



## *Royal Geelong Yacht Club Inc.*

*Season 2019-2020*

*Bravo Course (OTB)*

### *Notice of Race*

The Royal Geelong Yacht Club Inc. (RGYC) as the Organizing Authority invites owners of eligible boats to apply for entry to the RGYC races to be held on the waters of Corio Bay from 1st October 2019 to 30th September 2020.

#### **1. RULES**

- 1.1 Races will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS), Part 2.
- 1.2 The Sailing Instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions and Bravo Course Supplementary Sailing Instructions posted on the RGYC website prior to the first race. Click [HERE](#) for season 2019-20 race documents.

#### **2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

2.1 Racing is open to the following divisions

- i) International Cadet Class
- ii) International Optimist Class
- iii) International Laser Class
- iv) OTB Mixed Fleet

2.2 Racing may be provided in the above divisions subject to at least five entries being accepted in that division. Should there be insufficient entries to form a particular division, boats entering those divisions may be allocated to another division at the discretion of the Race Committee, who also may add or delete divisions.

2.3 For boats entered in the season aggregates, the following conditions shall apply:

- a) All competitors must be financial members of the RGYC and hold Australian Sailing membership. Competitors who are not current members of RGYC must comply with Australian Sailing Sail Pass guidelines. Additional sail pass information and registration page is available [HERE](#).
- b) International Cadet competitors shall have passed an approved swim and capsizing-recovery test. The boat shall have passed a buoyancy test as required in the class rules.



- c) International Optimist competitors shall have passed an approved swim and capsize-recovery test.
- d) Boats shall be on the RGYC Vessel Register.
- e) The following documentation for boats on the RGYC Club register shall be completed and audited by an accredited auditor and either uploaded to the entry page or lodged at the RGYC Office prior to competing:
  - i) Off the Beach boat audit form. Click [HERE](#) for view/download form.
  - ii) Proof of Insurance.
  - iii) Written parental consent for Cadet members.

**2.4** Boats failing to provide the Club with a new insurance policy/certificate of currency of insurance in accordance with instruction 2.3 e) will be scored DNC without a hearing for races after the expiration of the previous insurance policy until a current document is supplied.  
This changes RRS 63.1, A4 & A5.

**2.5** Boats part-owned or owned by members under Disciplinary Suspension shall not enter.

**2.6** Eligible boats may enter from Saturday 14th September 2019, by completing the entry form including the required fee, via this link ( [ENTER HERE](#) ) no later than 1700hrs two days prior to competing in a race or series.

**2.7** Late series entrants will be accepted under the following conditions:

- a) Up to 2 hrs prior to the first Warning Signal of the day.
- b) Late series entrants will not be eligible for trophies in any special events or the race day's series points on the day of entry.

### 3. VISITING BOATS

- a) Visiting and or casual entries forms must be lodged to the RGYC Reception prior to 12:00 hrs on the day of racing.
- b) Visiting and or casual entrants are required to pay a daily race fee of \$20 per boat.
- c) Visiting sailors should also comply with AS Sail Pass guidelines. Additional sail pass information and registration page is available [HERE](#).
- d) Visiting and or casual entries will be ineligible for any special trophies or series points but may be eligible for any "prize-of-the-day" at the discretion of the Organising Authority.
- e) The following documentation for visiting and or casual boats shall be lodged at the RGYC Office prior to competing: -
  - Off the beach casual entry form (which includes parental permission if applicable)
  - Current Insurance certificate with racing risk insurance.
- f) The casual entry form is available [HERE](#) or from the RGYC office.

### 4. SCHEDULE

**4.1** Racing is scheduled as per the calendar on the RGYC web site. Click [HERE](#) to view the calendar.

**4.2** Races not completed on the scheduled date may be sailed at a later date.

### 5. MEASUREMENT

Boat-owners may be required to produce a valid measurement certificate.



## 6. SCORING

- a) Eight (8) Races are required to be completed to constitute a series unless otherwise stated in the sailing instructions.
- b) When fewer than twelve (12) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- c) When twelve (12) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst 20% of scores rounded down which will be discarded.
- d) Australian Sailing Members rostered for rescue boat / buoy laying duties, shall be awarded an "On Duty Score" (DUT) and their score is calculated as the average of their "5" best scores for the *entire* Series. This change is an addition to RRS Appendix A

## 7. THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be described in the Supplementary Sailing Instructions.

## 8. PENALTIES AND EXONERATION

RRS 64.1 is changed to:

When the protest committee decides that a boat that is a *party* to a protest hearing has broken a *rule* and is not exonerated, it shall disqualify her or impose any lesser penalty. A penalty shall be imposed whether or not the applicable *rule* was mentioned in the *protest*. If a boat has broken a *rule* when not *racing*, her penalty shall apply to the race sailed nearest in time to that of the incident.

However,

- (a) when as a consequence of breaking a *rule* a boat has compelled another boat to break a *rule*, the other boat shall be exonerated.
- (b) if a boat has taken an applicable penalty, she shall not be further penalized under this rule unless the penalty for a *rule* she broke is a disqualification that is not excludable from her series score.
- (c) if the race is restarted or resailed, RRS 36 applies.

## 9. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## 10. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5,000,000, including racing endorsement, per incident or the equivalent.

## 11. FURTHER INQUIRES

Contact RGYC Sailing Manager, Peter Kirman: Email: [peterk@rgyc.com.au](mailto:peterk@rgyc.com.au) Ph: 03 5229 3705 or visit the Club's website [www.rgyc.com.au](http://www.rgyc.com.au)

