



Grand Final 2018 Special Keel Boat Race

Notice of Race

The Royal Geelong Yacht Club Inc.(RGYC) as the Organizing Authority invites owners of eligible boats to enter the RGYC Grand-Final Special Keel Boat Race to be held on the waters of Corio Bay on Friday 28th September 2018.

1 RULES

1.1 The race will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the Australian Sailing (AS) Special Regulations Part 1.

1.2 Rule Changes:

The rule changes published in the 2017-2018 season sailing instructions shall apply.

2 A.S. Special Regulations Categories

The race is open to all boats complying with AS category 5 plus VHF radio requirements.

3 Safety Requirements

(a) The safety requirements published in the 2017-2018 season sailing instructions shall apply.

(b) Boats must have registered with the [Yachtsafe website \(Information Available HERE\)](#), and submitted their safety declaration for season 2018-19 prior to racing.

4 Handicap System

The handicap system will be that issued for the Spring Wednesday series. The Race committee reserves the right to allocate an appropriate handicap to a boat that has not previously entered in the Wednesday Spring Series.

5 Commercial Shipping

(a) Port Regulations specify that boats shall not interfere with Commercial Shipping on Port Phillip or Corio Bay. Any boat found to have interfered with commercial shipping shall be disqualified without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1.

(b) The owner or person in charge of a boat found to have impeded the operation of commercial shipping shall be responsible for all obligations resulting from the reported incident.

6 The Sailing Instructions:

These will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and Supplementary Sailing Instructions, available from RGYC Office.

7 Eligibility and Entry

7.1 Racing is open to keel boats on the RGYC Vessel Register. Eligible boats may enter by notifying the RGYC Office no later than 16:00hrs Wednesday 26th Sept 2018.

8 FEES

There is no entry fee.

9 SCHEDULE

The warning signal shall be made no earlier than 13:55hrs 28th Sept 2018

10. THE COURSE

The course will be chosen from the list published in the 2017-2018 season sailing instructions.

11. 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.

12. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10.000.000, including racing endorsement, per incident or the equivalent.

Further inquiries, please contact RGYC Sailing Manager,

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