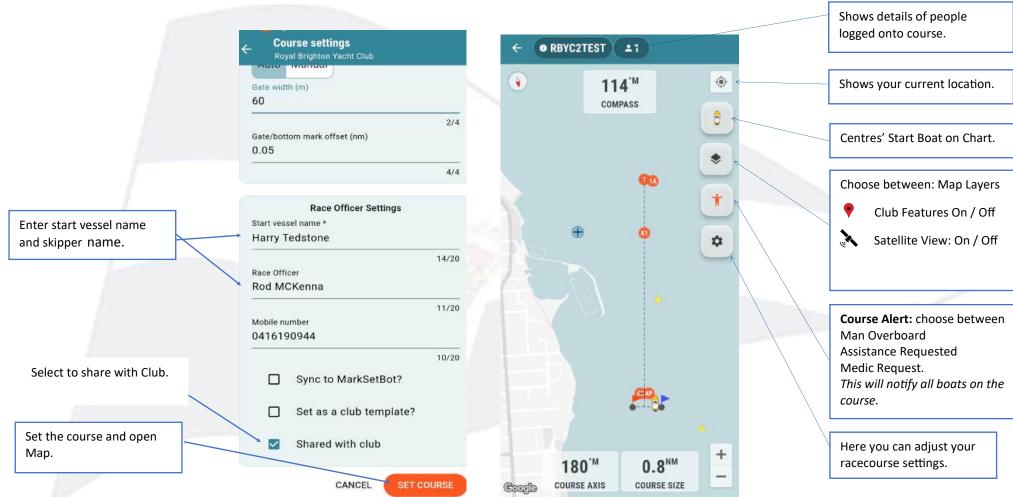


## How to set up a new racecourse - Advanced Settings Cont.





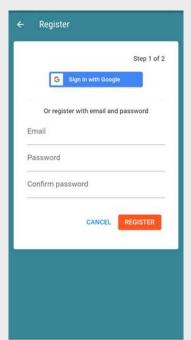
# How to set up a new racecourse - Boat / Course Setting

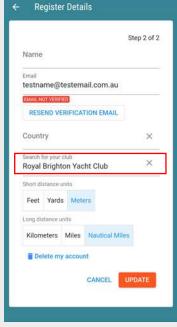




# How to get started with Buoy Zone – Mark Layer

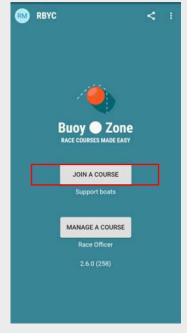
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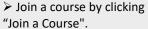


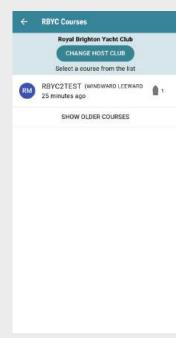


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#### Join a Course







- Select a Course. Select Plus Sign.
- > This screen also allows you to change host club.
- > If course not shown Select "Show Older Courses"

Join course

**Harry Tedstone** 

add a new one.

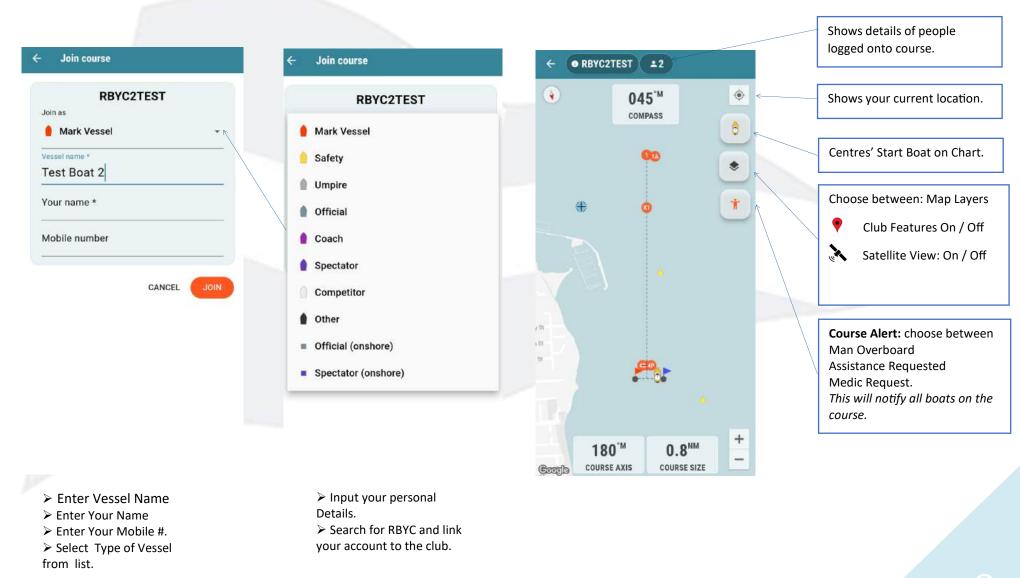
Join a vessel or location already on the course, or

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- ➤ Select existing vessel.
- > Select "Add New" Vessel.

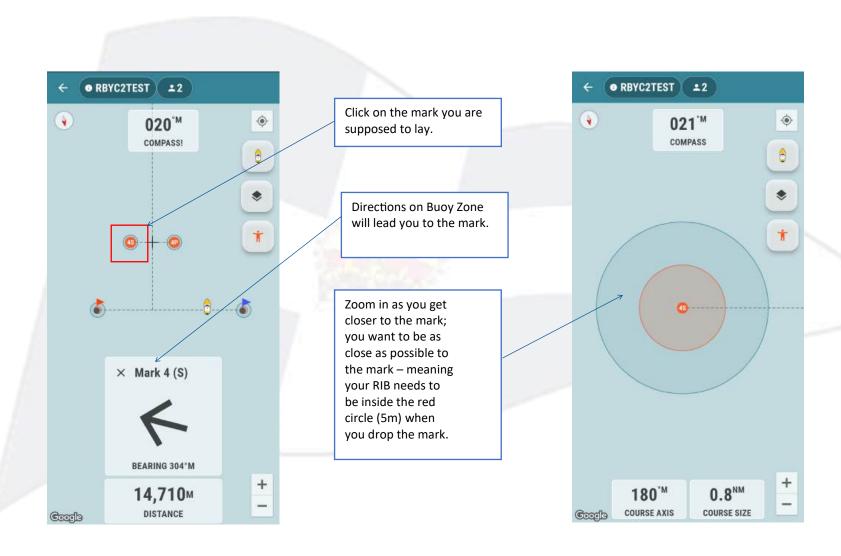


## How to get started with Buoy Zone – Mark Layer Cont.





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## How to Create a Course Template – Club Admin

Buoy Zone makes it even easier to improve the experience for sailors and race officers by making it possible for clubs to save the course formats and locations they like to use through the Club Templates feature. This feature is currently available for a limited time to all, but will be limited to all clubs who have a Buoy Zone Club Subscription.

Using the Club Template feature:

#### **Creating new template:**

To create Club Templates, follow these simple steps.

From the landing screen select "Manage a Course"

Either select an existing course or create a new one. Remember, make sure your course, whether existing or new, is associated with the host club you intend to create the template for.

Set your course settings as you would like to see them saved as a Template.

**Tip:** if you would like your Template course to be saved in a specific location rather than the dynamically updated GPS location of the RO then change the "start boat location" setting to "Manual course Location." If you're reusing an existing course the coordinates will be where you last set the course. If you have created a new course the coordinates will default to your current location, but you can change them.

Select the Advanced Courses settings and scroll to the bottom, check the "Set as a club template" field.

Enter a name for the new Template - this is how the template will be displayed.

Tap "Set Course" to save and view the template.



## How to Create a Course Template – Club Admin cont.

#### **Using a Club Template:**

The Club Templates are available to all Race Officers who select a host club which has saved template(s). Remember when you select from a template course you receive a copy of that template course which you can adjust and edit to make your own, with no worry that you will change the saved "Club Template".

From the landing screen select "Manage a Course"
From the next screen select the + button (Bottom right) to create a new course
Choose the Host Country and Club you are creating a course for
Select a template course from the "Club course template" drop down.

The "Course settings" screen allows you to fully adjust the course settings, the template settings are pre-loaded including the course location if the "Start boat location" has been set to "Manual course location". Tap "Set Course" to view the course.

## **COURSE ALERTS AND MORE!**

#### **Course Alerts**

A feature which we think offers a real innovation for on-water sports and race management.

This will be especially helpful in the case of general assistance requests, man-over boards, or urgent medic requests. If activated, a notification is sent to all Buoy Zone users who have joined or managed the course in the last 12 hours and alerts them to an assistant request with a location and 'navigate to' function.

"This is an area of innovation we haven't seen before for on-water sports, where traditionally communications are completely reliant on VHF/Radio,"

We don't see Buoy Zone replacing VHF, but we do believe it will expand the range of tools typically used by race officials and be a valuable way to share more specific details and identify those best placed to respond.

#### **Using the Assistance request**

On the map view select the symbol on the right which looks like a person with their arms out On the pop-up screen select the alert type you're looking for (Man overboard, Assistance Request or Medic Request) Tap the "Activate" button.

This will send a notification to anyone who is or has been active on the course.

To deactivate the Course Alert the individual user or the Race Officer has the option to deactivate the alert from the alert banner on the map screen.



## COURSE ALERTS AND MORE! cont.

#### Join As

This applies to those who are joining a course requiring them to select the role under which they are joining the course. These roles include Mark Vessel, Safety, Umpire, Official, Coach, Spectator, Competitor and Other. The roles all have a unique colour and are reflected throughout, including on the map view and list view.

As time goes by we see more and more users joining a course for different reasons, some playing and active role and managing a course and others just to observe. The goal through this addition is to allow anyone at a glance to see the role of each boat on the course by colour and descriptor.

## **Refreshed Map Buttons**

The map buttons have been refreshed to include collapsed menu options within. The icons from the top are:



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Centre over start boat

Map Layers toggle

Satellite image - toggle between satellite view and standard map views
Club features toggle on/off

Course Alert



## CLUB FEATURES - MAP LAYER - Club Admin.

### Club Features - Race Management-Oriented Charts

Clubs with an active Club Subscription can add key details to their map for all those who join to be able to see. These features include standard chart-based symbols such as Marker buoys, Beacons, Lighthouses, rocks etc as well as marks and way-points specific to club activities. The focus is not on replacing navigational charts, rather allowing details relevant to course setting activities to be visible and available to those who need it.

#### **Using Club Features**

To begin adding Club Features click through to "Manage a Course" from the main landing screen.

On the next screen (My Courses), at the top right select "Club Features" then tap the big Orange + Button to begin creating a feature.

When selecting the location of a feature it is possible to manually add a coordinate or view the map and scroll to the right location by tapping "Select on Map".

Note you may find it useful to toggle on the satellite view layer.

There are options to deactivate features individually if not required, for example clubs may have specific regatta-based waypoints which are not always required.

## Select Manual Locations On The Map

Wherever you are able select the location of an item EG Manual course location, Club Feature you have the option to click "select on map" and then select the location you're looking for on the map.

This in addition to the ability to add in both specific coordinates where these are known.

Note all Club Features are selectable - so for example if you have a mooring or regular course location saved as a Club Feature you can select this as the location of the start boat for the course.

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