



Classic Yacht Association O F A U S T R A L I A

Twenty four consecutive years of
Classic Yacht racing on Port Phillip.

CYAA 2019/2020 Summer Series Race 8 Sunday March 1st

Race 8 has arrived

Here's how we started out for race one of this series. *"Again we start out the series full of hop for eight completed races. Last series we were going so well and then came the all or nothing northerlies."*

It's been a long but enjoyable road to race 8, but we did it. BoM forecast for Sunday's conditions indicate a full card of race results. How about that!

Race 8 documentation is now available for downloading from the CYAA Web site. Here's the links to the [Race 8 Sailing Instructions](#) and the [Group start times](#). While our series aggregate looks like it's all settled. We also know about yacht racing is there's no such thing as a sure thing. You never know weather wise, so go easy on that trophy engraving is the word. Actually what is shaping up aggregate wise is the battle for the minor placings. Our Group start times are the only sure thing for race 8. Don't bother screaming, there're in the hands of the starter. Don't bother waving that wooden leg in the breeze. Too late.

A welcome return

A feature of Race 8 will be the return of **Wanita** under the helm of Richard Gates to our Classic Yacht Racing scene. Brilliant. After a Richard Blake refurbishment, Craig Brown and his **Cyan** team will be presenting a glorious looking **Cyan** to the fleet all set to fleet to the test. Hopefully the Ferdi Darley will end the travails of **Mistral IX** for Michael Knight. To watch a Cole 40 take on the race 8 fleet is a big hoped for sight.

Post Series BBQ at RYCV

Yes it's on again. This time the **Mercedes III** team is doing the honours. To enter into the world of consuming crisp classic sausages and fixings, a crisp \$10 pp is the toll.



2020 Williamstown Seaport Festival

By now we all know our Race 8 is also a Williamstown Seaport Festival event. When festival organising started the CYAA was invited to contribute. All the dots lined up. What better way to showcase our racing. To have one of our series races form part of the Seaport festival program presented a unique opportunity to too good to pass up. Spectator viewing from the Ann Street pier is being promoted. Presenting classic yacht racing to the general public? We're there.

RYCV and HBYC events on Sunday

It's a full on events day at RYCV.

The RYCV Tripe and Onions pursuit start race begins at 11:00am. They use the same waters as the classics when starting and finishing. Around Channel lateral pile 20, the red one.

The RYCV Ruth Nangle lady skippers race is scheduled for an 11:00am start on Hobsons Bay.

RYCV, HBYC and the Williamstown Sailing Club are conducting a Discover Sailing Day as a Seaport Festival event. Keep a tight lookout when racing up to the finish line.



Featured Image for " on Tall Ships Network James Craig, 3 masted barque, with all 21 sails set, in Bass Strait, Feb 2013 - Image courtesy of Sydney Heritage Fleet

Tall Ship movements at the Seaport Festival.

While there's no Notice to Mariners to cover Festival based events be aware the Jame Craig will depart Anna Street pier at 11:00am and arrive back at 4:00pm on Sunday. The Enterprize will be departing and arriving at various times, while the Young Endeavour will be open for public viewing.

Forecast conditions for Sunday

Four day out. Looking at light easterly is the word. We know this will change. Must work on a course that bring home for the crisp Mercedes III BBQ'd sausages.

All the best for Sunday.

Manuka Rere and Seabird are off at 10:00am with the chasers Acrospire III at 10:49 and Kingurra at 10:50

Geelong Wooden Boat Festival is next. So far 22 Classic yacht entries, 16 are CYAA entries

Regards to all

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