



The Geelong Yacht Club's

OCEAN RACE

Port Phillip Heads to Tamar Heads

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The "Rudder" Cup Valued at Sixty Guineas

Presented by

THOMAS FLEMING DAY, ESQ., of New York, U.S.A.

Starting Boxing Day, December 26, 1907.

From Port Phillip Heads. Finishing Tamar Heads. (Additional Particulars will be issued later).

PRIZES.

FIRST PRIZE:—The "Rudder" Cup, value 60 Guineas, presented by Thomas Fleming Day, Esq SECOND PRIZE:—£10.

Three Starters or no Race. Five Starters or no 2nd Prize.

CONDITIONS.

The race is open to cruising-sailing boats belonging to any organized yacht club in the Commonwealth, not measuring more than sixty feet over all. Any rig.

Boat to enter must be a bona-fide cruising vessel, having full deck, water-tight cockpit, and of substantial construction and rig. Yachts built to any special racing class, or that are used solely for racing, or yachts having bulb keel or metal fin which is not an integral portion of the hull, are barred.

Crew, Amateurs. Corinthian Helmsman. Yachts under 12 tons may carry two paid hands, over 12 tons three paid hands.

Boats must carry stores and water sufficient for eight days. Not less than one half-gallon per day per man of water to be carried. This may be carried in tanks or breakers at the captain's option.

All Yachts must carry a number (which will be alloted to them) on a conspicuous part of mainsail.

ENTRIES CLOSE Friday, December 20th, with the Hon. Secretary G.Y.C., and must be accompanied with Measurer's Certificate of over all length.

ENTRY FEE One Guinea.

Rules.—Unless otherwise specified in this notice the Rules of Geelong Yacht Club will apply.

Anchors, chain or hawsers, side-lights and complete cruising outfit must be on board, including two compasses, one for use in binnacle, and a small spare one in reserve; also a life-preserver or ring for each member of the crew.

Boats must carry or tow a dinghey of not less than 8 feet long, canvas and collapsible dingheys not allowed.

No restrictions as to light sails carried, but the lower canvas must be that used by the yacht when cruising.

Towing by rowing dinghey and rowing with sweeps in case of danger will be permitted.

The shifting of weight fore and aft to trim the vessel will be allowed, but no weight in the form of ballast or stores must be jettisoned except as a measure of safety.

Before starting the committee will inspect each yacht and decide as to its right to participate in the race. All entries are accepted conditional to this inspection.

Before starting the captain of yacht must satisfy the committee that he has on board charts, compasses, leadline, lights and proper sailing directions, also a log-book which must be kept with hourly entries and handed in at completion of race. The committee reserves the right to postpone this race should they consider weather conditions unfavourable.

The committee reserves the right to refuse the entry of any boat that they do not consider a bona-fide cruising craft, or that is in their judgment unseaworthy or otherwise unfit to make the race. As the spirit of this race is to encourage genuine cruisers, Cup defenders and acknowledged racers are barred.

Measurement for computing allowance will be the length of the boat over all, i.e., the length on deck from the fore-side of the stem to the after-side of the stern-board or transom. Fractions of six inches to count as a half foot.

Allowance per foot 22½ minutes. No allowance for difference of rig.

Entry blanks may be had by applying to Walter Wiggs, Hon. Secretary, Geelong Yacht Club, or the Hon. Secretaries of Tamar Yacht Club, Launceston, and The Derwent Yacht Club, Hobart.

Protests.—Verbal notice of protest must be made to the Acting Committee, or the Officer in Charge, I hour after finishing, and be followed in 3 hours by a written statement signed by owner or representative, of the facts on which the protest is based.

THE COMMITTEE,

GEELONG YACHT CLUB,

Club House, Eastern Beach,

Geelong.