



OPENING DAY 2023

SAIL PAST

Instructions

Prize for best dressed yacht will be awarded again this year.

Yachts are to assemble clear of the Williamstown Channel in an area East Southeast of No.19A Port of Melbourne Channel Pile. At about 1045hrs for an 1100 start.

At the commencement of the manoeuvre the "*THORSEN*" will make one sound signal and hoist a Blue Flag.

Yachts are then asked to line up behind the Rear Commodore Sailing's yacht, "UP 'N GO" and follow between a yellow buoy and "*THORSEN*".

Yachts are to follow line astern around a laid orange buoy then pass astern of Official vessel, "*SCIMITAR*" with our Commodore, and official party, on board.

As they pass the Official vessel, yachts should dip their colours, and salute the Commodore with three cheers.

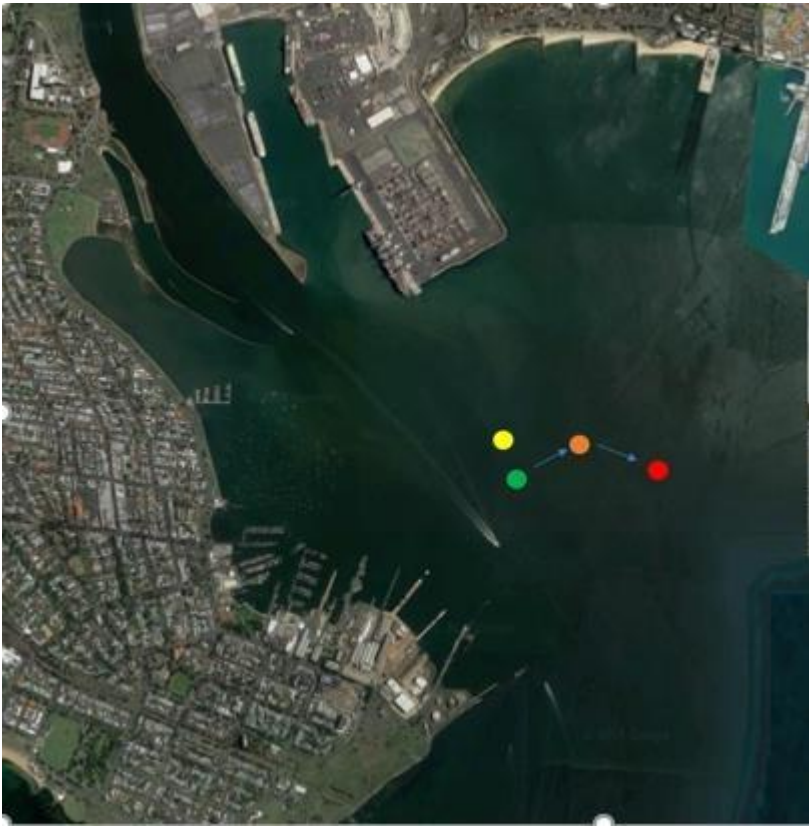
Skippers are reminded that this is **not** a race, but an orderly yachting manoeuvre. Skippers will have to regulate the speed of their yachts by controlling their sails to keep line astern. Once you are in line, endeavour to keep your position, as other yachts will be following you.

The Sailing Committee is not asking Skippers to form up in yacht registration number order, but if this can be achieved it is a great feature.

You will have plenty of time to assemble to SAIL PAST so please do not push in if you are late, please join the end of the line.

NOTE ON FLAG ETTIQUETTE: The Club Burgee should be worn on the main-mast head or at the starboard lower crosstree. It should not be dipped.

An ensign or the flag of the State of Victoria may be worn on a staff or from the backstay or other appropriate point at the stern. This should be dipped when passing the official vessel to give the salute.



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Yellow = Start Mark

Green = THORSEN

Orange = Turning Mark

Red = SCIMITAR

Rear Commodore Sailing's Yacht – "UP 'N GO"

