2024 VICTORIAN CATAMARAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

23 & 24 November 2024 McCrae Yacht Club



NOTICE OF RACE

RULES

The Organising Authority for this event is the McCrae Yacht Club, Inc. – 690 Point Nepean Rd, McCrae. 3938.

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 Off the Beach Boats will apply.
- 1.3 Appendix T Arbitration will apply.

1. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available by 1800 hours on 22 November 2024.
- 1.2 The Sailing Instructions will be posted on the McCrae Yacht Club website (www.mccraeyc.com.au). Copies will also be posted on the official notice board and on the "2024 Victorian Catamaran Championships" regatta page within the "Sailor" App.

2. COMMUNICATION

- 2.1 The online official noticeboard will be the "2024 Victorian Cat Championships" regatta page of the "Sailor" App.
- 2.2 The physical noticeboard shall be the noticeboard on the McCYC upper deck adjacent to the Tower.

3. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all 'Off the Beach' catamaran classes with a current Australian Sailing Yardstick (whether classified as "primary" or otherwise).
- 4.2 Other 'Off the Beach' catamaran classes are invited to enter and participate, but will not be assigned a score, and will be ineligible for any prizes.
- 4.3 All boats shall be entered and skippered and, where applicable, crewed by members of a Yacht Club affiliated with Australian Sailing Inc. or its equivalent in another State of Territory
- 4.4 The Australian Sailing yardstick handicap system applies.
- 4.5 Eligible boats may enter via the Sailor App or https://www.clubops.com.au/event/GHJZK prior to 2359 hours on Thursday 21 November 2024.

4.6 Any class which has ten or more entrants may be allocated a separate division.

5. FEES

Entry fees are as follows:

Singled handed	\$85
Double handed	\$120
Junior single handed (Skipper U/18)	\$45
Junior double handed (Skipper & Crew U/18)	\$70

Fees include Skipper & Crew (where applicable), dinner on Saturday night and a \$10 food and beverage voucher to spend at the McCYC canteen or bar.

Additional tickets for Saturday night dinner (\$20 each), and Sunday morning breakfast (\$5 each) can be purchased at registration.

6. ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority. Details will be supplied at registration.

7. SCHEDULE

7.1 All competitors shall confirm registration at McCrae Yacht Club between 0900hrs and 1200hrs on 23 November 2024.

7.2	Saturday 23 November	Registration Information Session Heats Dinner	0900hrs-1200hrs 1200hrs 1330hrs 1830hrs
	Sunday 24 November	Bacon & Egg Breakfast Heats Presentation	0800hrs 1000hrs To follow

- 7.3 Maximum number of intended heats is six.
- 7.4 No warning signal will be made later than 1500hrs on Sunday 24 November.

8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

8.1 Each boat shall produce or verify the existence of a valid measurement certificate on request from the race committee.

8.2 Boats may be inspected at any time.

9. VENUE

The racing area will be the waters of Port Phillip in the vicinity of McCrae Yacht Club. Refer to Appendix "A".

10. THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be windward leeward and/or triangular courses as detailed in the Sailing Instructions. So far as is reasonably practicable, the allocated courses will match those sailed by each class at their National or State championships.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

12. SCORING

- 12.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.2 (a) When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When four or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

13. BERTHING

- 13.1 Ample storage space is available within the club for boats, and car parking in designated areas and the surrounding streets. Refer to Appendix B for a Visitor Map
- 13.2 Boats are left at the club and surrounding beach area at the owner's risk.
- 13.3 Trailers shall not be left within the dinghy park during the regatta. Trailer storage is available in Bartels Street (see Appendix B).
- 13.4 Boats may be dropped off at the club prior to the event on Friday 22 November from 1500 hrs to 2000 hrs.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATION

From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, 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.

15. 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.

16. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD \$5,000,000 per incident or the equivalent. Evidence of insurance cover may be requested by the Race Committee at registration.

17. PRIZES

- 17.1 Prizes will be awarded to the winner and placegetters in each division depending on the number of entries.
- 17.2 Additional prizes may be awarded at the Race Committee's discretion.

18. MEDIA RIGHTS

- 18.1 Competitors give full rights and permission in perpetuity to McCrae Yacht Club, and Australian Sailing for use and broadcasting of photographs or videos of persons or boats competing in the event including, but not limited to, spots on television, online and social media and for editorial purpose, promotion or printed information.
- 18.2 Competitors under 18 years of age may opt out when completing the disclaimer of liability at registration.

19. FURTHER INFORMATION

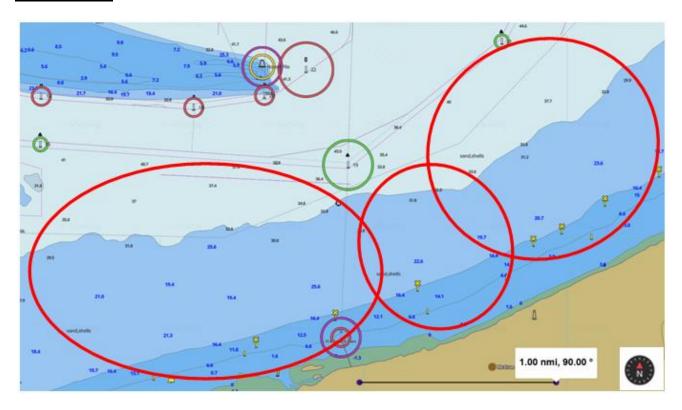
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APPENDIX A



APPENDIX B

