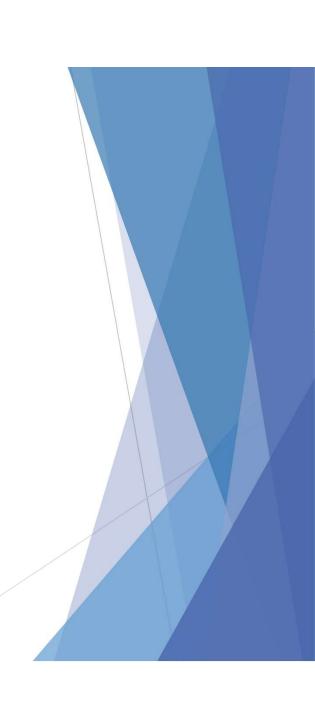
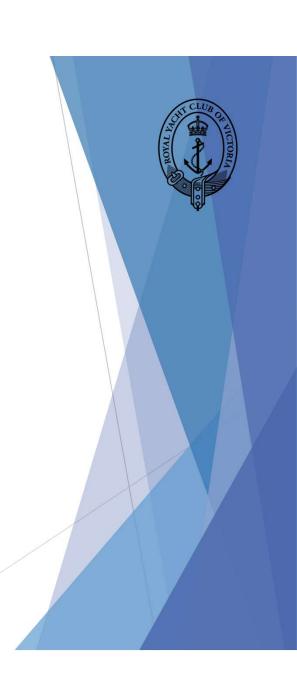


# Season 2025/26



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Introduction and Welcome to the 2025 - 2026 Racing season





## 173rd OPENING DAY - 4th October 2025

Time	Activity					
10:00	General Committee members and officials meet on the deck					
10:15-10:30	Members and guests proceed to boats and prepare for the					
	Sail Past					
10:45	Yachts assemble in designated area for Sail Past					
11:00	Yachts to commence sail past					
12:20 - 12:40	Vessels return to the Club					
12:00 - 13:00	Rats of Tobruk – Pipe Band					
13:00	Acknowledgement of Country – Commodore Damian Purcell					
13:05	Stand for National Anthem					
13:10	Commodore Damian Purcell welcomes Members and Guests					
13:15	Reverend Marg Goddard - blessing of the fleet					
13:20	Commodore to present Life & Honorary Life Member					
	Badges x 3					
	Alan Sheers, Cliff Wilkinson and PC Michael McLean					
13:25	Award 'Best Dressed Vessel'					
13:30	Past Commodore Michael Smith fires Cannon					
	Junior Club Captains to break out Club Burgee					
	Holly Severino and Matthew Cross					
13:35	Live music commences at the Club					
13:35	Lunch to commence					
16:00	Live music concludes					



## **ROYAL YACHT CLUB OF VICTORIA**

OPENING DAY 4 OCTOBER, 2025

The Commodore and Flag Officers of Royal Yacht Club of Victoria

invite you to attend

the 173rd Opening Day

on Saturday 4th October 2025

commencing at 1000hrs

to be held at the Clubhouse 120 Nelson Place, Williamstown 3016

Sail Past commences at 1100hrs

Rats of Tobruk at 1200hrs

Formalities commence at 1300hrs

Stay on and enjoy lunch and the live entertainment planned for the rest of the day.

Book Now - https://bit.ly/Openingday25





# Summer season Overview





A coalition of the Northern Clubs with an aim to promote great racing.

Build fleet numbers
Common handicaps across the three Clubs
Common race document clauses
Shared Race Management loads

## Plus

- PPNYC Aggregate (Sheep stations) Trophy
- PPNYC Fixed Marks Series Trophy
- PPNYC Laid Course Series Trophy
- PPNYC Long Distance Series Trophy



Enter via RYCV website with automatic entry to the PPNYC Series

# Challenge 12

## **Laid Course Racing – 8 Races**

## **INCORPORATING**

- Commodore in Chief Trophy 1 race RMYS hosted
- McCutcheon Cup 2 Races
- Harold Ward Trophy 2 Races
- E O Digby Trophy 2 Races
- RMYS Services Shield (no RYCV Trophy) RMYS hosted

## **Series Trophy - ORCwl**

AMS and PHS scores count towards the season aggregate



# **Jeffery Gray Series**

**Fixed Mark Racing Hosted by RMYS** 

## **INCORPORATING**

- Lord Forster Trophy
- Elwood Huon Trophy
- Lord Brassey Trophy
- Awinya Cup Trophy
- Combined PPNYC race (no RYCV trophy)

## **Series Trophy – PHS**

AMS and PHS scores count towards the season aggregate



# Livingstone and Sun Series

Distance racing Hosted by HBYC

## **INCORPORATING**

- Commodores Trophy to Portarlington
- Henry Press (No RYCV Trophy)
- Palliser Trophy to Mornington
- St Leonard's Race (No RYCV Trophy)
- Wyndam Harbor Race (No RYCV Trophy)

Series Trophies – Livingston (AMS)/SUN (PHS)



## Port Phillip Womens' Championship Series (PPWCS)



- 30 November 2025 HBYC Shirley Freeman Trophy
- 1 February 2026 RYCV Val Hodge Trophy
- 1 March 2026 SYC Women in Sailing Challenge
- 15 March 2026 RMYS Jennifer Goldsmith
- 3 May 2025 RBYC Brighton Ladies Skippers Series (BLISS)

## PPNYC Women's Helm Series

HBYC Shirley Freeman, RYCV Val Hodge, RMYS Jennifer Goldsmith

HBYC - Thursday night Steam Packet Female Helms Series

Six races over the Summer

# **Sunday Pursuit Racing**

Tripe and Onions, Steak and Mushrooms

12 Race Sunday Non-Spinnaker Pursuit and Luncheon series

**NEW** Boat Start and Finish



# Sunday Single handed series Gordon and Jim Single handed Trophy

## **INCORPORATING**

- HBYC Single Handed Race
- Single handed Sunday series

## Standalone Trophy Race

- RYCV Black Bottle
  - Single handed with Optional Observer

Gordon & .	Iim Sunday Single Handed Series Race description or Trophy
21/12/2025	Race 1 - Sunday Solo Series
11/01/2026	Race 2 – HBYC Solo Sailors
15/02/2026	Race 3 - Sunday Solo Series
01/03/2026	Race 4 - Sunday Solo Series
08/03/2026	Race 5 - Sunday Solo Series
15/03/2026	Race 6 - Sunday Solo Series

1st Warning

1045

1055 1045

1045

1045 1045





- Policy covering
  - single and
  - double-handed sailing for all PPNYC Events.
- Covers safety requirements for the RYCV Single Handed Series as well as short handed sailing in Mixed Fleets
- Introduces a "Short Handed Race Category"
  - ▶ A,B,C,D with A being the least restrictive and D the most.
- Single-Handed allowed in all Cat A & B events, subject to sailing committee endorsement
- ➤ Single-Handed Endorsement to be granted by sailing committee following completion of Single-Handed Series, or by demonstration of other forms of single-handed racing experience.

Short Handed Sailing Policy



Port Phillip Northern Yacht Clubs (PPNYC) is a collaboration between the three keelboat clubs on the northern shores of Port Phillip: the Royal Yacht Club of Victoria, Hobsons Bay Yacht Club and the Royal Melboume Yacht Squadron.

In this document, the term "Home Club" means the club where the boat is registered, and the term "Host" club means the club that is conducting the race or series,

Every boat entering a scheduled race shall have all the safety equipment on board as prescribed to the Racing Rules of Saling (RRS) and the Australian Saling Special Regulations, and shall have safety procedures clearly defined, understood and practiced. The competitor is responsible for ensuring that the vessel has adequate insurance cover for short-handed racing.

This policy is an extension of these safety procedures specifically for single-handed and double handed racing either for races designated as single-handed or double-handed events, or for competitors making the decision to sall single-handed or double-handed in other approved club

1. Definition

- Single-Handed Entrant: A boat that is sailed by one person only. This mean
- The sole crew member is responsible for all aspects of handling the boat, including safety, navigation, sail trim and steering.
- Double-Handed entrant: A boat that is crewed by exactly two people during the race. This me
- Two crew members are on board, and no others are allowed during the race.
   Both individuals share the responsibilities of salling the boat, including all safety, navigation, sall time and steering.
- The Home Club Sailing Committee is responsible for the implementation of this policy and procedi

Eligibility [NP][DP]
 Single-Handed entrants shall be over 18. Double-handed entrants shall have at least one member over 18 and the second crew member shall be at least 15 unless exempled by th

When a single-handed entrant wishes to sall in general club racing events (other than a designate Single-Handed Salling event), they shall apply to their <u>Hame</u> club for "Single-Handed" endorseme

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and will be released shortly.
This covers Solo and Two
handed racing

# Rivers Cup - Wednesday Afternoon Pursuit

27 Race Afternoon Pursuit series
Optional Spinnaker



Combined Wednesday Twilight Racing - 22 Race series

## **INCORPORATING**

- Bill Hales Trophy PHS Div 1
- Essendon Trophy Series PHS Div 2
- Andrew Bell Trophy AMS Div1
- Essendon Cup AMS Div 2

## NEW!

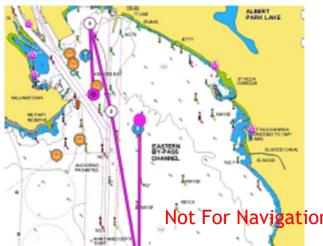
- RMYS Spinnaker division will join the fleet
- New Courses added 26, 27, 28 and 29



# New Twilight Courses - Southerly

## Course 26 - Southerly

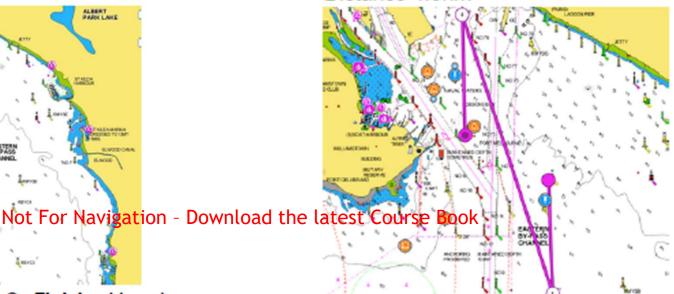
Distance 7.3nm



Start - Near RMYS C. Finish – V mark Start - east of bounding marks Ch 11, Ch 9, Ch 7, Ch 5 - R2 to starboard - east of bounding marks Ch 5, Ch 7, Ch 9, Ch 11, Ch 71 - R4 to port finish

## Course 27 - Southerly

Distance 4.8nm



Start - Near RMYS C. Finish – V mark Start - east of bounding marks Ch 11, Ch 9 -R3 to starboard - east of bounding marks Ch 9, Ch 11, Ch 71 - R4 to port - finish.

# New Twilight Courses - Northerly

## Course 28 - Northerly

Distance 7.2nm



Start – near V mark. Finish – near RMYS C Start - R4 to starboard - east of bounding marks Ch 71, Ch 11, Ch 9, Ch 7, Ch 5 - R2 to port finish.

## Course 29 - Northerly

Distance 4.7nm



Start – near V mark. Finish – near RMYS C Start - R4 to starboard - east of bounding marks Ch 71, Ch 11, Ch 9 - R3 to port - finish.

## **Association Cup**

12<sup>th</sup> April 2026

RYCV would like to have a strong team to represent RYCV at next years Association Cup

- ► Two boats in AMS
- ► Two boats in ORC
- Entry by invitation to the best performing boats in each Handicap
- ► Invitations issued by 15<sup>th</sup> March 2026



# Overnight Racing

► RMYS Big Bay Challenge

6<sup>th</sup> December

Compulsory first leg PPNYC Mornington Race

► RYCV Navigators Challenge

28th February 2026

Compulsory first leg PPNYC St Leonards' Race

► HBYC Sea Pilots

28th March 2026

Traditional 90 Nautical Mile Format



Races subject to minimum numbers of entries - Navigators Challenge Entries are Open

# Regattas

- ► Lipton Cup RYCV November
- ► Cock of the Bay ORCV December
- ► Petersville Regatta BYS December
- ► Festival of Sail RGYC January
- ► Sail Peninsula SBYC February
- Don't forget the Range series Race 3 hosted by RYCV



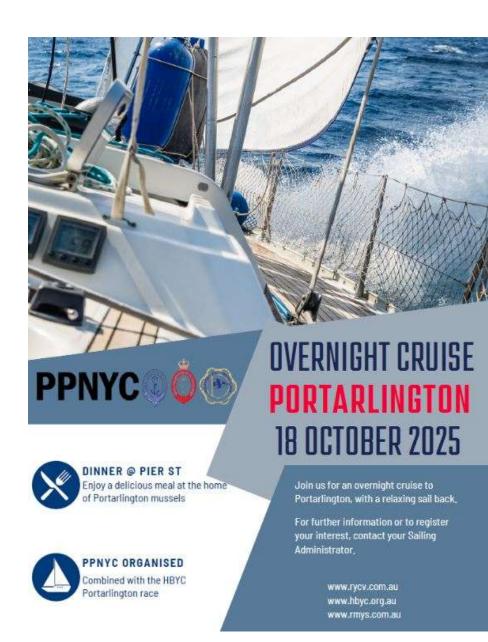
# Winter Sailing

Class Monkeys, Brass Monkeys, Laura Gloria



# Overnight Cruise Opportunities

On the back of the existing distance races there are opportunities for Cruisers to spend a night at a destination in company



## Calendar

## https://rycv.com.au/sailing/racing-calendar/



# Subscribe to the Calander to see all season's events

SUN 28	MON 29	TUE 30	1 Oct	THU 2	FRI 3	SAT 4 • 10am Opening • 10am SEASON
5 10:30am CLASS 10:45am AVISO 11am RYCV Suns	6	7	8 • 2pm Wednesda • 6pm Wednesda	9 • 6pm JELLIS CR	10	11 • 2pm RYCV Jeff
12 • 11am RYCV Suns • 2pm DRAGON F	13	14	15 • 2pm Wednesda • 6pm Wednesda	16 • 6pm JELLIS CR	17 • 6pm DRAGON F	18 • 10am Livingsto
19 12am HBYC and 10:30am CLASS	20	21	22 • 2pm Wednesda • 6pm Wednesda	23 • 6pm JELLIS CR	24	25 • 12am (blank) • 12am Range Ra
26 10:45am AVISO 11am RYCV Suns	27	28	29 • 2pm Wednesda • 6pm Wednesda	30 • 6pm PGN GEOS	31 • 6pm DRAGON F	1 Nov • 12am ORCV - N • 11am CYAA Cup

ROYAL YACHT CLUB OF VICTORIA
Annexure 3 to NOTICE OF RACE
OCTOBER 2025 to SEPTEMBER 2026

This document is an Annexure to the Putr Philip Men'n Yacht Clubs (PhyrVC) Notice of Race.

A3.1 ELIOBILITY

HYC'V boats may admit eighter of the September 2026

The document is an Annexure to the Putr Philip Men'n Yacht Clubs (PhyrVC) Notice of Race.

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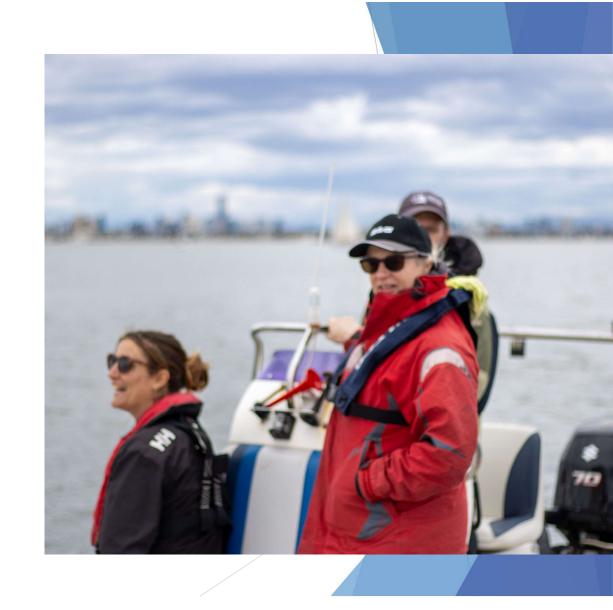
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Now Available!

Downloadable Season Calander from the link above.

Printed: 18/09/2025

# **Volunteers**



## Race Management Roster - Volunteer Allocations

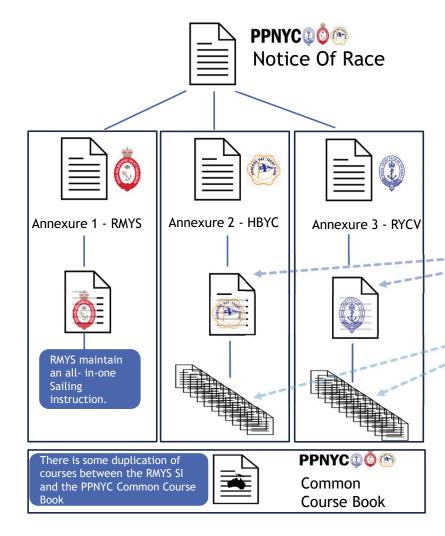
- Each boat is asked to support the Race Management Team at least once per season
- 2 volunteers to be nominated to man the Race boat
- Dates may be nominated by the boat owner or representative across Wednesday twilights and weekend races
- Nomination of 2 possible dates (1 will be selected) are requested before season start via a <u>Web Form</u>
- The roster will be available for viewing on the Club Web Site.

Race Management Volunteers (sailingresults.net)



# **Race Documents**





# Annexures - Club Specific

rules, schedules and information

Standard Sailing Instruction Produced by the "Home" Club running the series - ideally with the same "look and feel" and conditions. (RYCV+HBYC)

## Supplementary Sailing Instructions

Produced by the "Home" Club running the series - ideally with the same "look and feel" (RYCV+HBYC)

Make sure you know which Club is running your races - Check the NOR Annexure for details then go to the relevant sailing instruction at the RYCV, RMYS or HBYC websites.

## **NOR Clauses**

## Port Phillip North Yacht Clubs



## Notice of Race

Port Phillip Northern Yacht Clubs (PPNYC) is a collaboration between the three keelboat clubs on the northern shore of Port Phillip: the Royal Yacht Club of Victoria, Hobsons Bay Yacht Club and the Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron Its purpose is to deliver enhanced yachting events, uniting larger and more competitive fleets while making more efficient use of race administration resources.

additional trophies and prizes across the combined Port Phillip North fleet

The Organizing Authorities for the 2025-2026 Season are the Royal Melhourne Yacht Squadron (RMYS). Royal Yacht Club of Victoria (RYCV) and Hobsons Bay Yacht Club (HBYC) as host Clubs on behalf of Port Philip North

In this Notice of Race, the term "Home Club" means the club where the boat is registered, and the term "Host Club means the club that is conducting the race or series

This NOR references Annexures 1,2 and 3, the Standard Sailing Instruction, Supthe Common Course Book.

Racing will be conducted in the waters of Port Phillip

- 1. Rules
  The season will be governed by:
  The property of the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
  The rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
  The Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) Part 1
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## 1.9 RRS 51 is changed so that a boot with moveable hallost or variable hallost (within the meaning of those terms in the Special Requisitions (SR's) may move that ballast for the purpose of changing trim or stability to the extent permitted by their stability rating.

- 1.10. RRS S2 is changed:

  To allow self-steering equipment to be used by boats salling in a Two-Handed division and/or race.

  To allow the adjustment of novable water ballast or carting keels on any boat and the use of stored to allow the use of stored power for sail handling and sail trimming on any boat.
- 1.11. [DP] Denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the Protest Committee
- 1.12. [SP] Denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the Race Committee without her This changes RRS A5.
- 1.13. [NP] Denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1
- 1.14. [NP] [DP] Man Overboard (MOB):
  If a yacht experiences a crew overboard incident during a race, she shall immediately retire. A boat that continues racing after a man overboard incident shall be scored DSQ without a hearing.

## 2. [SP] Eligibility

## Changes

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## 9. Handicapping

- 9.1 Boats will be allocated a Performance Handicap and/or Pursuit Handicap by their home club's Handicapper. ......
- 9.3 Performance Handicaps and Pursuit Handicaps (where applicable) will be applied across all series. That is, each boat will have one Performance Handicap and one Pursuit Handicap. Accordingly, a boat's handicap (performance or pursuit) may change between races in a series based on races from another series.
- 9.4 [NP] Handicap allocations and adjustments are not grounds for protest or redress ... Handicaps may be altered at any time at the discretion of the Club Handicapper or Sailing Committee. Requests for review must be made in writing to the Host/Home Clubs Sailing Committee.

## Communications with Competitors

## Official noticeboard is online;

https://rycv.com.au/sailing/keelboat/notice-tocompetitors/

Notice To Competitors (NTC) will be posted online and to the Club notice board as a secondary location

Additional Communications:

Before leaving the dock Flags Sound signals SMS

After leaving the dock

- Flags
- Sound Signals
- VHF



# Race / Series Entry



## Race Entry



RYCV Season 2025/2026 October 2025 - September 2026

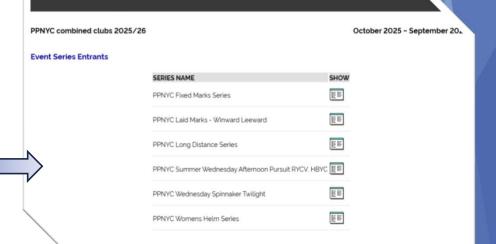
## Create Entry / Update Entry / Add Crew....

# SERIES Summer Sunday Pursuit Summer Sunday Pursuit Rivers Cup Wednesday Afternoon Pursuit Series Com. au/sailing/keelboat/entry/ Jeffrey Cray Series Livingston & Sun Long Distance Series Womens Helm Series Challenge 12 Series Navigators Challenge Single Handed Series Geoffrey Evans Trophy (Navy Week) Black Bottle Race Phoenix Passage Race SEASON 2025-2026

**ENTERNOW** 

**PPNYCENTRANTS** 

# Entries now open



## Crew Sign On and SAILPASS



**NEW** Single Crew Declaration Link for ALL Topyacht events.

This should carry forward to subsequent seasons.

https://topyacht.com.au/db/kb2/mob\_crew\_login.php

**Mandatory information for all crew** - name, contact number, a valid Australian Sailing number and emergency contact details.





For Crew without an active Australian Sailing number you will need to obtain a Sail Pass.

The passes are for the benefit and safety of all sailors, so that we have emergency contact details for everyone out on the water.

https://rycv.com.au/membership-at-royal-yacht-club-of-victoria/day-pass/

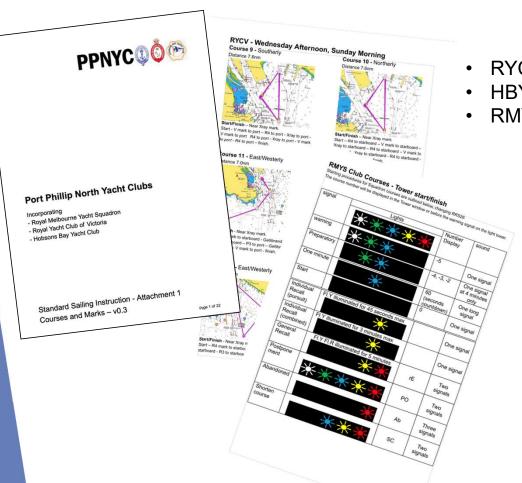
ONLINE SAIL PASS
To obtain a pass, simply fill out the Sail Pass form online.



# **Course Information**



## **Combined Course Book**



- RYCV to host all of our traditional events
- HBYC will host most Long-Distance races
- · RMYS will host fixed mark series

All courses approved by Ports Victoria

## Courses and Ports Victoria

Every event we run has an **Aquatic Event Permit (AEA)** submitted and approved by the Harbor Master.

Our sailing program is dependent on the good will of the Port Authority.



- ► Give all commercial vessels a wide berth
- ▶ Do not cross a shipping channel (marked by beacons) when shipping is present or expected
- Do not anchor in commercial vessel anchorages (for example A1, A2 or A3) this happened recently and caused delays to a tanker
- ▶ Do not drift or anchor in or in the vicinity of any shipping channels
- ► Ensure you are fully aware of the requirement of HMDs Section 5 recreational vessels available at: <u>Harbour Master's Directions for port of Melbourne</u>
- ▶ **Port works:** there are a lot of works going on in the port at the moment, in particular the beacon replacement program Check the Notices to Mariners.





# Safety Information

## Safety Declarations and Club Auditors



### NOTICE OF RACE - APPENDIX A - RYCV

### A.1 ELIGIBILITY

RYCV boats may submit self-assessed SR Equipment Audit forms unless the boat is new to the Club register or has changed ownership in which case a Club auditor must endorse the SR form.

- For all boats on the Club register required annually – whether sailing or not
- Valid for 12 months
- Spot audits can be done at any time

### **CLUB AUDITORS**

- Duncan Rae
- Peter Wilson
- Matt Fahey (inc. ORCV Cat 1 & 2)
- Ian Fox
- Justin Brenan (ORCV Cat 1 & 2)

  Additional Auditors required

### Man Overboard Procedure





# Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 1

### 4.26 RETRIEVAL OF CREW FROM THE WATER

All boats shall be able to demonstrate equipment or method by which crew may be assisted back on board.

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It is recommended to test your procedure using "Rex the dummy" and best practice is to document your procedure to familiarise new crew members

40Kg plus wet clothing is much more of a challenge to recover than a life ring.

Rex is available for loan for training purposes and lives in the Mark shed.

# Lifejackets - PFD's

# Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 1

- Required one for every crew appropriate type. Must meet required AS and be serviced annually or as specified by the manufacturer.
- · Evidence of service must be recorded.



https://rnli.org/magazine/magazine-featured-list/2020/april/how-to-check-and-maintain-your-lifejacket

## MEDICAL KITS - Amendments to Special Regulations



- From 2028 the Kits are Modular and will be race length dependant. – 4 Kits – Kit A + B1 + B2 + C
- From 2024 2028 it is optional which version you carry unless otherwise stated in the sailing instructions.



# A. Mandatory Kit INSHORE KIT Notes:

- Also used as a "Day Kit" for coastal and offshore races.
- Inshore Kit is accessible by ALL crew.
- Keep in a watertight container in a position well known to all crew.

# Safety - VHF radios

- It is a requirement that boats carry a VHF radio either fixed or handheld
- A trained VHF radio operator must be on board to operate the radio as required
- The Club offers regular VHF Radio Operator training which can be booked via the Club's Training webpages.



# Medical Emergencies

- Call <u>000</u> (not the start boat)
- Notify Race Officer
- Go to the nearest club as directed by 000
- Contact the office of the destination club to allow someone to meet the ambulance
- At RYCV go to the travel lift slot (hence the importance of keeping it vacant)
- OTB to Eastern floating pontoon



# LIPTON CUP



# LIPTON CUP

Racing on Saturday

Alpha Course Windward/Leeward

Bravo Course OTB Sailing – 3 invited Classes plus Greenfleet

Charlie Course Classics and Cruisers

Delta One Design Racing

Racing on Sunday

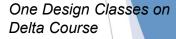
Bravo Course OTB Sailing – 3 invited Classes plus Greenfleet

Charlie Course Fixed Marks All Keelboat Competitors



# Entries Open!

**Earlybird Entries Closing 30th September** 



- S80's
- Adams 10's
- Sydney 36's
- Sydney 32's



# At the end of the Day when the race is over

# If you're wanting to stay for a drink or food after a race

- Don't forget to book a table at the club
- Notify the staff when booking of your ETA
- Also tell them you are a competitor so they know you may not come in at the designated time
- Sailors Menu on Race days between 1500 and 1700

# Final Questions?



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