## **Club History**

RSYS was founded in 1862 in Kirribilli, Australia, and is one of Australia's premier yacht clubs. The squadron has the honor of being the first club in the Southern Hemisphere to be designated a 'squadron' and the first to be granted a Royal Warrant. The Squadron was the first Australian club to challenge for the America's Cup. RSYS has successfully hosted world championships for classes such as the Farr 40s.

## **Rolex Invitational Cup History**

RSYS is headed into its third year competing in the Invitational Cup. The Squadron had a very successful debut in 2017 placing second. In 2019, RSYS took home the first place trophy. After taking the 2021 IC off, RSYS is back with essentially the same team from 2017 and 2019. RSYS team originally came together for the 2017 Rolex NYYC Invitational Cup through members suggesting that the regatta would be a great challenge well-suited for the RSYS.

## Crew

Helmsman Guido Belgiorno-Nettis returns with the intent on taking home the trophy once again. Belgiorno-Nettis comes from Sydney, Australia, and in 35 years of racing, he has won the 2011 Rolex Farr 40 World Championship, scored second at the 2016 Rolex Farr 40 World Championship, and won the 2019 Invitational Cup. Belgiorno-Nettis has been President of the Australian Farr 40 Class. Doing the tactics in this year's cup is Michael Dunstan from Sydney, Australia. Dunstan sailed on both the 2017 and 2019 RSYS Invitational Cup teams, in 2017, he placed second as the trimmer, and in 2019 he placed first as the tactician. He also placed first in the Farr 40 Worlds. In preparation for this year's IC, the team will undertake training in Newport during the lead up to the regatta.

## **RSYS CREW**

Helmsperson - Guido Belgiorno-Nettis (Sydney, AUS)

**Tactician - Michael Dunstan (Sydney, AUS)** 

**Kyra Early (Sydney, AUS)** 

Simon Cunnington (Melbourne, AUS)

**Chris Cook (Sydney, AUS)** 

**David Edwards (Sydney, AUS)** 

**Greg O'Shea (Sydney, AUS)** 

**Nick Cleary (New York, NY)** 

Michelle Belgiorno-Nettis (Sydney, AUS)

**Rupert Henry (Sydney, AUS)** 



