Australian Formula 18 Association

Victorian State Championships

7-9 March 2015



Elwood Sailing Club.

NOTICE OF RACE

1 **RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The Equipment Rules of Sailing will apply.

Racing rule(s) will be changed as follows:

- 1.3 Rule 32.2, shortened course definition,
 - Rule 44.1, two turns penalty.
 - Rule 40, Personal Flotation Devices,
 - Rule 26 Starting races.

The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

1.4 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2 **ADVERTISING**

- 2.1 Advertising will be restricted to Category A.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Formula 18 class(es) who are members of the Australian F18 Association or an international F18 Association.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and sending it to:

F18 Catamaran Association Victoria, 18 Plummer Avenue, Frankston 3199

or email entry form to brookes.jeremy@gmail.com

Payments should be made to 'Victorian Formula 18 Catamaran Association', ANZ, BSB 013322, Account 195679737. <u>Please insert your sail number as the payment reference.</u>

Closing date for entries 28 February 2015

3.3 Late entries will be accepted under the following conditions. Eligible boats may enter as a late entry on the day of the first scheduled race up to 1100hr and must be made by way of cash payment in full including a late entry fee.

4 FEES

4.1 Entry fee is as follows: \$100. A late entry fee of \$20 will apply.

4.2 Other fees:

Dinner on Saturday night by ticket only; \$20 per person paid with entry, drinks available from bar at Elwood SC member prices (no BYO licence)

Lunches available from club canteen

Car parking is available in the adjacent foreshore carpark. Council fees apply. Short term only trailer drop off in club vicinity. Boat and trailer overnight storage in fenced rigging area provided. Boat tie down required.

5 SCHEDULE

5.1 Registration:

At Elwood SC, Saturday 7 March 2015

From 0900hr to 1100hr

An information session will be held at 1130hr

Measurement and inspection must be completed prior to the event. The Race Officer may request a measurement certificate at any time. Enquires regarding measurement should be directed to Jeremy Brookes via email (brookes.jeremy@gmail.com)

5.3 Dates of racing:

7 March 2015	racing session 1
8 March 2015	racing session 2
9 March 2015	racing session 3

5.4 Number of races:

A minimum of 3 races are required to constitue a series. A maximum of 11 races can be sailed. Up to 4 races can be sailed back to back.

5.5 Scheduled times of race sessions:

Racing session 1 (Saturday 7 March) 1^{st} warning signal not before 1300hr, last permitted warning signal 1600hr.

Racing Session 2 (Sunday 8 March) 1st warning signal not before 1000hr, last permitted warning signal 1600hr.

Racing session 3 (Monday 9 March) 1st warning signal not before 1000hr, last permitted warning signal 1230hr.

6 MEASUREMENTS

Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate at the request of the Race Officer.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available after 9am on Saturday 7 March 2015.

8 VENUE

8.1 Elwood Sailing Club

Ormond Esplanade, Elwood.



9 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be as per the regatta noticeboard.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

- **10.1** Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- **10.2** Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in rule 70.5.

11 SCORING

- **11.1** The Bonus Point System of Appendix A will apply.
- **11.2** Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- **11.3** (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When from 5 to 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - (c) When 9 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

12 SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats shall clearly identify themselves with the Race Officer prior to entering the course area.

13 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.

14 PRIZES

Prizes will be given at the discretion of the organising authority.

15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, 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.

16 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD10Million or equivalent per event.

17 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact Jeremy Brookes: 0477 137 887 or brookes.jeremy@gmail.com

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Entries can be posted with payment by cheque to "F18 Catamaran Association Victoria", 18 Plummer Avenue, Frankston 3199.

Completed entry forms can also be emailed to brookes.jeremy@gmail.com
F18 Association bank account details for EFT payments will be emailed to all registered entrants at the end of January 2015.

Closing date for entries 28 February 2015

Competitors Declaration:

I agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS 2013-2016), the prescriptions of Yachting Australia, including Addendum A Part 2 (small boat safety) and the rules and by-laws of the ISAF (except any change made by the Sailing Instructions).

I confirm that valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of **AUD 10,000,000** is in effect for the boat hereby entered in this Regatta.

Conditions of Entry

I acknowledge and agree that:

- 1. In this Event application and declaration: "Club" means and includes: Elwood Sailing Club and its directors, officers, members, servants or agents. "Claim" means and includes any action, proceeding, claim, demand, damage or expense however arising including but not limited to negligence but does not include a claim in respect of any action, suit etc made by any person entitled to compensation under a relevant Club insurance policy or under any right expressly conferred by the Club constitution.
- 2. **If accepted I will be permitted** to participate in the Event subject to my complying with the terms and conditions of the Event, this declaration and any reasonable direction issued by the Event organisers or their representatives.
- **3. The Event rules & this declaration** comprise a contract between me and the Club and are necessary and reasonable to promote and conduct the Event. I also agree to abide by the rules and policies of Yachting Australia (copies of which are available from Yachting Australia), and be subject to the jurisdiction of Yachting Australia in relation to the application and enforcement of such rules and policies. I agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and by all other rules that govern the event and I acknowledge that rule 4 Decision to Race places the sole responsibility for deciding whether or not to start or continue racing on the boat.
- **4. Warning:** Participation in the Event can be inherently dangerous. I acknowledge that I am exposed to certain risks during my participation in the Event including, but not limited to, physical exertion and injury, bodily contact, falls, equipment failure and unpredictable weather conditions. I acknowledge that accidents can and often do happen which may result in me being injured or even killed, or my property being damaged. I have voluntarily read and understood this warning and accept and assume the inherent risks in participating in the Event.

5. WARNING UNDER THE FAIR TRADING ACT 1999

Under the provisions of the **Fair Trading Act 1999** several conditions are implied into contracts for the supply of certain goods and services. These conditions mean that the supplier named on this form is required to ensure that the recreational services it supplies to you are:

· rendered with due care and skill; and

- as fit for the purpose for which they are commonly bought as it is reasonable to expect in the circumstances; and
- reasonably fit for any particular purpose or might reasonably be expected to achieve any result you have made known to the supplier.

Under section 32N of the **Fair Trading Act 1999**, the supplier is entitled to ask you to agree that these conditions do not apply to you. If you sign this form, you will be agreeing that your rights to sue the supplier under the **Fair Trading Act 1999** if you are killed or injured because the services were not rendered with due care and skill or they were not reasonably fit for their purpose, are excluded, restricted or modified in the way set out in this form.

NOTE: The change to your rights, as set out in this form, does not apply if your death or injury is due to gross negligence on the supplier's part. "Gross negligence" is defined in the Fair Trading (Recreational Services) Regulations 2004.

For the purposes of this clause 5, "the Supplier" shall mean and include the Club.

- 6. **Exclusion of Implied Terms:** I acknowledge that where I am a consumer of recreational services, as defined by any relevant law, certain terms and rights usually implied into a contract for the supply of goods or services may be excluded. I acknowledge that these implied terms and rights and any liability of the Club flowing from them, are expressly excluded to the extent possible by law, by this Event application declaration. To the extent of any liability arising, the liability of the Club will, at its discretion be limited to the resupply of the services or payment of the cost of having the services supplied again.
- 7 **Release and Indemnity:** In consideration of the Club accepting my application for entry to the Event I, to the full extent permitted by law:
- (a) release and will release the Club from all Claims that I may have or may have had but for this release arising from or in connection with my participation in the Event; and
- (b) indemnify and will keep indemnified the Club in respect of any Claim by any person including but not only another participant in the Event arising as a result of or in connection with my participation in the Event.
- Fitness to Participate: I declare that I am and must continue to be medically and physically fit and able to participate in the Event. I will immediately notify the Club in writing of any change to my fitness and ability to participate. I understand and accept that the Club will continue to rely upon this declaration as evidence of my fitness and ability to participate.
- 9 **Consent to medical treatment:** If required, the Club will arrange medical or hospital treatment (including ambulance transportation) for me. I authorise such actions being taken by the Club where my further consent cannot be obtained and agree to meet all costs associated with such action.
- Privacy: I understand that the information I have provided is necessary for the conduct of the Event and for the Objects of the Club. I acknowledge and agree that the information will only be used by the Club to facilitate the conduct of the Event and other events conducted by the Club. I understand that I will be able to access my information through the Club. If the information is not provided my Event entry application may be rejected.
- Copyright and right to use image: I acknowledge and consent to photographs being taken of me during my participation in the Event and authorise the Club to use such photographs for promotional or other purposes without my further consent being obtained. Further, I consent to the Club using my name, image, likeness and also my performance in the Event, at any time, to promote the Event or Club activities by any form of media.

Severance: If any provision of this declaration is invalid or unenforceable in any jurisdiction, the phrase or clause is to be read down for the purpose of that jurisdiction, if possible, so as to be valid and enforceable. If the phrase or clause cannot be so read down it will be severed to the extent of the invalidity or unenforceability. Such severance does not affect the remaining provisions of this membership declaration or affect the validity or enforceability of it in any other jurisdiction.

13. I warrant that my boat complies with the safety prescriptions of Yachting Australia Inc and Yachting Victoria Inc. and that it my responsibility to ensure all equipment required under these prescriptions and my declared safety category are operational at all times.
I have read, understood, acknowledge and agree to the above declaration including the warning, exclusion of implied terms, release and indemnity. I warrant that all information provided in my Event application is true and correct. I acknowledge that this Event application declaration cannot be amended. If I do amend it my application will be null and void.
Signed:
Name: Date:
Where the applicant is under 18 years of age this form must also be signed by the applicant's parent or legal guardian.
I, am the parent or guardian of the applicant. I expressly authorise and consent to the applicant participating in the Event. In consideration of the applicant's participation in the event being accepted, I expressly agree to accept, in my capacity as parent or guardian, the terms set out in this Event application and declaration including the provision by me of a release and indemnity in the terms set out above.
Parent's Signature: (where applicant under 18 y.o)
Name:
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