

ESCY Elwood Sailing Club Youth Regatta

The Organising Authority for this regatta is ELWOOD SAILING CLUB INC.

Elwood Sailing Club, P.O. Box 14, Elwood Vic 3184 email: secretary@elwoodsc.com

5th and 6th December 2009

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

1.1 This Regatta will be governed by the current International Sailing Federations (ISAF) Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2009-2012, the Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Yachting Australia (YA), and the current class rules for the competing classes (except as any of these are altered by the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions), and by the Sailing Instructions. YA Addendum A Part 2 will apply to the Regatta.

1.2 The racing rules will be modified in accordance with rule 86 as follows:

- Rule 32.2 is amended so that flag 'S' requires boats to shorten course and finish at the club finish line.
- Rule 33 is amended to prevent course changes after starting
- Rule 34 (b) is amended so that flag 'M' sound signals may not be made
- Rule 44.2 when applied to catamaran classes one turn only will be required
- Rule 49.1 is amended by the applicable class rules where they permit the use of additional devices
- Rule 63.1 is amended to allow disqualification of incorrect entries without a hearing
- Rule A2 is amended by Notice of Race para 10 Scoring

2. ADVERTISING

The Regatta is classified as a Category A event in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20 Advertising Code.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRIES

3.1 The regatta is open to:

- a) All Off-The-Beach yachts and sailboards with a YV yardstick. All boats must comply with their current class rules.
- b) Helmspersons and crew must be:
 - Under 19 years of age at 1/1/2009
 - Members of a YV affiliated club, or whose school is a member of a YV affiliated club.
- c) To be eligible for school trophies, both helmsperson and crew must be enrolled at the school in 2009.

3.2 Eligible boats must enter on the 2009 Boat Entry Form, along with the entry fee, which shall be lodged with:

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no later than 1700 hours on Thursday 3th December 2009 to be eligible for the Early Bird Entry Fee.

3.3 Late entries may be accepted at Elwood Sailing Club until the close of registration at 1200 hours on Saturday 5th December 2009. An additional fee of \$10 will be charged for all entries received after 1700 hours on the 3th December, 2009.

3.4 Individual entries are encouraged and are eligible for the individual trophies (see para 13).

3.5 Insurance Cover.

All boats competing in the Regatta shall have Third Party Liability insurance cover of not less than \$1,000,000 for any accident. All owners/competitors who sign the entry form are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover. Competitors may be required to produce evidence of such insurance cover and any competitor failing to do so shall withdraw their entry.

4. CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

4.1 All competitors whilst on the water shall wear Personal Flotation Devices in accordance with YA Special Regulations Part 2, R1.

4.2 The Elwood Sailing Club Inc. is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.

4.3 The Elwood Sailing Club Inc. reserves the right to refuse an entry.

5. FEES

5.1 A non-refundable Early Bird Entry Fee of \$30 per boat (Single Handed boats) or \$40 per boat (Crewed boats).

5.2 A non-refundable additional fee of \$10 per boat is applicable for all late entries.

5.3 These fees shall be remitted to Elwood Sailing Club with entry forms. Entries not accompanied by the entry fee will NOT be accepted.

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday 5th December

Registration 1000 hours - 1200 hours Information session 1200 hours Race 1 Warning Signal 1255 hours Race 2 Warning Signal as soon as practical after Race 1 Race 3 Warning Signal as soon as practical after Race 2 Race 4 Warning Signal as soon as practical after Race 3

Sunday 6th December

Race 5 Warning Signal 0955 hours Race 6 Warning Signal as soon as practical after Race 5 Race 7 Warning Signal as soon as practical after Race 6 Race 8 Warning Signal as soon as practical after Race **7**

There are no provisions for resails.

7. MEASUREMENT

Each boat shall hold a valid measurement certificate as per class rules, where applicable.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available from the registration desk at Elwood Sailing Club after 1000 hours on Saturday 5th December.

9. COURSES

9.1 The racing area will be on the waters of Port Phillip Bay in the vicinity of Elwood Sailing Club, which is situated on the Elwood foreshore (adjacent to a public car park), approximately 8 km south of the city of Melbourne (Melway ref: 67 B4).

9.2 Courses will be around laid marks and of short duration as described in the Sailing Instructions.

10. SCORING

10.1 The Low Point Scoring System in Appendix A will apply. The Regatta will consist of eight races over two days. When 6 - 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. When 5 or less races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. The minimum number of races to constitute the series will be 3.

10.2 For the Schools Team trophies, all boats will have an "average corrected lap time" calculated by applying their Yardstick to calculate the corrected race time and dividing by the Course Length Factor.

The Course Length Factor is calculated by dividing the length of the longest course by the length of the course sailed. The Mixed Classes Correction Factor will also be applied.

The best three finishing places for each race will count towards each school's team score. If a school has fewer than three finishers, the team will be scored with the appropriate number of "DNF" results for that race.

11. SUPPORT BOATS

- a) Unless directed by the Race Committee and or Umpires/Jury, or to render immediate assistance in the interests of safety, team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall not enter the Area of the trapezium defined by the course marks whilst boats are racing, as defined in the Sailing Instructions and shall stay more than 50 metres clear of any mark of the course from the time of the preparatory signal for the first flight to start until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- c) Any interference by a coach or coach/support boat with the racing or event organization may result in a penalty applied to the appropriate skipper or team.
- e) All coach/support boats must comply with the ESC Special Notice of Requirements for Coach/Support Boats and complete the Coach Boat Agreement form *Attachment A*.

12. JUDGING

On-water judging will be a part of the regatta. Judges may award penalties for failure to correctly observe the Rules. These penalties will replace any other penalty that the Rules may prescribe for a particular breach of the Rules.

13. TROPHIES

Trophies will be awarded at a presentation ceremony to be held as soon as possible after the last race for the following:

Overall School Team Champions (Shield and Trophy). Divisional Champions Encouragement Awards

14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors who participate in Elwood Sailing Club Inc. races do so entirely at their own risk and responsibility. Attention is drawn to Fundamental Rule 4 Decision to Race, which states "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone". The organising authority and host sailing club (Elwood Sailing Club), its officers, members, servants and agents accept no liability with respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of their participation or intended participation in the event or how so ever arising in connection with the event.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information go to Elwood Sailing Club website at: **www.elwoodsc.com**

Or contact the Organising Officer, Tim Dorning via email: tdorning@stmichaels.vic.edu.au

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