

NOTICE OF RACE

Mount Martha Yacht Club 2023-2024 Sailing Season

Mount Martha Yacht Club (MMYC), as the Organizing Authority, invites owners of eligible boats to participate in the season of MMYC races to be held on Port Phillip Bay from October 2023 through June 2024.

1. RULES

All races will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

2. ADVERTISING

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

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The season is open to all Off the Beach Boats with a Yachting Victoria (YV) handicap to a maximum length of 18 feet.
- 3.2. All current members of MMYC are eligible to race.
- 3.3. Visiting competitors may race on a casual basis for nil fee, up to three times during the season provided they are financial members of a AS affiliated club.
- 3.4. The Rear Commodore (or their nominated representative) will be the Safety Officer and shall have the right to refuse any entry.
- 3.5. All boats that were registered for the 2022-23 season have been registered for this season. Members with a new or different boat are required to register with the Tower Officer at least two hours prior to their first race.
- 3.6. Visitors and MMYC members wishing to sail Club boats can enter on the day of racing must see the Tower Officer or Scorer.
- 3.7. By entering, participants are deemed to have declared they meet the insurance requirements as defined in 13.1

4. **SCHEDULE**

The Schedule of Races for the 2023-2024 Sailing Season is published in the Sailing Program available on the Club website and the Sailor App.

5. **MEASUREMENT**

Each boat shall be able to produce a valid class measurement certificate (if applicable) on request.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1. Sailing Instructions will be published on the Club website and the Sailor App.
- 6.2. Special Sailing Instructions will be issued from time to time for all non-standard events and also may be published on the Club website and the Sailor App.

7. COURSES

Courses will be as described in the Sailing Instructions, Attachment A.

8. SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats shall register with the MMYC tower prior to the warning signal of a race.



9. **BERTHING**

- 9.1. MMYC member's boats and equipment with the approved Yard Application and nominal fees paid may be stored in the Club grounds.
- 9.2. Visitor's boats and equipment may be stored temporarily on application to the Rear Commodore or Yardmaster.

10. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

11. PRIZES

- 11.1. Prizes will be awarded for all scheduled Series at the discretion of the Sailing Committee.
- 11.2. Each division is scored based on AS yardstick and Club handicap.
- 11.3. The Club Championship series will additionally be scored based on boat class when five or more boats in the same class compete. The Sailing Committee reserves the right to vary the number of boats required for Club Championship status.
- 11.4. Those presented with a class or yardstick prize are ineligible for divisional handicap prizes.
- 11.5. Visitors entering MMYC races will not be eligible for series prizes.
- 11.6.A DNC score for a race shall be one more than the number of competitors entered in that series.

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the season entirely at their own risk. See RRS, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the season.

13. INSURANCE

- 13.1. Each participating boat shall at least be insured with currently valid third-party liability insurance of not less than AUD\$5,000,000.00 (recommended AUD\$10,000,000.00).
- 13.2. Each boat shall be able to produce proof of valid Insurance if requested by the Race Committee.

14. Amendments

Any amendments to this Notice of Race shall be posted on the MMYC website and on the MMYC Notice Board no later than 1 week prior to it taking effect.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact: Rear Commodore, Mount Martha Yacht Club tim.deen@mmyc.org.au www.mmyc.org.au