



*Royal Geelong Yacht Club Inc.
25 Eastern Beach Rd, Geelong, Vic, 3220*

*2023 International Flying Dutchman National Championship
2023 International Fireball Victorian Championship
2023 International Musto Skiff Australian Championship
Friday 3rd to Sunday 5th February 2023*

Notice of Race (NOR)

The Royal Geelong Yacht Club Inc. (RGYC) as the Organizing Authority (OA) invites owners of eligible boats to apply for entry to the Championship Regatta to be held on Corio Bay.

'[DP]' – A rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the jury or protest committee.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the Australian Sailing (AS) Special Regulations Part 2 for Off The Beach Boats.
- 1.2 Appendix T will apply.
- 1.3 [NP] Boats racing with a sail number other than that registered in the Topyacht Entry System may be scored DNC without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, A4, A5 and G4.
- 1.4 When the wind speed is clearly over 12 knots across the course, the Race Committee may signal that pumping, rocking and ooching are permitted after the starting signal. This changes RRS 42.2(a), 42.2 (b) and 42.2(c). *This refers only to the Int. Fireball class.*

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The Sailing Instructions (SI's) will be available online prior to the event.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The Official Notice Board (ONB) is located adjacent to the Club slipway.
- 3.2. [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The Event is open to all boats of Int. Fireball, Int. Flying Dutchman, and Int. Musto Skiff classes whose crew are financial members of their class association.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter online on the RGYC website <https://rgyc.com.au/on-water/regattas/> or by using the following link [HERE](#) .

4.3 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

5. FEES

5.1. Entry Fee per boat is:

International Fireball	\$120 Early-Bird entry by 24.00 Sunday 21 st January 2023 \$150 Fee for entry between Sunday 22 nd January 2023 and 17.00 Thursday 2 nd February 2023
International Flying Dutchman	\$160 Early-Bird entry by 24.00 Sunday 21 st January 2023 \$190 Fee for entry between Sunday 22 nd January 2023 and 17.00 Thursday 2 nd February 2023
International Musto Skiff	\$120 Early-Bird entry by 24.00 Sunday 21 st January 2023 \$150 Fee for entry between Sunday 22 nd January 2023 and 17.00 Thursday 2 nd February 2023

6. CREW LIMITATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

6.1. All competitors shall hold AS membership and be financial members of a club recognised by AS or of a World Sailing member national authority. Proof of membership may be requested prior to and during the Championship.

6.2. Competitors less than 18 years of age during the Championship shall submit signed Parent/Guardian Declarations which will be available from the Club at the reception desk and the Club website.

7. ADVERTISING AND SPONSORS

7.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

8. SCHEDULE

8.1 The Event schedule will be as follows;

Date	Activity	Location	Time
Friday 3 rd February 2023	Registration	RGYC Clubhouse	08:00 – 11:00
Friday 3 rd February 2023	Competitor Information Session	RGYC Clubhouse lawn	11:30
Friday 3 rd February 2023	Championship Racing Session 1	Corio Bay	First warning 13.55
Saturday 4 th February 2023	Competitor Information Session	RGYC Clubhouse lawn	11.30
Saturday 4 th February 2023	Championship Racing Session 2	Corio Bay	First warning 12.55
Sunday 5 th February 2023	Competitor Information Session	RGYC Clubhouse lawn	9.30
Sunday 5 th February 2023	Championship Racing Session 3	Corio Bay	First warning 10.55
Sunday 5 th February 2023	Prize giving	RGYC Clubhouse lawn	Post racing

8.2 Number of races per day:

Class	Friday 3 rd February	Saturday 4 th February	Sunday 5 th February
Fireball	3	3	2
Flying Dutchman	2	3	2
Musto Skiff	Nil	3	2

8.3 Extra races may be sailed on any day provided that racing does not become more than one race ahead of schedule.

8.4 On the final scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 16:00 hrs.

9. EQUIPMENT INSPECTIONS

9.1. Each boat shall produce, at registration, a valid measurement certificate.

9.2. Boats may be inspected at any time during the event.

10. THE VENUE & COURSE AREA

10.1. The location of RGYC and the Corio Bay race area is shown in Attachment A.

11. COURSES

11.1. All racing courses will be described in full in the SI's.

12. SCORING

12.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

12.2 (a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When five or more races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

13. SUPPORT BOATS

13.1. Support boats are allowed and shall be registered with the OA and have a working VHF radio for communications with the Race Committee.

13.2. [DP] Support boats shall act as rescue boats if required to do so.

14. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

15. INSURANCE

15.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000, including racing endorsement, per incident or the equivalent.

15.2. Proof of insurance may be requested by the OA.

16. PRIZES

16.1. Prizes will specified in the SI's

17. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

17.1. In participating, a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authorities, the Coordinating Authorities and the sponsors, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other

reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition in which the competitor participates and in all material related to the said Event without compensation.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

Contact RGYC Sailing Manager, Drew Malcolm: Email: drewm@rgyc.com.au Ph: 03 5229 3705
or visit the Club's website www.rgyc.com.au

Attachment A – Championship Venue and race area locations

