



RGYC 2017-2018

Bravo (Off the Beach) Course Season

NOTICE OF RACE

The Royal Geelong Yacht Club Inc. (RGYC), as the Organizing Authority, invites owners of Off the Beach (OTB) boats to enter the RGYC races conducted on Corio Bay from 1st October 2017 to 23rd September 2018.

1. Rules

- 1.1 Races will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and the Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS), Part 2 for OTB boats.
- 1.2 The Sailing Instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be on the official notice board located adjacent to the Off the Beach storage sheds, and available on the [RGYC website](#) prior to the first race.

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 Eligible boats shall enter and pay applicable fees electronically only, through the RGYC web site, available from Saturday 10th September. [ENTER HERE](#).
- 2.2 For boats entered in the season aggregates, the following conditions shall apply: -
 - (a) All competitors (other than visitors) must be financial members of the RGYC.
 - (b) International Cadet competitors shall have passed an approved swim and capsize-recovery test. The boat shall have passed a buoyancy test as required in the class rules.
 - (e) Optimist competitors shall have passed an approved swim and capsize-recovery test.
 - (f) Boats shall be on the RGYC Vessel Register.
 - (g) Accumulation of series points commences when the application to place a boat on the RGYC Boat Register is lodged.
 - (h) Competitors shall hold an Australian Sailing membership.
 - (i) The following documentation for boats on the RGYC Club register shall be completed and audited by an accredited auditor, and either uploaded to the entry page, or lodged at the RGYC Office prior to competing: [AS Special Regulations Part 2 Equipment audit form for Off the Beach Boats](#)



2.3 Int. Cadet Class and Int. Optimist Class Red and Blue Division Entrants.

- a) Int. Cadet Class & Int. Optimist Class boats helmed by first year skippers will be allocated to Red division
- b) Int. Cadet Class & Int. Optimist Class boats may be allocated to either Blue or Red Division at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- c) A list of Blue and Red division entrants will be posted on the official notice board prior to the first race of the series.

2.4 Int. Laser Class Series

The Laser Class series will be as listed on the RGYC Sailing Calendar for the Mixed OTB Class, with the deletion of scheduled racing on 7th October 2017, and the 4th November 2017.

2.5 Visiting boats:

- (a) Visiting sailors from AS affiliated clubs require Club day membership, which is at no cost for the first 3 visits and \$15 for visits 3-6, for each sailor. Additionally, for kindred club members as listed in the [Club Day Membership Policy](#) on the Club website, there is no limit to how many can be purchased for \$15.
- (b) Casual entries must be delivered to the RGYC office prior to 12:00 hrs on the day of racing.
- (c) Casual entrants are required to pay a daily race fee of \$20.
- (d) Casual entries will be ineligible for any special trophies or series points but may be eligible for any "prize-of-the-day" at the discretion of the Organising Authority.
- (e) The following documentation for visiting boats shall be lodged at the RGYC Office prior to competing: -
 - Off the beach Casual entry form (which includes parental permission if applicable)
 - Current Insurance certificate with racing risk insurance.

Copies of the Casual Entry form are available on the [Club website](#) or from the RGYC office.

2.6 Entry cancellation and refund.

If written cancellation of entry is received prior to the first race, the whole fee, minus a \$20 administration charge, will be refunded.



3. Fees

Class	Series Entry
All race series Block - Senior Incl. Summer Aggregate, Twilight & Winter series	\$220
All race series Block - Cadet, Optimist, Youth Misc. (under 25) Incl. Summer Aggregate, Twilight & Winter series	\$130
Summer Aggregate series - Senior	\$190
Summer Aggregate series - Cadet, Optimist, Youth Misc. (under 25)	\$108
Twilight series – Senior, Cadet, Optimist, Youth misc.	\$20
Winter series – Senior, Cadet, Optimist, Youth misc.	\$40

4. Schedule

Races are scheduled as per the Sailing Program on the [Club website](#).

5. Measurement

Boat-owners may be required to produce a valid measurement certificate.

6. Scoring

- 6.1 Eight (8) Races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 6.2
 - a) When fewer than twelve (12) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - b) When twelve (12) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst 20% of scores which will be discarded.

7. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in this series entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4. "Decision to Race". The organising 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 series.

8. Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000, with racing risk, per incident or the equivalent.

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