

Status, COVID -19 and the CYAA

The COVID-19 situation is still unfortunately evolving. We know and recognise our CYAA members at the serious end of the non stop research needed to bring this pandemic under control.

Where the CYAA stands with this COVID-19 pandemic situation is outlined in the [20th March advice issued by our President Martin Ryan](#).

We know this pandemic will eventually subside, we need to prepare for that time.

CYAA (Vic) 2020 Winter Series

Our CYAA (Vic) [2020 Winter Series race documentation](#) has been prepared and posted. Close contact with our race conducting clubs will be maintained to keep our race schedule postponements up to date. While the 2020 Winter Series entry form is now posted, no entries will be accepted till further notice.

CYAA (Vic) Racing Schedule

The first two 2020 Winter Series races are now postponed. Further postponements to 2020 Winter Series races are expected. As previously said in the status message, the CYAA is in communication with all our race conducting clubs on this race postponement issue. Preparing the [2020/2021 CYAA race schedule](#) post Covid-19 that fits in with club schedules will be difficult. When racing resumes, the 2020 Winter Series Notice of Race will be amended to reflect race schedule and number of races changes. One change has already happened. You'll notice our 2020/2021 Summer race schedule now includes racing in the RYCV Lipton Cup Regatta.

CYAA (Vic) 2019/2020 Summer Series Race 8

The last race of our summer series was a stunner and more so was the post series BBQ. Again thanks to the **Mercedes III** BBQ team to make our post series a stunner. Again congratulations to **Astrud** under the helm of Bert Pullin and his crew of worthies for taking out the Summer Series Locker 57 trophy.

Race 8 pics from Mistral IX



First home in the Race 8 pursuit start. Best performing classic yacht on corrected
To help remember those [good times of the last race of the 2020/2019 summer series](#) here's some scenes as provided to us by Michael Knight skipper of Mistral IX

2020 Geelong Wooden Boat Festival March 7/8

To those CYAA members who entered the Geelong Wooden Boat Festival. It's a big thank you for being with us from the Festival organisers. The CYAA have been asked for comments as to how the festival went for them and for suggestions to support the 2022 festival. That new marina walk way was certainly draw card for the larger than ever spectator numbers. Congratulations to **Mistral IX** for taking out the Concours d'Élegance award. So many classic's so well presented was the word from Lyn Pardy and your handicapper.



Lot's of post passage race fun rehashing of the finish line duel between the skippers of **Acrospire IV** and **Kingurra** on the after deck of **Acrospire IV**. **Kingurra** took out line honours and **Acrospire IV** took out corrected time honours. During the race to the line heavy head to head changes were the scene.

The sight of **Acrospire III** greeting the fleet was a race feature. Another festival arrival feature was the non stop three dolphin greeting to **Alwyn** as she left the Hopetoun lateral channel mark 8

BTW That sail down to Portarlington on Friday was another story. Just ask **Alwyn** or **Sirocco**. **Mistral's** voyage to Portarlington was another with a great story.

CYANZ Regatta March 7/8

Here's the link for a second look at the [2020 CYANZ Regatta story](#)

Hirondelle Who will step up?

Take a look at the message about the fate awaiting the [Peter Cole designed 17 Square meter from 1960 Hirondelle](#). She's a worthy candidate for a new life, racing with the CYAA that is. Currently she's on a cradle in the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron yard.



That's all for now. Your ourt and about handicapper is all set for some new ways to handle our race management. All the best for the future. Keep all those Covirus-19 guidelines in mind. We know we have to be out and about.

Peter Costolloe

CYAA Vic Handicapper