



Classic Yacht Association of Australia Cup Regatta 1 to 2 November 2025 Notice of Race

On behalf of the Classic Yacht Association of Australia (CYCAA) the Royal Yacht Club of Victoria (RYCV) as the Organising Authority invites entries for Classic Yachts and Coutu Boats to the Classic Yacht Association of Australia Cup Regatta.

1. Rules

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing including the prescriptions of Australian Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. The Australian Sailing (AS) Special Regulations Part 1 will apply.
- 1.3. **[DP]** Denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the Protest Committee. This changes RRS 63.5.
- 1.4. **[SP]** Denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the Race Committee or Technical Committee without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.
- 1.5. **[NP]** Denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1.

2. Equipment and Entry

- 2.1. Boats shall comply with AS Special Regulations Part 1, Category 7 (plus working VHF radio)
- 2.2. Boats will carry no anchor forward of the stem or with any part of it outboard, except when anchoring.
- 2.3. All crews on boats without lifelines shall always wear a personal floatation device (PFD) whilst afloat.
- 2.4. All boats entered shall be on the register of a Yacht Club affiliated with Australian Sailing.
- 2.5. All competitors shall be members of a club affiliated with Australian Sailing or a World Sailing MNA or purchase a Sail Pass via RYCV office.
- 2.6. Eligible boats may enter and pay the required fee of \$165 by completing the online entry form available on the RYCV website

<https://rycv.com.au/classic-yachts-cup-regatta-2025/>

- 2.7. Entries close at midday on Sunday 26 October 2025. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the race committee with payment of Late Fee of an extra \$40.



3. Advertising

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

4. Racing in Divisions

4.1. Racing will be in divisions. The organising authority reserves the right to amend divisional breakpoints to adjust fleet sizes dependent on entries.

Division	Description	Class (Perpetual Prize Scoring By)
Division 1	Boats with a PHS over 0.470	PHS
Division 2	Tumlarens	Scratch
Division 3	Boats with PHS of 0.470 or less	PHS
Division 4	Couta Boats	PHS
Division 5	Modern Classics	PHS

4.2 Modern Classic Yacht

For the purposes of this event, a *Modern Classic* is a yacht that:

- Was originally designed prior to 31 December 1975,
- Is built to retain the spirit and style of that original design, and
- Has a hull form, rig, and aesthetic typical of its original era, rather than incorporating radical modern design features.

Replica builds and restorations faithful to the original pre-1975 design are also eligible.

The Organising Authority reserves the right to refuse entry to any yacht it deems ineligible under this definition.



5. Schedule

Date	Divisions	Races Scheduled	First Warning Signal	Course Type
Sat 1 Nov	1,2,3,4&5	2	1055	Laid Courses
Sun 2 Nov	1,2,3,4&5	1	1025	Fixed Mark

- 5.1. On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1500.

6. Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions will be available by Fri 24 October 2025 on the RYCV Regatta website

<https://rycv.com.au/classic-yachts-cup-regatta-2025/>

Sailing Instructions may also be available from RYCV Regatta office on race days.

7. Venue

Racing will be conducted on the waters of Hobsons Bay and Northern Port Phillip.

8. The Courses

The courses will be as described in the Sailing Instructions.



9. Scoring

- 9.1. There shall be a minimum of 3 entries to constitute a division or handicap class.
- 9.2. For each division two (2) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.3. For each division or class and a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 9.4. RRS A5.3 will apply.

10. Radio Communication

- 10.1. **[DP]** Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

11. Prizes

- 11.1. Subject to at least three entries per division being received, the following Perpetual Trophies shall be awarded.
 - COL BANDY TROPHY Awarded to the Classic Yacht with the lowest aggregated points score for all 2024 Cup Regatta.
 - TONY BLAKE PERPETUAL TROPHY. The trophy deed of gift stipulates a copy of the perpetual trophy be awarded to the Classic Yacht with the best performing points score aggregated over the 2025 Cup Regatta and over the immediate past Summer and Winter Series. Double performance points score is activated for 2025 Cup Regatta races.
 - STRADBROKE II TROPHY Awarded to the Couta Boat with the lowest overall aggregated point score for all 2025 Cup Regatta.
 - RMYS UIRA TROPHY Awarded to the Tumblaren with the lowest overall aggregated point score in the 2025 Cup Regatta.
 - RGYC DIGBY FAMILY TROPHY Awarded to the best performing classic yacht in the 2025 Cup Regatta from Corio Bay.
 - JOE WHITE BEQUEST TROPHY for best restoration and maintenance of a Classic Yacht or Boat in the 2025 Cup Regatta.
- 11.2. Further prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.
- 11.3. Prizes will be awarded on Sunday 2nd November 2025 at the RYCV on conclusion of racing.



12. Risk Statement

12.1. **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. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes.

13. Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party insurance with a minimum cover of AUD \$10 Million per incident or the equivalent.

14. Berthing at RYCV

14.1. Berthing by visiting competitors at the RYCV is free on the nights from 31st October to 3rd November.

14.2. **[NP]** It is required that all competitor boats will berth at the RYCV overnight on Friday 31 October to be eligible for the JOE WHITE BEQUEST TROPHY. Judging for this trophy will take place during the morning of 1st November at the RYCV marina prior to racing.

15. Further Information

Food & beverages, including breakfast will be available from RYCV on race days.

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