



# Classic Yacht Association

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## VICTORIAN DIVISION 2015/2016 Summer Series Winter Race Eight (Pursuit) on February 28 2016

The race will be conducted by the  
Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron  
and the  
Royal Yacht Club of Victoria  
on behalf of the Classic Yacht Association of Australia Inc. A0034323W  
Scheduled start time 10:30 am

# Sailing Instructions Pursuit Race

## 1 RULES

The 2014/2015 CYAA (Vic) Summer Series of races will be governed by:

- the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS 2013-2016);
- the Special Regulations and Prescriptions of Yachting Australia (YA) ) Part 1 For Racing Boats.
- Requirements of the Port of Melbourne Corporation (PoMC) regulations
- Boats shall lodge an appropriate 2014/2015 Safety Compliance Declaration with their home club to entering the CYAA (Vic) 2015 Winter Series. YA Safety Category 6 shall apply.
- Skippers and crew of YA Safety Category 7 yachts and yachts without lifelines must wear a PFD1. Failure to do so will result in boats being scored DSQ after protest.
- RRS Rule 44.1 is changed so that the two turns penalty is replaced by the one turn penalty.

## 2 SHIPPING

- Skippers shall at all times abide by the *PoMC Regulations* covering the navigation of small craft and yachts. Skippers are also required to comply with the directions of Port Authority and race officials patrolling shipping channels.
- Any skipper subject of a complaint by a ship's master for any reason whatsoever may be disqualified after protest.
- Amplification of **Racing Rule 20 – Room to tack at an obstruction**. If there is a ship approaching in a Channel then the Channel becomes an obstruction.
- A boat which is in danger of interfering with the passage of commercial shipping may use its engine for propulsion providing the engine is used only for as long as is necessary, full details for the incident are reported to the Race Committee and the boat is not advantaged in any way by the use of the engine.

## 3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted to CYAA members via email and will be posted on the RYCV official notice board.

#### **4 START TIME & CLASS FLAG**

- The scheduled warning signal will be at 10:25 am.
- Race start time is scheduled to be 10:30am.
- Three or more starters will constitute a race.
- The class flag for the race will be the Classic Yacht Association of Australia Pennant.

#### **5 INTENTION TO RACE**

Starters in Race 8 are required to sail past the RMYS Race Control Tower to indicate they intend to race.

#### **6 STARTING LINE**

The Start Line shall be an imaginary line between the Flag Staff of the RMYS Starting Box located on the ST. Kilda Breakwater Marina and RMYS Mark A,

#### **7 SIGNALS FOR STARTING**

See separate sheets for individual yacht start times.

- **WARNING SIGNAL** – Five minutes before the start of the race the class flag, CYAA Pennant, shall be hoisted on the RMYS Race Control Tower flag staff, a sound signal made and group numeral One displayed.
- **PREPARATORY SIGNAL GROUP 1** – Four minutes before the start of the race, the preparatory signal shall be hoisted and a sound signal made.
- **REMOVAL OF PREPARATORY SIGNAL** – One minute before the start of the race, the preparatory signal shall be lowered and a sound signal of 5 seconds duration made.
- **STARTING SIGNAL** – At the start, the CYAA Pennant shall be lowered, a sound signal made and group numeral one replaced by group numeral 2.. The course number will remain displayed until all competitors have started.
- The **SCHEDULED** group starting time for each boat is on the list of entries. The **ACTUAL** starting time for each group is when their group number is removed from display on the RMYS Race Control tower.

#### **8 FAILURE OF SIGNAL**

Times shall be taken from visual signals and the failure or mistiming of the gun or sound signal shall be disregarded.

#### **9 RECALLS**

- If any part of the yacht's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line when the start is indicated it shall return and restart correctly or incur a 10% elapsed time penalty added to its elapsed time.
- It shall be the responsibility of the offending yacht or yachts to return to the prestart side of the line and start correctly.

## **10 SHORTEN COURSE**

- After the starting signal, the race committee may shorten the course or abandoned the race
- Race committee signal of 2 sounds and flag S displayed indicates shorten course
- Finishing line will be at a rounding mark, between the mark and the Race Committee vessel flag staff displaying signal flag S.
- The shortened course shall be signaled before the first boat crosses the finishing line.
- Race committee signal of 3 sounds and flag N, N over H or N over A displayed indicates race abandoned.

## **11 THE FINISHING LINE**

The Finish Line for courses 1 – 7 shall be an imaginary line between the Flag Staff of the RYCV Race Committee Starting Box located on the Northern End of the RYCV Marina and the finish mark, Mark O, a plain orange special purpose mark, approximately 100m to the North.

## **12 RACING AREA**

Shall be in the northern end waters of Port Phillip

## **13 THE COURSE**

- The allocated course will be signalled with numeral pennants on the RMYS Race Committee Start Box, at 1015hrs.
- The allocated course will be signalled by a number board displayed from the RMYS Race Committee Starting Box.
- Course details are attached.

**Please note additional course instructions for Pursuit Races with a RYCV Marina Finish**

***Prior to finish of the assigned course, yachts shall pass through the gate formed by the No. 20 Channel Pile and the Northern end of the Workshops Pier.***

## **14 TIME LIMIT**

All boats finishing after 1300 hours will be scored DNF.

## **15 SCORING**

The scoring system is the “Low Point System” with modifications in accordance with the Notice of Race.

## **16 SAFETY**

- The race will not start if the wind speed is 25 knots or greater or if a GALE Warning is current.
- The crew of boats that do not conform to YA Special Regulations Part 1 Section 3.12 (category 6 races included) shall wear Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) at all times whilst racing. PFDs shall conform to YA Special Regulations Section 5.01.1.
- RMYS and RYCV recommends all competitors wear an approved personal flotation device (PFD) whilst racing with shortened sails.
- The responsibility for a yacht skippers decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is theirs alone.

A boat that retires from a race is requested to notify the RMYS tower on VHF Channel 73 or the RYCV Race director on VHF Channel 69 as soon as possible

- Informing the vessel is retiring
- Informing the status of all persons on board.

## **17 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- The RMYS Race Committee will monitor VHF radio channel 73. The RYCV race committee will monitor VHF Channel 69
- Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- All boats without exception shall carry a VHF radio capable of receiving and transmitting on Channels 16, 69 and 73 failure to do so may result in a boat being scored DSQ.

## **18 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.

## **19 INSURANCE**

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

## Classic Yacht Association of Australia (Victoria)

### 2015/2016 Summer Series Race 8 (Pursuit) Course Descriptions

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**Course No. 1**

**Approx 2.4 Nautical miles**

**Start in a Westerly direction, through start line then to RYCV Marina finish line.**

**Course No. 2**

**Approx 2.8 Nautical miles**

**Start in a North Westerly direction, through start line, round RMYS Mark G to port then to RYCV Marina finish line.**

**Course No. 3**

**Approx. 3.3 Nautical miles**

**Start in a North Westerly direction, through start line, round RMYS Mark G to Port, round R4 to port then to RYCV Marina finish line**

**Course No. 4**

**Approx. 6.5 Nautical miles**

**Start in a Northerly direction, through start line, round RMYS Mark G to port, round RMYS Mark C to port, round RMYS Mark A to port, round RMYS Mark G to port then to RYCV Marina finish line.**

**Course No. 5**

**Approx. 6.6 Nautical miles**

**Start in a Southerly direction, through start line, round RMYS Mark B to starboard, round RMYS Mark C to starboard, round RMYS Mark D to starboard, round RMYS Mark A to starboard then to RYCV Marina finish line.**

**Course No. 6**

**Approx. 6.8 Nautical miles**

**Start in a Northerly direction, through start line, round RMYS Mark D to port, round RMYS Mark C to port, round RMYS Mark B to port, round RMYS Mark A to port, round RMYS Mark G to port then to RYCV Marina finish line.**

**Course No. 7**

**Approx. 6.8 Nautical miles**

**Start in a Southerly direction, through start line, round RMYS Mark B to starboard, round RMYS Mark C to starboard, round RMYS Mark D to starboard, round RMYS Mark A to starboard , round RMYS Mark G to port then to RYCV Marina finish line.**

**Course No. 7**

**Approx. 6.8 Nautical miles**

**Start in a Northerly direction, through start line, round RMYS Mark D to port, round RMYS Mark C to port, round RMYS Mark B to port, round RMYS Mark A to port, round RMYS Mark G to port then to RYCV Marina finish line.**

