



ROYAL YACHT CLUB OF VICTORIA

2017 -2018 LIVINGSTON TROPHY

7 OCTOBER 2017 – 14 APRIL 2018

NOTICE

OF

RACE

The 2017 - 2018 Livingston Trophy will be conducted on the waters of Port Phillip from 7th October 2017 until 14th April 2018.

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) for the Livingston Trophy shall be the Royal Yacht Club of Victoria.

RULES

All races will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing as amended the prescriptions and safety regulations of AS, and the PoMC regulations and the AMS rules - all as modified by the Sailing Instructions. A permanently installed VHF radio shall be carried capable of operating on Channels 16, 12,13, 67 and 69.

ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

Entries shall be accepted from yachts on the register of the Royal Yacht Club of Victoria holding a current Safety Equipment Declaration of Compliance (Category 5) and a valid AMS certificate. Yachts participating in the eligible races shall be scored in the Livingston Trophy series.

SCHEDULE OF RACES

The series shall comprise the following races;

7 th October 2017	RYCV Commodores Trophy
4 th November 2017	RYCV Palliser Trophy
2 nd December 2017	RYCV Elwood Huon Trophy
26 January 2018	RGYC Melbourne to Geelong Race
17 th February 2018	HBYC Port Phillip Sea Pilots Race (short version)
14 th April 2018	HBYC Don Thompson Trophy

Note: To score an AMS result from the RGYC Melbourne to Geelong Race a boat will have to be entered in an AMS division for that regatta.

MEASUREMENT

Owners are reminded that they must race with the sail and weight configuration detailed on their AMS Certificate. AMS ratings will be those issued by the Rating Authority (Yachting Victoria) and current at 1200hrs on the day before the race.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available from the office of the Royal Yacht Club of Victoria and the clubs website, www.rycv.yachting.org.au and from the Hobsons Bay Yacht Club website www.hbyc.org.au

COURSES

Courses will be of longer distance incorporating fixed and laid marks in Port Phillip.

SCORING SYSTEM

The Series will be scored using the AMS rating system. Six races are scheduled.

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

The safety of the yacht and its crew is the sole responsibility of the owner/competitor racing the yacht. All those taking part in the series do so at their own risk and responsibility. The Organising Authority is not responsible for the seaworthiness of the yacht whose entry is accepted or for the sufficiency or the adequacy of its equipment.

Attention is drawn to RRS Rule 4. A boat is solely responsible for deciding whether or not to start or to continue racing.

INSURANCE

All entrants shall carry third party and public liability insurance of not less than AUD \$10 million for each race.