**Notice Of Race**

**Top of the Bay Interclub Challenge 2018**

**Saturday 3 February 2018**

**Participating Clubs:** Albert Park Yacht Club (APYC)

Albert Sailing Club (ASC)

Altona Yacht Club (AYC)

Elwood Sailing Club (ESC)

Port Melbourne Yacht Club (PMYC)

Williamstown Sailing Club (WSC)

**Organising Authority & Host Club:** Williamstown Sailing Club.

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS), the Yardstick Rules of Yachting Victoria (YV) and the Port of Melbourne Corporation (PoMC) Regulations.

2. ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 The regatta is open to all classes with an official 2017 YV Yardstick or converted CBH that are on the register of one of the Participating Clubs.

3.2 Each competitor shall be a member of a Club affiliated to an MYA and an Australia Sailing Card holder.

3.3 All owners/competitors who submit an entry form are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold sufficient insurance.

3.4 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.

3.5 Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and lodging it either:

a) via email to [vice.commodore@williamstownsailingclub.org.au](mailto:vice.commodore@williamstownsailingclub.org.au) or/

b) in person at WSC on the sign on desk between 10:00 – 12:30 hours on race day.

3.6 Entries close 12:30 hours Sat 3 February 2018. Late entries may be accepted at the sole discretion of the Race Committee.

3.7 Non-eligible boats may race on payment of a race fee and will be recognised as an entrant but will not be included in any Participating Club’s team score.

4. FEES

4.1 The entry fee does not apply for eligible boats from Participating Clubs.

4.2 Non-Eligible boats $10.00

5. SCHEDULE

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| **Date of Racing** | **Number of Races** | **Time of First Warning Signal** |
| 3 February 2018 | 1 | 14:00 |

6. DIVISIONS

Racing will be in separate divisions based on YV Yardstick.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available by 2 February 2018 on the Organising Authority website   
[ [www.williamstownsailingclub.org.au](http://www.williamstownsailingclub.org.au) ] or via links on the Participating Club websites or from the regatta office on the race day.

8. VENUES

8.1 Racing will be conducted on the waters of Hobsons Bay, Port Phillip.

8.2 The Venue and Regatta Office will be the Williamstown Sailing Club, The Strand, Williamstown, Victoria.

9. THE COURSE

9.1 The course to be sailed will be multiple rounding’s of a common course.

9.2 The course details will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

For the Multi-Hull classes only, rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

11. SCORING

11.1 Each boat’s elapsed time will be corrected by the YV Yardstick or converted CBH to give its corrected time.

11.2 Each boat’s corrected time will be reduced to one standard triangle giving its Average Corrected Time (ACT) per triangle.

11.3 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.

11.4 The ACT for each multihull will then be corrected by multiplying it by the calculated MCF.

11.5 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.

11.6 A boat which starts, but does not finish (DNF) or a boat which finishes but retired 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.

11.7 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 11.8 and 11.9.

10.8 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.

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

11. 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.

12. 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.

13. INSURANCE

All competing boats shall carry as a minimum, valid Third Party Liability insurance with racing risk, to the minimum value of $5,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

14. FURTHER INFORMATION

The canteen / bar will be open at WSC.

Trailable Yachts and boats up to 18” (5.5m) can be launched from the boat ramp at WSC.

Boat trailers can be separated from cars and placed on the grassed area adjacent to the boat ramp.

Unrestricted on-street parking is available for cars along The Strand. Two-hour parking restrictions are in effect in other local streets.

A competitor race briefing will be conducted between 12:45 – 13:00 hours on race day.

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