



# The George Mac Regatta

25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> March 2023

To be conducted by Royal Brighton Yacht Club  
and sailed on the waters of Port Phillip

## NOTICE OF RACE

### 1 Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). The Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) shall apply including Part 2 (Off The Beach Boats - OTB).

### 2 Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 The regatta is open to invited OTB classes at the discretion of the Organising Authority (OA).
- 2.2 Online entry <https://rbyc.org.au/george-mac-regatta/>
- 2.3 Classes may be re-allocated to divisions or flights at the discretion of the OA
- 2.4 Classes with sufficient numbers will be given their own division and own start.
- 2.5 Classes that will be sailed:

Classes
Quest
2.4mR
Laser 4.7
Laser Standard
Laser Radial
Aero 5,6,7& 9
RS100

### 3 Fees

- 3.1 Early entry fees (prior to 17:00 17th March 2023) will apply per boat as follows.

	RBYC Members	Non RBYC members
Single person boats	\$50	\$65
Quests	\$70	\$85

- 3.2 Entries may also be accepted after 17:00 17th March 2023 at the discretion of the OA. Such entries will incur an additional fee of \$50 per boat. [Enter](#)

### 4 Schedule

- 4.1 There will be no competitor briefing prior to races commencing.
- 4.2 Presentation will take place in the Members Lounge as soon as possible at the completion of racing.
- 4.3 Daily schedule.

Day	Time	
Friday	09:00 – 19:00	Boats may be dropped-off
Saturday	09:00 – 11:00	Onsite registration
	13:30	Up to 4 back-to-back races

Sunday	12:30	Up to 4 back-to-back races
	1 Hour Post Racing	Presentation in Members Bar
	Post Presentation	Pack up and Visitors' departure

4.4 No warning signal will be made after 1700hrs on Sunday.

## 5 Measurement

- 5.1 Where required by class rules, each boat shall hold a valid measurement certificate.
- 5.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 5.3 Boats may be subject to inspection at any time during the regatta.

## 6 Sailing Instructions

- 6.1 The Sailing Instructions will consist of the Instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions and Supplementary Instructions that will be available on line no later than Thursday 23rd March at <https://rbyc.org.au/george-mac-regatta/> and emailed to all competitors registered by that date.

## 7 Venue

- 7.1 Racing will be conducted on the waters of Port Phillip in the vicinity of Royal Brighton Yacht Club, 253 Esplanade, Middle Brighton VIC 3186.

## 8 The Courses

- 8.1 The courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions. It is anticipated that courses will be windward-leeward.

## 9 Safety

- 9.1 For each race session each boat intending to race shall "sign on" either via mobile phone or at the Regatta Office before departing the beach and shall "sign off" either via mobile phone or at the Regatta Office upon their return after racing.
- 9.2 Failure to sign on prior to racing or off prior to protest cut-off time will result in a 3-point penalty for the first race of the day. This changes RRS A4.

## 10 Scoring

- 10.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 10.2 When three (3) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 10.3 When four (4) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## 11 Prizes

- 11.1 Prizes will be awarded to boats placed first, second & third overall in each division depending on numbers. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA. The presentation will take place in the Members Lounge as soon as possible at the completion of the racing.

## 12 Support Vessels

- 12.1 Support vessels cannot be launched at RBYC, the closest boat ramp is North Rd, Brighton.
- 12.2 Parking for trailers is not available at RBYC.
- 12.3 RBYC will provide berthing locations for support boats within the marina, contact the [boatingmanager@rbyc.org.au](mailto:boatingmanager@rbyc.org.au) for details.
- 12.4 When requested by the Race Committee, all support vessels shall render immediate assistance as and when directed.

## 13 Boat Storage

- 13.1 Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while they are in the RBYC boat park.
- 13.2 Per 12.2 above, there is no storage for trailers on site at RBYC.

## 14 Radio Communication

- 14.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. [DP]

## 15 Regatta Communications

There will be no paper communications for this event. A communication will be emailed to all entrants no later than 22<sup>nd</sup> March including Supplementary Instructions and other updates. Any questions regarding these instructions can be emailed to [sailing@rbyc.org.au](mailto:sailing@rbyc.org.au). All communications will also be posted on the Event Website: <https://rbyc.org.au/george-mac-regatta/>  
This changes the preamble to Appendix S

- 15.1 The Official Notice Board will be the electronic Notice Board on the web page.

## **16 Rights to Use Name and Likeness**

16.1 In participating in this Event, a competitor automatically grants to the OA and any sponsors of the George Mac the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the said Event in which the competitor participates and, in all material, related to the said Event without compensation.

## **17 Disclaimer of Liability**

17.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Decision to Race. The OA will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.

## **18 Insurance**

18.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD \$10 Million per incident or the equivalent. A current insurance policy number will be required to complete the online entry.

## **19 Clean Regatta**

- 19.1 We are committed to clean waters and shores by participating in Sailors for the Sea's Clean Regattas program. We aim to fulfill, and encourage others to fulfill, the goals and requirements of Clean Regattas as set forth by Sailors for the Sea, and to work to protect and restore our waters for the enjoyment of current and future generations.
- 19.2 As part of this commitment, The George Mac is striving to achieve the following:
- 19.2.1 Engage volunteers as a 'Green Team' to manage our Clean Regatta effort
  - 19.2.2 Reduce or eliminate the use of disposable plastic water bottles by encouraging the use of reusable water bottles by all participants.
  - 19.2.3 We will provide onshore water refilling options
  - 19.2.4 We will strive to keep our regatta site rubbish free
  - 19.2.5 We will strive to increase the use of recyclable materials
  - 19.2.6 We will strive to reduce paper usage through increased paperless communications
- 19.3 In addition, we will seek to make progress on other Best Practices as can be found at [www.sailorsforthesea.org](http://www.sailorsforthesea.org)

## **20 Further Information**

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