



**Royal Geelong Yacht Club Inc.**

**Alpha Course  
Gannet Cup  
Sailing Instructions**

**To be read in conjunction with Alpha Course Season 2023-2024  
Sailing Instructions.**

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 25<sup>th</sup>  
November 2023**

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

## 1 Rules

- 1.2 The International Regulations for the Prevention of Collision at Sea will replace Part 2 of the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing between the official times of sunset and sunrise.
- 1.3 Where there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

## 2 Eligibility

- 2.1 Boats shall have a declaration of compliance with AS Safety Requirements **Category 5N** plus the following additional equipment:
  - Jackstays – Item 4.03.1
  - Flashlights – Item 4.06.2
  - Spare Compass – Item 3.21.2
  - Hand held GPS or better
  - Safety Harnesses and Safety Lines (Tethers) – Item 5.02
- 2.2 Boats wishing to race shall notify the RGYC Sailing Office prior to 17:00 hrs Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2023. Notification shall be made by email to [sailing@rgyc.com.au](mailto:sailing@rgyc.com.au).

## 3 Safety

- 3.2 Crew Declarations shall be submitted in accordance with the Season 2023 – 2024 Alpha Course SI.


## 4. The Start

- 4.1 The 2023 - 2024 Gannet Cup Race incorporates race 3 of the 2023 - 2024 Tuff Marine Series. The first leg of the Gannet Cup race will be the course identified in the Alpha Course SI's Appendix B.

**Each boat will sail through the finish line of the Tuff Marine race and leave the Speed Restriction Special Mark to the West of the Signal Box to Starboard before progressing to the next mark of the Gannet Cup race being CB3 and continue recording mark rounding times in the race log.**

- 4.2 The starting line for the Tuff Marine Series and Gannet Cup is between a staff displaying an orange flag at the Signal Box and the course side of the yellow West Cardinal mark located to the North-West of the Marina.

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- 4.3** Warning Signal using Class flag "J"  for the Tuff Marine Series is at 18:55 hrs 24<sup>th</sup> November 2023. This shall also be the start of the Gannet Cup.

## 5. Finish

- 5.1** The finishing line is between the staff displaying a blue flag at the Signal Box and the Speed Restriction Special Mark to the West of the Signal Box.
- 5.2** Boats shall submit a fully completed Log using the form attached as per Section 7 below.
- 5.3**

## 6. The Course

- 6.1** The table included as the Log (below) contains the order in which marks are to be rounded and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 6.2** Competitors are reminded to avoid all marine farms and exclusion zones and should make themselves familiar with the location of all such hazards prior to racing.

## 7. Logs

- 7.1** Boats shall record their own finishing time using GPS time and record this time on the Log.
- 7.2** Boats shall submit their Log on the form attached below.
- 7.3** Boats shall submit their log at the RGYC Office or by email to [sailing@rgyc.com.au](mailto:sailing@rgyc.com.au) no later than the close of protest time.
- 7.4** The minimum log entry requirement shall be an entry at each mark of the course.
- 7.5** **Boats failing to submit a satisfactory log will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, A5.1 & A5.2**

## 8. Handicaps

- 8.1** The handicaps for this race may differ to those for the Saturday Aggregate.

## 9. Time Limit

- 9.1** The time limit for boats to sail the course and finish is 09:00 hrs Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2023.

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- 9.2** If no boat has sailed the course and finished within the time limit the race shall be abandoned.
- 9.3** Any boat still racing when the time limit expires will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35, A5.1 & A5.2

### **10. Protests And Requests for Redress**

- 10.1** The protest time limit is 12:00 hrs Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2023.

### **11. Radio Communication**

- 11.1** Boats are requested to monitor VHF channels 16 and Channel 71 during the race.
- 11.2** [DP] Boats retiring from the race are requested to notify the Race Officer on their mobile as soon as possible after retiring and state their intentions.

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**ROYAL GEELONG YACHT CLUB Inc.**

## LOG for PORT PHILLIP NIGHT RACE (GANNET CUP)

**24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

SAIL No: ..... YACHT NAME: .....

SKIPPER: ..... NAVIGATOR: .....

CREW: .....

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	<u>Position</u>	<u>Log Reading</u>	<u>Rounding Hand</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Remarks:</u> (incl other boats in vicinity)
<b>Start</b>	Refer to the finish of the Tuff Marine race				
CB3	38°07.60S 144°23.55E		Port		
CB1	38°05.55S 144°24.21E		Starboard		
Hopetoun 9	38°07.32S 144°24.11E		Port		
Hopetoun 1 & 2	38°07.06S 144°26.76E		Gate		
Wilson Spit Beacon	38°08.13S 144°30.12E		Port		
Richards Channel North Cardinal	38°07.91S 144°32.08E		Port		
Richards Entrance Mark	38°04.95S 144°39.94E		Port		
M1	38°03.491S 144°52.215E		Port		
Spoil Ground	37°59.025S 144°53.040E		Port		
Pt Richards 2	38°05.14S 144°38.57E		Starboard		
Yellow Special Mark	38°04.87S 144°33.31E		Port		

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Explosives Pier Outer Beacon	38°05.77S 144°33.15E		Starboard		
Wilson Spit Beacon	38°08.13S 144°30.12E		Starboard		
Alcoa Outer Lead	38°06.833S 144°27.721E		Port		
Hopetoun 1 & 2	38°07.06S 144°26.76E		Gate		
Hopetoun 9	38°07.32S 144°24.11E		Starboard		
CB5	38°06.21S 144°22.94E		Port		
CB4	38°07.72S 144°22.16E		Port		
Yellow West Cardinal Mark	38°08.30S 144°22.04E		Port		
<b>Finish</b>					

**The listed co-ordinates of the Marks are approximate.**

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Received Date: .....	Time: .....	Received By: .....