

Notice Of Race

Top Of The Bay Interclub Challenge 2017 Saturday 4th February 2017

Participating Clubs: Albert Park Yacht Club
 Albert Sailing Club
 Altona Yacht Club
 Elwood Sailing Club
 Port Melbourne Yacht Club
 Williamstown Sailing Club

The organising authority and host club is the Elwood Sailing Club Inc.

1. Rules

Races will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Yachting Australia Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020, and by the Yachting Australia Prescriptions and Special Regulations Part 2 2017-2020.

The racing rules will be modified in accordance with rule 86 as follows; rule 44 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 A2 is amended by the scoring system set out in para. 21; in the sailing instructions rule A4 is changed by 11.4 and rule 29.2 is changed by 11.6. Any discrepancy noted between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will prevail.

2. Advertising

Advertising carried shall be in accordance with rule 80.

3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all classes with an official 2016 YA yardstick or converted CBH that are on the register of one of the Participating Clubs.
- 3.2 Boats shall be entered by a member of a Participating Club and shall have a Person in Charge who is a member of a Participating Club. This changes rule 46 and 75.
- 3.3 No entry fees apply for yachts from the participating clubs.
- 3.4 Eligible boats may enter on the correct form in one of 3 ways
 - a). lodged at the respective clubs no later than Wednesday 1st February 2017
 - b). faxed or emailed to ESC race office by any of the participating clubs stating; club sail number, class, division and skipper will be accepted from Participating Clubs prior to 1230 hrs on race day.
Elwood Sailing Club email manager@elwoodsc.com
 - c). enter at ESC entry desk between 1030 and 1230hours on race day.
- 3.5 Non eligible boats may be permitted to race on the payment of a race fee of \$10.00 and will be recognised as an entrant but will not be included in any of the Participating Clubs' team score.

- 3.6 All yachts shall have third party insurance cover of not less than \$10,000,000 for any accident. All owners/competitors who sign the entry form are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover. Owners/competitors not holding this cover shall withdraw their entry.

4. Schedule of Events

Saturday 4th February 2017. First Warning Signal no earlier than 1400 hours.

The intention is that subsequent divisions will follow at 5 minute intervals but signals from the official start boat will prevail.

5. Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available on the day at the entry desk at the Elwood SC, or on the website elwoodsc.com in the week prior to the event.

6. Racing Area

The sailing will be conducted on the waters in front of Elwood Sailing Club.

7. Courses

The courses to be sailed will be multiple roundings of a common course geometry. The details of the courses will be in the Sailing Instructions.

8. Scoring

- 8.1 Each boat's elapsed time will be corrected by the YA Yardstick or converted CBH to give its corrected time.
- 8.2 Each boat's corrected time will be reduced to one standard triangle giving its Average Corrected Time (ACT) per triangle.
- 8.3 A Multihull Correction Factor (MCF) will be arrived at by dividing the sum of the 6 lowest ACTs for monohulls by the sum of the 6 lowest ACTs for multihulls.
- 8.4 The ACT for each multihull will then be corrected by multiplying it by the calculated MCF.
- 8.5 A boat that has submitted an entry for the race, but does not start (DNS), will not be counted as an entrant when determining its Club's score.
- 8.6 A boat which starts, but does not finish (DNF), or a boat which finishes but retires after finishing, will be allocated an ACT equal to the highest ACT of any boat classed as a finisher, and will be counted as an entrant when determining its Club's score.
- 8.7 Any boat which is disqualified, will be allocated an ACT ten percent greater than that of the highest ACT of any boat classed as a finisher, and will be counted as an entrant when determining its Club's score. A boat disqualified under rule 2, Fair Sailing, rule 3, Acceptance Of The Rules, and rule 42, Propulsion, shall have its result counted as part of its Club's score under 8.8 and 8.9.
- 8.8 The results to be counted in each Club's score will comprise the greater of 10 results or 75% of that Club's results TO NEAREST WHOLE NUMBER UPWARDS. A minimum of 10 results are necessary to be eligible for the trophy.

8.9 Each Club's score will be calculated as the average of the lowest corrected ACT's for those results to be counted.

9. Prizes

The event is an annual challenge between clubs at the top of Port Phillip and is held in accordance with the Trust Deed. A trophy will be presented to the winning club team after completion of the event, to be held by that Club until the next challenge.

10. Further Information

For further information on the event contact:

Elwood Sailing Club Rear Commodore Mike Wold or Club Manager Amanda Innes..

An information session for all participants will be held on the upper level of the Elwood Sailing Club at 1230 hours on Saturday 4th February 2017.

Elwood Sailing Club's canteen will be open all day for lunch, drinks and snacks, and after the race the bar and barbecue will be available to enjoy a quiet sunset at Elwood's best address.

Boats may be unloaded on the lawn areas adjacent to Elwood SC clubhouse and trailers may be stored as directed by a parking marshall. Boats may be rigged on the lawns or sandy beach areas.

Entry to the unloading area is from the second row of the public carpark. Drive anticlockwise around the rear of the yacht club to end at the southern end of the yacht club to unload your boat.

Cars are to be removed from the club grounds as soon as possible and may be parked in the adjacent paid public parking area or in adjacent streets. (Free parking on Ormond Esplanade after 10am). Vehicles with a current City Of Port Phillip Foreshore parking permit need pay no fee.

11. Safety Notice

Give way to all pedestrians etc on the walking track.

Keep sails away from the overhead light fittings – they are sharp.

Do not obstruct or block driveways.

Place any litter in bins provided

Rigging, washing and storage of boats to be in designated areas only.

Pets not permitted in the club buildings at any time.

Alcohol may only be consumed within the top floor area of the clubhouse and the balcony.

There is a no-boating area to the south of the clubhouse.

There are some rocks in the water immediately north of the breakwater and concrete ramp.