



The Yanmar Wooden Boatshop 2018 Wooden Boat Festival
10th– 12th March, 2018
Corio Bay, Geelong, Australia

NOTICE OF RACE

Organizing Authority: Royal Geelong Yacht Club (RGYC)



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1. Rules

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), and Australian Sailing (AS) Special Regulations Part 1 or Part 2.
- 1.2 The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be on the official notice board located adjacent to the Club's slipway and may be available for download from the RGYC website after the 19th February 2018.

2. Advertising

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

3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1 The Regatta is open to all wooden boats (Classic Yachts designed before 1985).
- 3.2 All yacht racing competitors will be a members of a yacht club affiliated with Australian Sailing and hold AS membership.
- 3.3 By entering the event competitors agree to any photographic images or video recording from the event being used by the organizing authority and/or event sponsors. No remuneration will be made for use of such images or recordings.
- 3.4 Eligible boats may enter online. Online entries and Regatta information can be accessed on the WBF website; woodenboatfestivalgeelong.com.au
- 3.5 Entries close at 1700hrs Friday 16th February, 2018
- 3.6 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee. Until 1700hrs on Wednesday 7th March 2018. Late entry fee may apply.
- 3.7 All boats entered must fly the supplied 2018Wooden Boat Festival flags when berthed in the marina

4. Fees (all fees include GST)

Keel Boats & Power Boats: \$90 per boat. This entry fee includes commemorative plaque, event flag and berthing.

Dinghy: \$58 per boat

Boats Displaying On-Water: \$60 per boat in Marina area

Boats Displaying on Hardstand: \$60 per boat in hard stand display area

Rowing Skiff: \$35 per boat

Late entry fee: Additional \$10 per boat.

All entrants will be in the running for a range of prizes with a total value of \$6000

5. Schedule of Race & Events

Classes/Divisions	Sat 10 th	Sun 11 th	Sat 10 th to Mon 12 th
Registration & sign On	Opens 9:00am		Shore-side activities: - Bands - Displays - BBQ's - Socializing
Classic Yachts	Passage Race Portarlington to Geelong	Grand Parade SC Racing	
Modern	Passage Race Portarlington to Geelong	Grand Parade SC Racing	
Couta Boats	Passage Race Portarlington to Geelong	Grand Parade SC Racing	
Tumlarins	Passage Race Portarlington to Geelong	Grand Parade SC Racing	
Heron	1 x WL	2 x WL	
OTB Wooden Boat Series	1 x WL	2 x WL	
Boats Displaying On-Water	Marina Display	Grand Parade	
Boats Displaying on Hardstand	Hardstand Display	Grand Parade	
Wooden Power Boats		Grand Parade Nav Rally	

WL: Windward Leeward, SC: Special Course

6. The Courses

Courses and start times will be as described in the Supplementary Sailing Instructions.

7. Measurements

All boats shall provide the organizing authority with a valid handicap.

8. Scoring

8.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series

8.2 A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores. This changes rule A2.

9. Radio Communications

9.1 Race committee communications will be made on VHF channel 71

9.2 Marine VHF radios shall be carried and monitored by all boats in the passage race. The radio may be permanently installed or be a waterproof handheld. Radios must be capable of operating on VHF channels 16 & 71.

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

10. Prizes

Prizes will be given at the discretion of the organizing authority and the Wooden Boat Festival Committee and also for the following events;

- The Norglass Passage Race for Modern Yachts
- The centralgeelong.com.au Passage Race for Classic Wooden Yachts
- The North Sails Passage Race for Couta Boats
- The Gill Passage Race for Tumlarins
- The Wooden Boatshop Couta Boat Cup
- The Victorian Regional Channels Authority Corio Bay Classic Wooden Yacht Cup
- The YANMAR Corio Bay Cup for Modern Wooden yachts
- The Gill Off The Beach Series
- The RGYC Heron Series
- The Leura Park Estate Concourse d'Elegance for Wooden Yachts
- The Cayzer Boats Concourse d'Elegance for Wooden Power Boats
- The Lin and Larry Pardey Concourse d'Elegance for Wooden Boats under 30ft
- The YANMAR Navigation Rally for Wooden Power Boats
- The Ruth Plummer Grand Parade of Boats & Cavalcade of Sail
- The City of Greater Geelong St Ayles Skiff Rowing Series
- The Geelong Connected Communities Corio Bay Tumlarin Trophy

11. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule4, 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 regatta.

12. Safety Requirements

12.1 The Safety Categories will be Australian Sailing (AS) Special Regulations Part 1 or Part 2 as detailed below;

- ✚ Keel Boats - Classic & Modern: AS Special Regulations Part 1, Category 5
- ✚ Couta Boats: AS Special Regulations Part 1, Category 7
- ✚ Tumlarins: AS Special Regulations Part 1, Category 7
- ✚ Heron: AS Special Regulations Part 2
- ✚ OTB Wooden Boats: AS Special Regulations Part 2

12.2 All personnel aboard vessels without lifelines shall wear an AS approved Personal Flotation Device at all times when afloat.

13. Insurance

By lodging an entry, the owner/charterer agrees that he/she will ensure that the entered yacht is covered by suitable public liability insurance of at least AU\$10,000,000 (or foreign currency equivalent), valid for racing, and current for the duration of the 2018 Wooden Boat Festival.

14. About the Venue

The Royal Geelong Yacht Club was established in 1859 and is the premier yacht club on Corio Bay, Victoria, and is ideally situated on the Central Geelong Waterfront Precinct. The Club offers extensive facilities for members and the yachting community. The facilities which are available include a 250 berth marina with slipway and yard repair facilities along with a newly refurbished clubhouse which includes a fine restaurant and bar facilities. There is also a sail maker onsite.

15. Marina Berths

Some berths will be available at no charge to entrants and can be booked by contacting the RGYC Marina Manager; m: 0418 524867 or email: marina@rgyc.com.au

16. Launching Facilities

Trailable boats intending to display, either on the water or hardstand should enter the RGYC Eastern gate and should be on display by 9 am on Saturday, 10th March, 2018. Boats can also be launched at the nearby public boat ramps at St Helens and Limeburners Pt.

17. Accommodation

Geelong and suburbs has a wide range of accommodation from 5 star hotels and apartments on the waterfront to comfortable cabins in several caravan parks all within 5 km of the Club.

Further information about accommodation can be obtained from Geelong Visitor Information on 1800 755 611 or www.visit.geelongbellarine.com

Further Information

Further information is available at the Wooden Boat Festival website woodenboatfestivalgeelong.com.au or contact Stuart Dickson on 0417 379 860