



Royal Geelong Yacht Club

Pre Season Information Session
Season 2021-2022



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- Ensure your screen name is correct
- Advise Peter Kirman by SMS (0439 275 294) or email (peterk@rgyc.com.au) with;
 - Name
 - Boat name & sail number
- **MUTE unless you are asking a question**



Club Sailing Sponsors





Welcome

- Key sailing and racing personnel
 - Stuart Dickson, Commodore
 - Roger Bennett, Vice Commodore
 - Phil Francis, Club Captain
 - Peter Kirman, Sailing Manager



Session Overview

- Welcome & Session Overview
- Season 2020/21 In Review
- Changes at the Club
- Season 2021/22
 - Key Features
 - Major Events
 - Operational Matters
- Question and discussion time



Session Aims

- Give all skippers an understanding of what's coming up this season
- Important documents on the website;
 - Notice of Race (NOR)
 - Sailing Instructions
 - RGYC Sailing Calendar
 - COVID 19 Restrictions Updates
- Be familiar with them and have a copy or access to them on your boat



Key Documents – where to find them

Home - Royal Geelong Yacht Club x +

rgyc.com.au

Apps news Addy BOM Williweather Sail World 3MW 3AW TV Admin RGYC FOS 2020 MY Self AIS MarineTraffic Australian Sailing TY OTB Admin

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Fostering the Spirit of Sailing Since 1859

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SEARCH MEMBER LOG IN

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SAILING CALENDAR

- SAILING DOCUMENTS SEASON 2019/20
- SERIES ENTRY & SERIES FEES
- CREW DECLARATIONS
- CREW MATCH
- REGATTAS
- OFF THE BEACH
- TWILIGHT SAILING
- SAILABILITY
- CRUISING GROUP
- SHIP TRACKER
- NOTICE TO MARINERS
- SAILING VIDEOS

<https://www.rgyc.com.au/on-water/rgyc-current-sailing-season-calendar/>

11:13 AM 25/09/2019

Victorian Regional Channels Authority





Season 2020/21 In Review

- Regattas held:
 - Cadet Sprint Championship
 - Waszp, I14s and 29er States
 - Festival of Sails – Passage Race
- Race management training continued
- COVID 19 heavily impacted Club racing
 - Hopefully better this year



Season 2020/21 In Review

- Saturday Racing:

	Alpha	Charlie	Bravo
Race days	13	8	10
Ave Fleet	18.3	7.8	22.6
Max Fleet	27	10	34

- Other Keelboat racing:

	Twilight	Two Hand	Tuff	Womens	Mini
Race Days	14	5	4	2	3
Ave Fleet	27.7	7.5	4.5	5.5	19.7
Max Fleet	44	8	6	6	25



Club Assets

- Wangim Walk opened
- Race Management training program continuing – new SROs
- Preparations for demolition of OTB building
 - Sailing container under old mast crane
 - Movement of equipment to off-site storage



Season 2021/2022

- Alpha Course (scheduled)
 - 7 Club course races – combined divisions
 - 6 Club course races – Corio Cruisers only
 - 6 WL races – Racing Division only
 - 6 outer harbour races – combined divisions
- Charlie Course (scheduled)
 - 19 race days, target 2 races per day
- Two-Handed Series (scheduled)
 - 6 races
- Tuff Series (scheduled)
 - 6 races



Season 2021/2022

- Women's Series (scheduled)
 - 3 races
- Twilights (scheduled)
 - 20 races
- Summer Mini Series
 - 2 x W/L races
 - 2 x Club course races
- Winter Series
 - 7 races



Season 2021/2022

- Events Planned
 - Festival of Sails
 - Passage race Saturday 22nd
 - 3 other race days
 - Melges 24 Nats & Two-Handed Nationals
 - Wooden Boat Festival
 - March Long Weekend
 - Etchell States
 - March Long Weekend



Season 2021/2022


No change to race entry fees:

Course	Fee	POS Wallet Rebate *	Comment
Alpha	\$350	\$100	One fee for all racing – Saturday, Twilight, Tuff, Two Handed, Summer & Winter Series, Women's Helm
Charlie	\$350	\$100	All Club racing
Bravo Snr	\$250	\$100	All Club racing
Bravo Jnr	\$100	Nil	All Club racing

*** The rebate is payable to the skipper's Club POS Wallet account and can be used in the Member's Bar and the Yot Café throughout the season**



New this Season

- Rule RRS A5.3 – change to scoring for boats not finishing a race
- Flag V  – Search & Rescue obligation
- 2 divisions on Alpha Course
 - Racing Division: IRC, AMS, ORCc, PHS
 - Corio Cruisers: PHS
- Crew number restrictions may be in place due to COVID guidelines



Season 2021/2022

Key Dates Scheduled:

- Wednesday 6th October: first Twilight
- Saturday 16th October: first Aggregate racing
- Sunday 19th December: Season Open day
- Wednesday 30th March: last Twilight
- Saturday 2nd April: last Aggregate racing
- Saturday 9th April: McAllister Perpetual Cup



Sail Numbers

- Finish times will only be recorded and allocated to the sail number displayed on the mainsail of a boat when it crosses the finishing line
- If sail number is not registered as an entrant the boat may be scored DNC for that race.
- All sails should have matching sail numbers
- New boats will be exempted for no more than three races
- Existing boats on the Club Register will have no exemption



Lifejackets

Personal Floatation Devices:



When flag Y is displayed with one sound before or with the warning signal, competitors shall wear lifejackets.

Wet suits and dry suits are not adequate personal buoyancy.
Refer RRS 40

Signal Flag "Y"

Cat 5,6 & 7 – Level 50N
Cat 5N – Level 100N



Sign On & Sign Off

- To enter the Club premises, all members must use the QR Code app to register their attendance on site. Information regarding this app is available on the Club website.
- Procedures for each series will be included in the Sailing Instructions
- Radio sign on and Memberpoint app crew declarations
- Penalties can apply, including DSQ for incorrect sign on



Crew Registration

- Every sailor who races must be a member
- Sail Pass gives visitors honorary club membership for lifetime maximum of 12 races
- Crew registration information will be dependant on the COVID 19 regulations applicable at the time



Safety

Boat Safety Procedures:

- Owners have a responsibility to make sure regular crew and visitors are aware of safety procedures and safety equipment on board

Man Overboard (MOB) Protocols

- RGYC Man Overboard Compliance Declaration must be completed and submitted prior to 31/12/21



Safety

Safety Audits:

- For this season, Safety Audits are by Owners Declaration lodged through the Yacht Safe website
- Random audit checks may occur during the season
- These must be completed prior to 1/11/21
- Once declaration has been completed, you will be able to collect a Safety Category Sticker from the Club reception desk.
- Safety Category Stickers are compulsory on the transom of each racing keelboat.

Race committee may refuse entry or may protest any boat not obeying RGYC or MSV safety regulations



Radio Protocols

- Radio Sign In will be to “RG Base” giving Boat name, Sail Number and POB
- VHF Channels will be in the Sailing Instructions
- All keelboats will be required to radio in to RG Base upon return to the Marina for Saturday aggregate and Wednesday Twilight races
- Racing boats must monitor racing frequency during the race
- Recommend listening watch on Race Channel and safety/calling channel VHF 16
- Recommended that cockpit speaker be fitted to all yachts



Handicaps

The Handicap Committee shall be notified in writing (email or letter) by 5:00pm of business day before race of any changes. These include;

- Change of Helmsperson, particularly of someone outside of regular crew
- New sails
- Changes to rig, ballast, LOA, rudder, keel etc

Failure to advise the Handicap Committee of any changes may result in a 5% loading on the elapsed time for that boat for the effected race



Insurance

- All competing boats must have Public Liability coverage of AUD \$10m
- All policies must note that the boat is engaged in Club racing
- A certificate of currency is required by the Club for boats stored at the Club and any boat that races



Member Obligations

- Skipper and Crew behaviour, conduct and language
- COVID 19 restrictions compliance
- Read and understand Sailing Instructions
- Courtesy to Volunteers and Race Committee
- Dress Code



COVID 19



Victoria Road map

Regional Victoria

80% OF 16+ WITH SINGLE DOSE

- NO restrictions to leave home
- NO restrictions on travel (within regional Vic)
- Travel between Metro and regional Vic not permitted (unless authorised)
- Face Masks must be worn Indoors and Outdoors

Club Houses access - Not permitted. This includes toilets and change rooms

Training courses- Limited to the number required to participate (one parent may stay to supervise)
Training should only be open to members of your club (no come and try programs)
Must only use outdoor facilities (no indoor training allowed)

Club Racing- Not permitted

Coaching:

Must be for exercise purposes.
max two people (plus the coach),
or
max of 5 people if everyone attending who is 18 years or older (and the trainer) has received both of their COVID-19 vaccinations

-**Equipment** to be cleaned between uses

Recreational Sailing can occur.

70% OF 16+ FULLY VACCINATED

- No restrictions to leave home
- No restrictions on travel (within regional Vic)
- Travel between Metro and regional Vic for a specified purpose
- Face Masks must be worn Indoors and Outdoors

Club Houses access - Fully Vaccinated Indoor Density Quota 4m2 30 cap

Fully Vaccinated outdoor Density Quota 2m2 100 cap
*Caps do not apply if 50 metres distance can be maintained between groups outdoors

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80% OF 16+ FULLY VACCINATED

- No restrictions to leave home
- No travel restriction in place
- Face Masks must be worn Indoors

Club Houses access

Fully Vaccinated Indoor Density Quota 4m2 150 cap
Fully Vaccinated outdoor Density Quota 2m2 500 cap

Training courses- Limited to the number required to participate

Club Racing- Permitted

Coaching: Permitted



COVID 19

- Currently expected 80% Fully Vaccinated early November 2021
- All Members are required to comply fully to any COVID 19 restrictions as they apply at specific times
- Non compliance penalties may apply
- Any changes to restrictions will be broadcast to Members and published on the Club website

Sail safe and
have FUN