

NOTICE OF RACE

Mornington Yacht Club 2019 - 2020 Sailing Season

Mornington Yacht Club (MYC) Sailing Committee, as the **Organizing Authority**, invites owners of eligible boats to apply to participate in the season of MYC races to be held on Port Phillip from the first race to the last race of the season as defined in the Schedule of Races.

1. Rules

1.1 Races will be governed by the **rules** as defined in the ***Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS)***

1.2 The Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS).

1.3 The handicapping rules of Yachting Victoria (YV).

1.4 The class rules of Off the Beach Boat classes sailing in single class events.

2. Advertising - Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

3. Eligibility

3.1 The season is open to keelboats and trailable yachts in AMS, CBH, SMS and Performance Handicap Divisions. Also individual classes, Etchells, Flying Fifteens, Optimists, Lasers, 420's and other Off the Beach Boats sailing under mixed class Yardstick handicaps.

3.2 (a) The classes of boats listed below shall be eligible to race in MYC events:

Keelboats (Divisions 1, 2 & 3) and Etchells shall race under AS Special Regulations Part 1 Category 6 or better. A compliant marine grade VHF radio shall be carried onboard for all Category 6 races. *This modifies AS Special Regulations sub-clause 3.25.*

Some MYC Keelboat events shall be raced under Category 5 or 5N as determined by the Special Sailing Instructions published from time to time.

(b) Off the Beach Boats (including Flying Fifteens) shall race under AS Special Regulations Part 2. A compliant marine grade VHF radio shall be carried onboard for use in all Flying Fifteen Class races. *This modifies Class Rule B 14.5.*

3.3 Eligible boats may be registered to race during the season by completion of the Boat Registration Form and lodging it at the MYC Race Office by the 30th September 2019.

3.4 To be eligible to race, all boat owners who are members of MYC on 30th September 2019. [or later in accordance with clause 3.4 (f)];

(a) Shall have paid the prescribed Sailing Membership Fee by the 30th September 2019;

(b) Shall have submitted a fully and correctly completed a Boat Registration and Insurance Declaration Form by the 30th September 2019 for the boat;

(c) Shall have submitted the prescribed 'Race Entry and Safety Declaration of Compliance' form by the 30th September 2019 for the boat;

(d) Shall ensure that all crew members have paid their Sailing Crew Membership Fee and that those crew members who are members of MYC on 30th September 2019 are currently financial before their first race.

- (e) Shall ensure that the SailPass Membership fee is paid for visiting crew members or those individuals who are joining members of MYC on the day that they are to sail and shall also provide evidence that those crew members who are members of another AS affiliated club hold a current AS membership.
 - (f) All boat owners joining MYC after the 30th September 2019 and bringing a boat for racing at the Club shall meet the provisions as outlined in Clause 3.4 above.
- 3.5 **Visiting competitors** may race a boat on a casual basis. Such competitors, when Signing On for a race at the Race Office, shall provide full details of the boat; pay the SailPass Membership for all the crew members and confirm that the boat meets the third-party liability insurance requirement of clause 9.1
4. **Schedule** - The Schedule of Races is published as the Calendar of Events in the Members Yearbook & Diary 2019 - 2020 and in the Calendar on the Club website, <https://www.morningtonyc.net.au/> which is subject to update on a regular basis.
5. **Sailing Instructions**
- 5.1 Standard Sailing Instructions are published in the Sailing Instructions booklet and on the Club website, <https://www.morningtonyc.net.au/> and shall be available after the 30th September 2019.
- 5.2 Special Sailing Instructions will be issued from time to time for all non-standard events and Long Distance Races, also published on the Club website, <https://www.morningtonyc.net.au/>.
6. **Courses** are detailed in Appendix A of the Sailing Instructions or in Special Sailing Instructions as issued from time to time.
7. **Trophies and Prizes** will be awarded for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place in all scheduled Series events and 1st place in Long Distance and Trophy Races, except that Youth and Junior members sailing in Trophy Races shall be awarded for 1st, 2nd & 3rd places. Visitors entering MYC races will not be eligible for Series Trophies or Prizes.
8. **Disclaimer of Liability** – Competitors who participate in the races of the MYC 2019 - 2020 sailing season do so entirely at their own risk. *[See RRS 4 Decision to Race]* The Mornington Yacht Club, the Organising Authority, their employees and volunteers do not accept liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the 2019 - 2020 sailing season. Further Competitors who participate in the races of the MYC 2019 - 2020 sailing season agree to indemnify Mornington Yacht Club and its employees and volunteers from any and all liability, loss, or damage Mornington Yacht Club and its employees and volunteers may suffer as a result of claims, demands, costs, or judgments against Mornington Yacht Club and its employees and volunteers arising from Competitors participation in the races of the MYC 2019 - 2020 sailing season.
9. **Insurance**
- 9.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with currently valid third-party liability insurance of not less than \$10,000,000.
- 9.2 Each boat owner who is a member of MYC shall submit a 'Declaration of Insurance Cover' for the boat being entered when lodging a Boat Registration Form.
10. **Further Information**
- For further information contact the Race Administrator at the Race Office on 03 5975 6805 or by email to raceadmin@moringtonyc.net.au.