

# **ELWOOD SAILING CLUB Inc.**

## **SEASON 2016-2017**

### **NOTICE OF RACE (NOR)**

#### **1. EVENTS**

Club races for the Summer season will be held from September 2016 to April 2017 inclusive, as set out in the Sailing Program published on the Elwood Sailing Club website. The organizing authority is Elwood Sailing Club Incorporated.

#### **2. RULES**

Races will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the Yachting Australia (Australian Sailing) prescriptions there to, including Special Regulations Part 2 for off- the- beach boats. RRS 2017-2020 will be applied from 1 January 2017.

#### **3. ALTERATIONS OF RACING RULES**

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

Rule 44.2 when applied to catamaran classes requires one turn only; rule 49.1 is amended by the applicable class rules where they permit the use of additional devices; rule 63.1 is amended by NOR para 7.4 and by Sailing Instructions (SI) paras 2.7, 14.2 and 18; rule A2 is amended by the scoring system set out in Section 13; rule 26 has been changed as in the SI para 11.4.

#### **4. ADVERTISING**

Advertising carried shall be in accordance with rule 80.

#### **5. ELIGIBILITY**

5.1 All off-the-beach boats are eligible to take part in Elwood Sailing Club events, subject to NOR section 7.

Boats within a Class will be assigned the YV yardstick where available for the sail and/or crew combination and may be subject to measurement checks under NOR Section 8. Boats that do not meet Class measurement rules may be scored in the Miscellaneous category using a yardstick assigned by the Elwood Sailing Club Inc.

5.2 Boats failing to carry sail numbers as prescribed in race rules Appendix G shall carry a number allotted by the Elwood Sailing Club Inc.

5.3 Boats intending to use a sail having a number or mark that differs from the sail number or mark for that boat on the club register, shall notify the Race Control Centre in writing before starting.

#### **6. REGISTRATION**

Member's boats will be registered at the time of membership renewal and payment of racing fee. A boat may be registered to more than one skipper upon payment of additional race fees. Skippers may have more than one class of boat, but must register the additional boat class by the payment of additional race fees. Any subsequent changes in particulars are to be notified to the Club Manager within 7 days.

#### **7. ENTRIES**

7.1 Entries will be accepted on the day of the race from Members and Visitors.

7.2 Members shall enter by completing the following 3 requirements for race entry:

1. place their club race card in the Race Entry box and
2. complete the entry details on the Sign On/Sign Off sheet and

3. on the water, a boat intending to race shall hail the committee vessel prior to the start sequence of the boat's first start of the racing session. The committee vessel will signal acceptance of the boat's hail. The boat shall repeat the process until it observes acceptance by the committee vessel.

7.3 Visitors shall enter by writing their entry particulars on the envelopes provided, enclosing the racing fee of \$6.00 and placing it in the Race Entry box, and completing steps 2 and 3 in NOR 7.2. Visitors are not entitled to score points for any Club trophies, excluding special prizes. Visitors may enter races on a maximum of six Club Calendar racing days, excluding regattas for which they have paid a separate entry fee.

7.4 Failure to enter as described above will result in disqualification without a hearing from that event. This amends rule 63.1.

7.5 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.

7.6 Members and visitors are required to have minimum of \$10M third party insurance cover, and the policy may be sighted by a member of the General Committee.

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

## **8. MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

Class representatives may conduct measurement checks on boats in their class at any time during the season to verify compliance with Class Association rules. In addition, the Race Officer may also carry out checks as to compliance with YA Special Regulations, Addendum 'A', Part 2. Any alleged failure to comply with the rules will be dealt with by protest.

## **9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing Instructions will be available at the club by the first race of the season.

## **10. RACING AREA**

The racing area will be off Elwood beach between Point Ormond and the Brighton breakwater. Attention is drawn to the no boating zone and speed restriction zones regulated by civil authorities.

## **11. COURSES**

Courses will be as described in the Sailing Instructions, which may be modified temporarily for special events, using RRS procedures.

## **12. TWO-TURNS PENALTY**

The Two Turns Penalty when applied to catamaran classes will require one turn only. This amends rule 44.2.

## **13. SCORING SYSTEM**

13.1 The Low Point scoring system RRS A2 will apply with the following amendments:

Rule A1. The races scheduled are set out in the NOR Attachment "A".

Rule A2. This rule is replaced with the following:

Each boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores and duty attendance scores, excluding her worst scores in accordance with paragraph 14. The boat with the lowest series score wins and the others shall be ranked accordingly.' Rule A4.2 is replaced by rule A9, with the words 'entered in the series' replaced by 'on the class register on the day of the race'.

13.2 For all events, a lone boat in her class that comes to the starting area will be eligible to score points.

13.3 Boat skippers and crews rostered for duty shall report to the Race Officer by 1130hr on their duty day. At the end of the specific series in which the rostered duty took place, for each race for which they performed duty they will be allocated 2 points for the relevant series.

Casual duty days performed in addition to rostered days will be awarded points equal to Did Not Start points for the races held that day unless recorded by a Flag Officer that the day will be assigned as a rostered duty day. If a skipper and crew do not report on time when rostered for duty, their boat will be given a score for that day equal to the number of boats in their class on the club register plus 5. This score will not be discardable. To avoid the penalty score, the skipper's attendance must be recorded in the Duty Roster book and witnessed by the Race Officer.

13.4 In the event of the replacement of a boat during the season, the owner may on application to the Race Committee, be permitted to continue the points scored to that time, provided that the boat is the same class as the previous boat and at all times complies with the rules as per paragraph 2.

13.5 A boat not sailed by its nominated skipper will be allocated DNC.

13.6 Visitors' finishing positions are disregarded in the calculation of point scores.

## **14. PRIZES**

### **14.1 Champion of Champions Trophy**

This trophy will be awarded to the sponsored class boat having the highest score in the club, after application of the formula 'number of first places in the season in its class, times the square root of the average number of starters in its class'. Events to count in this calculation are the Class Championships, Commodores Trophy and Vice-Commodores Trophy.

### **14.2 Class Champions Trophy**

These awards are for boats in each of the club's sponsored classes having the lowest total score from the races nominated as counting for this award, after discarding each boat's worst score when 6 or 7 races are held, or two worst scores if 8 or 9 races are held, or four worst scores if 10 or more races are held. The winners will be listed on the honour board and will receive a trophy.

**14.3 Class Champions, Commodores, Vice-Commodores, Rear-Commodores,**  
Prizes to be awarded in each class at the discretion of the Race Committee

#### **(a) Commodores Awards for Line Honours**

These awards are for boats in each of the club's sponsored classes who have the lowest total scores for line honours in club races nominated as counting for this award, after discarding each boat's two worst scores when 6 or 7 races are held, or three worst scores if 8 or 9 races are held, or four worst scores if 10 or more races are held

#### **(b) Vice-Commodores Awards for Line Honours**

These awards are for boats in each of the club's sponsored classes who have the lowest total scores for line honours in club races nominated as counting for this award, after discarding each boat's two worst scores when 6 or 7 races are held, or three worst scores if 8 or 9 races are held, or four worst scores if 10 or more races are held

#### **(c) Rear-Commodores Awards for Aggregate Handicap Honours (full season)**

These awards are for boats, excluding those who win an award in any of the above categories, in each of the club's sponsored classes who have the lowest total scores calculated on handicaps in races held for the Class Championship, Commodores Trophy, and Vice-Commodores Trophy races after discarding each boat's worst scores of the series. For each class the number of discards will be equal to 25% (rounded to the nearest whole number) of the total number of races sailed.

**(d) Miscellaneous Class Awards for Aggregate Handicap Honours**

These awards are for boats, excluding those who win an award in any of the above categories, in the club's Miscellaneous classes who have the lowest total scores calculated on Yachting Victoria Yardstick ratings, in races held for the Class Championship, Commodores Trophy, and Vice-Commodores Trophy after discarding each boat's worst scores of the series. For each class the number of discards will be equal to 25% (rounded to the nearest whole number) of the total number of races sailed.

**(e) Special Racing Day Prizes**

These prizes will be awarded on the occasion of the individual racing day event, at the discretion of the Sailing Committee.

**(f) Bill MacNamara Trophy – Perpetual Trophy**

A special award is made for this trophy, based on the yacht's club handicap.

**(g) John Pyers Trophy – Perpetual Trophy**

For International A Class Catamarans – For the boat that scores the maximum points from the formula –

Total number of First places in all ESC club races x (number of races sailed + rostered duty days performed) calculated over the race season

14.4 Non-members will be ineligible to receive a trophy, but may receive a Special Racing Day prize.

**15. 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 Elwood Sailing Club will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, or prior to, during, or after races.