



NOTICE OF RACE

2018 Soho Lawyers International Contender Australian Championship

15 – 18 January 2018
McCrae Yacht Club
Victoria Australia

The Organising Authority is McCrae Yacht Club Inc and the regatta will be conducted at McCrae Yacht Club on the Mornington Peninsula, Victoria, Australia.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* and the *International Contender Championship Rules*.
- 1.2 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.3 The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be on the official notice board located on the upper deck.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Contender Class
- 2.2 Competitors must be members of their National Authority and Country Contender Association at the time of registration
- 2.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing an online entry at: <https://www.trybooking.com/PDBW>

3. ENTRY FEE

- 3.1 The entry fee is AUD\$100 per boat.
- 3.2 A late fee of AUD\$50 will apply to all entries received after 30 November 2017.
- 3.3 Entry fee includes Regatta entry and event merchandise.
- 3.4 Juniors aged under 21 at 21 January 2018 may apply to the Australian Contender Association for a 50% reduction on their entry fee.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1 All competitors shall complete entry, registration and measurement at McCrae Yacht Club as detailed in NOR 4.4.
- 4.2 Six races are scheduled.
- 4.3 No more than three races will be sailed on any one day.

Monday 15 January	Registration & Measurement	1600 hrs -> 1800 hrs
	Welcome drinks & BYO BBQ at Club	1830 hrs
Tuesday 16 January	Registration & Measurement	0900 hrs -> 1100 hrs
	Information Session	1100 hrs
	Racing	1430 hrs
	Post race drinks and nibbles	After racing
Wednesday 17 January	Racing	1430hrs
	Post race drinks and nibbles	After racing
Thursday 18 January	Racing	1430hrs
	Presentation on lawn, finger food supplied	1700hrs

4.4 No warning signal will be made later than 1700hrs on Thursday 18 January 2018.

5. MEASUREMENT

- 5.1 All boats shall be presented for measurement as NOR 4. Schedule.
- 5.2 Measurement checks and inspections may be carried out at any time. A Boat notified of inspection shall follow the instructions of the Race Committee.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and may be posted on the Regatta web-site at a prior time.

7. VENUE

The Racing Area will be the waters of Port Phillip off McCrae Yacht Club.

8. THE COURSES

A Windward Leeward Triangular course will be sailed as detailed in the International Contender Championship Rules and Sailing Instructions.

9. SCORING SYSTEM

- 9.1 A minimum of four races are required to be completed to constitute the regatta.
- 9.2 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores.
- 9.3 When four to six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

10. SUPPORT BOATS/COACHES

Team Managers, Coaches and other support personnel shall keep 100m clear of the course area during racing, except when asked to assist by the Race Committee.

11. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data transmission that is not available to all boats.

12. PRIZES

Prizes in the Australian Championship will be awarded as follows:

1st, 2nd, 3rd, placed boats

Masters, Grand Masters, Junior and Peter Murphy Trophy

13. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

In participating in an Event, a competitor automatically grants the Organising Authority and the sponsors of the Event, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition for the said Event in which the competitor participates and in all material related to the said Event without compensation.

14. 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.

15. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD\$5,000,000 (recommended AUD\$10,000,000) per event or the equivalent. Competitors may be required to produce evidence of such insurance and any competitor not holding this cover shall withdraw their entry.

16. AMENDMENTS

Any amendments to this Notice of Race shall be posted on the www.contender.org.au and McCrae YC websites no later than 30 November 2017.

17. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact Jeff Owen via email: j3ffow3n@gmail.com.

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