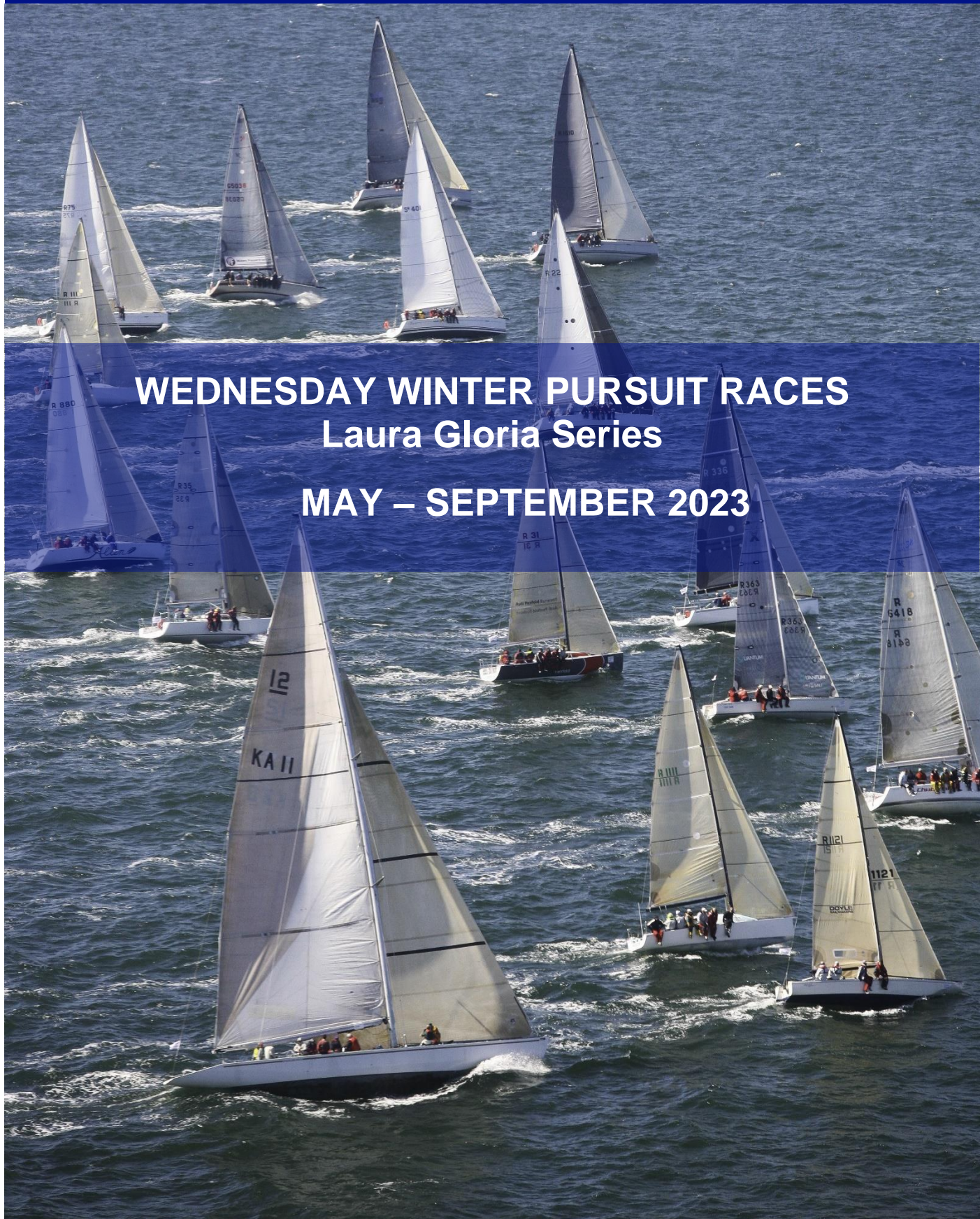




ROYAL YACHT CLUB OF VICTORIA

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

WEDNESDAY WINTER PURSUIT RACES
Laura Gloria Series
MAY – SEPTEMBER 2023





SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1. As per Notice of Race

2. CHANGE TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1230 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board in the western foyer of the club house. Notices may also be posted to the website.
- 3.2. The race office is located at the main RYCV office, telephone 9397 1277, email sailmanager@rycv.asn.au.
- 3.3. On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 69.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the Royal Yacht Club of Victoria flag mast located on the lawn.
- 4.2. When international code flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5. CLASSES

- 5.1. Pursuit Class designated by International Cod Flag "W"
- 5.2. On each day of racing the warning signal will be made at 1355hrs
Each boats start time will be published on the Race Notice board and on-line <http://rycv.com.au/sailing/keelboat/start-sheets/> The Royal Yacht Club of Victoria reserves the right to alter or adjust any start time found to be incorrectly calculated or printed (See NOR 1.6)

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1. As per Notice of Race

7. COURSES AND MARKS

- 7.1. Courses and marks are as described in the [RYCV Club Courses](#). This document includes the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which mark is to be left.
- 7.2. The course to be sailed shall be designated by the display of black lettered numeral boards from the start box prior to the warning signal.
- 7.3. After starting, but prior to sailing the course as described in the RYCV Club Courses, boats shall pass through the gate formed by No20 Channel Pile and the northern end of the Workshops Pier.
- 7.4. After sailing the course as described in the RYCV Club Courses, but prior to finishing, boats shall pass through the gate formed by No20 Channel Pile and the Workshops Pier.



8. THE START

- 8.1. The starting line will be between the flag staff displaying the club burgee next to the race box at the northern end of the RYCV marina, and mark "O".
- 8.2. The race committee will publish a start sheet listing group start times and allocating competitors to Start Groups.
- 8.3. Each race will be started in accordance with RRS Rule 26.
- 8.4. **[DP]** Competitors shall not start before their designated Group Start time.
 - 8.4.1. Group 1 starts with the lowering of the Class Flag. As Group 1 Starts a board displaying numeral 2 will be displayed adjacent to the start box.
 - 8.4.2. When Group 2 starts a sound signal will be made and the board displaying numeral 2 will be replaced with numeral 3.
 - 8.4.3. When Group 3 starts a sound signal will be made and a board displaying numeral 4 will be displayed.
 - 8.4.4. When Group 4 starts a sound signal will be made and a board displaying numeral 5 will be displayed.
 - 8.4.5. This shall continue until all subsequent groups have started.

9. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

- 9.1. The following areas are designated as obstructions: The waters of Webb Dock, the waters West of the Williamstown Channel contained between Gellibrand Pier and Breakwater Pier. the Williamstown Channel south of Number 17 Channel Beacon and the Port Melbourne Channel south of Number 15 Channel beacon. These waters are out of bounds, boats shall not race in the waters of these Channels.
- 9.2. Swing Basins are also obstructions and out of bounds when a vessel with an LOA of 50m or greater when is manoeuvring within the swing basin. Designated swing basins have been established at the following locations:
 - 9.2.1. At the entrance to Webb Dock
 - 9.2.2. Off the end of Gellibrand Pier
 - 9.2.3. Off the end of Station Pier
- 9.3. **[DP]**Any boat subject of a complaint by a Ship's master for any reason whatsoever may be disqualified.

10. THE FINISH

- 10.1. The finishing line will be between the flag staff displaying the club burgee next to the race box at the northern end of the RYCV marina, and mark "O". A blue flag may also be displayed on the flag staff.

11. TIME LIMITS

- 11.1. The time limit is for the first boat is 1715. If no boat finished within the time limit, the race will be abandoned.
- 11.2. Boats that do not finish prior to 1730 shall be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1 and A5.2.



12. HEARING REQUESTS

- 12.1. The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day, or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 12.2. Notice of intention to request a hearing must be advised on mobile 0402858123 within the protest time limit and written forms must be lodged at the race office within 24 hours of the time limit.
- 12.3. Hearing request forms are available from the race office. Or online <http://rycv.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/Protest-Form.pdf>
- 12.4. Interested parties will be contacted to advise the time and location of hearing.

13. OFFICIAL VESSELS

- 13.1. Official vessels will display the Royal Yacht Club of Victoria burgee.