

**YACHTING
VICTORIA**

CLUB MARINE RANGE SERIES***2008-2009***

Incorporating

Club Team Premiership & Class Championship

**NOTICE
OF
RACE**

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The 2008-2009 Club Marine Range Series shall be conducted from 11th Oct. 2008 to 4th Apr. 2009

1.0 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) for the Club Marine Range Series, incorporating the Club Teams Premiership and Class Championship Series shall be Yachting Victoria.

The Participating Clubs shall conduct racing on behalf of the Organising Authority.

The Participating Clubs are:

- Hobson's Bay Yacht Club
- Royal Brighton Yacht Club
- Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron
- Royal Yacht Club of Victoria
- Sandringham Yacht Club

2.0 RULES

2.1 General

The Club Marine Range Series shall be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) current for the host club at the time of their race. (Note: the series spans the introduction of the next RRS).

2.2 Safety Regulations

- 2.2.1 The Yachting Australia Special Regulations Part 1, Sections 1 – 6, Category 6 shall apply. Marine VHF Radios shall be carried. VHF Radios may be permanently installed or a marine waterproof handheld and must be capable of operating on channels 12, 16, 67, 71, and 73.
- 2.2.2 Personal flotation devices are required to be worn at all times by all crew members on boats without fitted lifelines.
- 2.2.3 No anchors shall be carried on deck forward of the stem or with any part outboard.
- 2.2.4 All boats shall lodge with their own club a Safety Compliance Declaration covering the 2008-2009 season before their entry in their first Club Marine Range race.
Boats not complying with this requirement shall not be entered and shall not be eligible for Club Marine Range Series scoring.

2.3 Insurance

All entrants shall carry third party and public liability insurance of not less than AUD\$5 Million valid for all races

3.0 ADVERTISING

- 3.1 The Club Marine Range Series is classified Category C in accordance with RRS 79.
- 3.2 Boats shall, if required by the Organising Authority, display in locations specified any logos, pennants or promotional material as may be supplied.

4.0 ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

Entry is open to boats in AMS, IRC and Performance Handicap (PHD). AMS and IRC boats shall start in their respective Performance Handicap Division.

To be scored in the Club Marine Range Series boats must enter the Host Clubs Race.

4.1 Class Championship

The Class Championship may be scored for the classes listed below if there are at least 3 entries: (No class entries required for the following classes.)

Sydney 38	Division 1
YW Diamonds	Division 2
Adams 10	Division 2
S80	Division 3

Any additional classes that wish to be added must advise the Organising Authority (Keel Boat Committee) before 4th October 2008.

Class boats must sail in the same division.

There must be at least 3 starters for a race to be scored.

4.2 Divisions

There shall be four (4) Divisions, 0 1, 2, 3.

The Divisions shall be defined as follows

Division 0	IRC boats as described in 4.2.4
Division 1	As defined by the YV Performance Handicap Rules.
Division 2	As defined by the YV Performance Handicap Rules.
Division 3	As defined by the YV Performance Handicap Rules.

Group "K" Boats shall sail and be scored as a part of the appropriate Division.

Their Division flag shall be that of the Division in which they are entered.

Racing for this group may be abandoned at the discretion of the Race Officer.

4.2.1 PHD

All performance handicaps shall be as supplied by the official club handicapper at the boat's home club in accordance with the YV Handicap rules. Race Committee reserves the right to revise any handicap during the Series, and to make a changed handicap retrospective. Boat Owners/Skippers are reminded of their obligations under Rule 2 of the Performance Handicap Rules.

4.2.2 AMS

Results shall be calculated where a valid AMS Certificate is issued. Owners are reminded that they must use the sail and weight configuration as outlined in their AMS Certificate.

4.2.3 IRC

Results shall be calculated where a valid Endorsed IRC Certificate is issued. Owners are reminded that they must use the sail and weight configuration as outlined in their IRC Certificate.

The crew number requirements of IRC Rule 27.4.3 shall not apply

Div 0 IRC

As a guide boats in this class shall have an IRC Rating above 1.18 and a design

date later than 2000.

Entry to this division is by application to and acceptance by YV (KBC).

Boats that race in Division 0 may not change back to Division 1 during the series

4.3 Rating Certificate

A copy of a valid Measurement or Rating Certificate (where applicable) as issued by the appropriate Authority, i.e. AMS and IRC, shall be made available upon request by the host club or OA.

4.4 Normal Entries

Entries must be received by the host club before 1200hrs on the Thursday immediately before each race as per the schedule.

4.5 Late Entries

Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the host club and late entry fees may apply.

4.6 Entry Fees

The Entry Fees for each day of racing shall be

- a. \$25 for Divisions 1, 2 and 3 except for day 6 on 21st March when entry fee (KCAB donation) shall be \$30.
- b. \$100 For Division 0 except for day 6 on 21st March when entry fee (KCAB donation) shall be \$ 130.

There shall be no additional entry fees for entering other divisions such as IRC, AMS or Class Championships.

Entry fees shall be paid to the host club.

Acceptance of late entries and late entry fees are at the discretion of the host club.

4.7 Club Teams Premiership Entries

Each club shall advise the Organising Authority of its teams of five IRC and five AMS boats prior to 1200hrs on the Friday immediately before each race as per the schedule (Para 5).

These boats shall be from the AMS and IRC handicap divisions with a maximum of three boats in any one division. Thus a club may have up to 6 representative boats in any one of the 3 starting divisions (Divs 1,2 and3)

The same boat may be entered in both IRC and AMS teams.

Division 0 boats are not eligible for Teams Premiership competition.

4.8 Handicaps

The cut-off dates for all handicaps shall be 1200hrs on the Friday before each race as per the schedule. No changes to handicaps shall be accepted after this time. This changes Rule 78.2

4.8.1 Performance Handicaps must be provided by the home club for each entry before 12:00 hrs on the Friday before the race.

4.8.2 AMS handicaps shall be those validated by the Measurement Authority (YV) and

current at 12:00 hrs on the Friday before the race.

- 4.8.3 IRC handicaps shall be those validated by the Measurement Authority (YA) and current at 12:00hrs on the Friday before the race.

The Race Committee may make corrections to handicaps after 12:00 hrs on the Friday if required.

5.0 SCHEDULE OF RACES

DATE	Day	HOST CLUB	WARNING SIGNAL FOR 1 ST EVENT
11 October 2008	1	RYCV	1125 and 1355 Hours
8 November 2008	2	HBVC	1125 and 1355 Hours
6 December 2008	3	RMYS	1125 and 1355 Hours
7 February 2009	4	SYC	1125 and 1355 Hours
21 February 2009	5	SYC	1125 and 1355 Hours
21 March 2009	6	KCAB/SYC	1125 and 1355 Hours
4 April 2009	7	RBVC	1125 and 1355 Hours

- Note:
1. The 1125 Warning Signal is for Division 0 boats only
 2. Division 0 boats shall sail 2 races on each race day.
 3. Divisions 1,2 and 3 shall sail 1 race per day
 4. Day 6 is also the annual Keeping Cancer at Bay Race.

6.0 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Series Sailing Instructions shall be issued for the Club Marine Range Series. Sailing Instructions will be available from each participating club or Yachting Victoria from late September.

7.0 RACING AREA

The racing area is on the waters of Port Phillip.
Divisions 0 and 1 shall race on separate non overlapping courses to Divisions 2 and 3.

7.1 Division 0 and 1

The course may be to the west of the main shipping channel unless weather conditions dictate a protected or shore based start as defined in the Sailing Instructions.

7.2 Division 2 and 3

The course may be to the east of the main shipping channel unless weather conditions dictate a protected or shore based start as defined in the Sailing Instructions.

8.0 COURSES

Races shall be conducted in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.
The target duration for each race is



- 8.1** Division 0 First Race (1125 warning signal)
105 minutes for the first boat to finish.
- 8.2** All Other Starts (first warning signal 1355)
Two hours for the first boat to finish in each division.

9.0 SCORING

9.1 Club Marine Range Series Division Championship

The Individual Club Marine Range Divisional Championship shall be scored on the Low Points Scoring System (RRS Appendix A) modified as follows:

Where five or less races are completed, each boat's total score shall be the sum of its scores for all races.

When Group "K" racing is abandoned for race 1 or 2, Group "K" boats shall be scored by allocating average points of the next 2 sailed races, rounded up to the nearest 0.1 point.

When Group "K" racing is abandoned for later races, they shall be scored by allocating average points of all races sailed to date, rounded up to the nearest 0.1 point.

Division 0 will have 14 races in their series of which the best 11 results are to count towards the Division 0 Championship.

9.2 Class Championship

Class racing shall be scored within each class fleet based on the finishing places within the class, using the Low Points Scoring System (RRS Appendix A) modified as follows, Where five or less races are completed, each boat's total score shall be the sum of its scores for all races.

There must be a minimum of 3 starters for a Class Championship Race to be scored.

9.3 Club Teams Premiership

The Club Teams Premiership Series shall be scored in accordance the scoring system described in Attachment B.

Team boats may be nominated in Divisions 1, 2 and 3 only.

Competing clubs are to nominate boats as follows

9.3.1 AMS Team

5 boats with valid AMS handicaps

9.3.2 IRC Team

5 boats with valid IRC handicaps

The same boats may be nominated in both AMS and IRC teams

Group "K" boats that are selected as team boats shall not score in the Teams Premiership if their racing is abandoned.

10 Group "K" (in any division):

Each Home Club shall designate its own Group "K" boats that are limited by Class Rules or their design to lighter weather conditions under which they can sail than is normally the case for other keelboats. Group "K" boats may be excluded from racing at the Race Officer's discretion and will be signaled by flying N over K.



Each Home Club shall post on its Notice Board the list of Group "K" boats from its club and this list may also be posted on the YV Club Marine Range Series website. This list shall be posted before 1200 hrs on the Friday before the race.

11 PRIZES

Prizes shall be presented at the Yachting Victoria presentation function. Class Associations may also present trophies for their class/division at this function. Prizes shall be awarded as follows:

The Club Marine Range Trophy shall be engraved with the winners of each of the divisions, and shall reside at the club of the winner of IRC Division 1.

- First place IRC Club Premiership Trophy (Perpetual)
 - First place AMS Club Premiership Trophy (Perpetual)
- First, second and third place in each Handicap System.
- First place in Class Championship
- First place Division 0 IRC.

Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

12 NUMBER OF STARTERS

Four or more Starters shall constitute a Race.

ATTACHMENTS

A INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPATING CLUBS

- a) The participating clubs shall arrange protest hearings in a timely manner as described in the Sailing Instructions.
- b) At least one member of the protest committee should be from the YV Racing Rules Committee.
- c) It shall be a responsibility of the host club to calculate and publish the results for its race, and have provisional race results posted on its website in a timely manner, preferably by 1800 hrs on the race day.

B SCORING SYSTEM FOR CLUB PREMIERSHIP SERIES

- a) Seven races are scheduled of which four are required to constitute a series.
- b) The Scoring System for each race shall be in accordance with the Low Points Scoring System (RRS Appendix A) modified as follows:
 - Each boat is scored as per RRS A4.1 (Low Points System) in its division.
 - The score of each boat is then modified by dividing each score by the number of scoring boats in that division. Thus the last boat in each division shall have a score of 1 point, and other boats shall have scores less than 1.
 - Boats that start but are DNF shall score 1.2 points.
 - Boats that are DNC, DSQ etc shall score 1.4 points.
 - If a Club enters less than a full team of 5 boats then it shall be scored 1.4 points for each boat less than the required 5 boats.
- c) Points on the Low Points Scoring System shall be awarded for each team boat as defined in b) above.
- d) In each race, the team scores shall be the sum of the point scores for 5 boats.
- e) The team scores shall be calculated for both IRC and AMS teams.
- f) The Yachting Victoria IRC Club Premiership Trophy and the Yachting Victoria AMS Club Premiership Trophy shall be awarded to the Club with the lowest total team points score in all completed races in each Division.
- g) Ties shall be decided according to RRS A7 and A8, with the exception that for a Series Tie RRS A8 shall be modified with the team boats being listed in order of best to worst and the winning team being that team with the most first places, or then second places if a tie on first places, and so on.
- h) In the event of any race or two Divisions being abandoned, then all team boats shall score zero points.
- i) In the event of one Division of a race being abandoned, then the boats in that Division shall score average points calculated from the scores of the remaining boats from that club's team in the other two Divisions.

C FURTHER INFORMATION

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