

Classic Yacht Association OF AUSTRALIA

Be at RYCV for our post Race 5 Auld Lang Syne to Twenty Four consecutive years of Classic Yacht racing on Port Phillip.

CYAA 2019/2020 Summer Series Race 5

Order of the Day. So long 24, Hello 25.

Time flies, when your having fun. To sustain the fun of Classic Yacht racing, a post race meet up by the Race 5 fleet at RYCV to celebrate the starting signal for 25 years of Classic yacht racing on Port Phillip is the order of the day.

24th years to celebrate.

Our fleet participation numbers stay strong, our member count stays strong with a declining average member age. Our recent 2019 Cup Regatta with its big wins on both the social and racing fronts. One of those wins was the increasing number lady classic yacht skippers and crew competing.

Our 2019 Cup Regatta reprise.

For those who weren't on the mail out list of our Presidents report with pics, on how the Cup Regatta social event went over in. They took our Cup Regatta performance yardstick to a new high, [Take a look it's a good read.](#)

Are we ready for our 25th year.

To sum up, a bright and strong 25th year of Classic yacht racing is waiting. Is the CYAA ready for the challenge? Yes it is. Nothing succeeds like success and success in all its forms from our previous years of Series and Cup Regatta racing will be the building block for our 25th year of Classic Yacht racing and our 14th 2020 Cup Regatta.

CYAA 2020 Executive team

Our recent AGM office bearer elections saw the 2019 President Martin Ryan continue on as 2020 CYAA president.. His go forward CYAA Executive team for 2020 is Richard Macrae , Vice President with David McKenzie continuing as CYAA Treasurer for 2020 and Janet Dean is now our secretary. The AGM applauded these members for the long and onerous hours they continue to give to the CYAA on a voluntary basis. The quality of their work is reflected in the no drama's the Association has with all the regulatory compliance requirements of the Incorporated Associations legislation. The general committee is made up by Cameron Dorrrough, Damian Purcell, Craig Brown, Ian Rose and Peter Costolloe as Race Director.

From the CYAA Executive it's a big welcome to Janet Dean our new secretary. Janet brings to the CYAA a wealth of yacht club administration experience . To Ian Rose, our ex secretary, goes CYAA thanks for his stepping into the role as secretary at short notice. Ian will maintain his support of the CYAA as a general committee member.

While our Executive team is a strong force it's both the long term and recently joined members that are the force and source of the Association's high credibility with the various yacht club and maritime museum administrations Through this strong and supportive membership, the CYAA will continue to fulfill the role as outlined in its mission statement

Our aim is to promote the appreciation and participation of sailing classic yachts and help preserve the historic and cultural significance of these unique vessels.

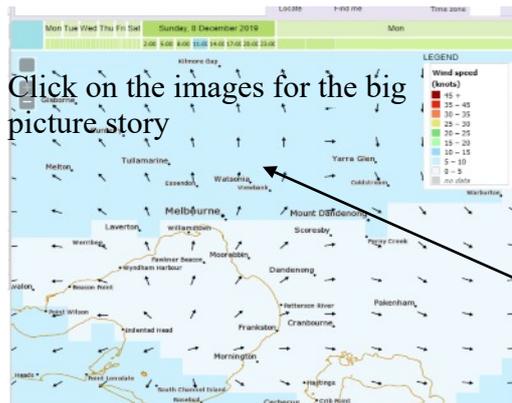


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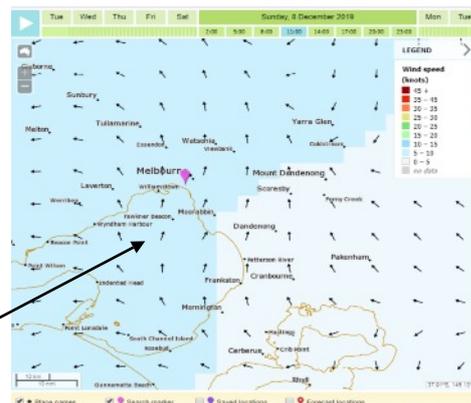
A true supporter of Classic Yacht racing on Port Phillip.

Race Five December 8 at RYCV. Start time 10:00am

Back to Race 5. Our final race for 2019 is the traditional end of year pursuit start race conducted for us by the RYCV.



To give an even chance for line honours to all Race 5 starters, our group start times are scheduled to begin at 10:00am. Lofty and hand on the heart thoughts indeed. But what do you do when calculating group start time based on this 6 days out forecast. Easy, you wait a day or two for this. As for Sunday race day, easy once



Monday Dec 2 forecast for Sunday Dec 8

Wednesday Dec 4 forecast for Sunday Dec 8

again. You take what you get from the weather department and what skippers say and then try to retract in a spasm of feigned coughing and spluttering. Aren't we lucky to have such a wise and all knowing handicapper. To see how wise and sound our handicapper is take a look at the [allocated Group start times for Race 5](#) and the [Race 5 Sailing instructions](#). Both the Race 5 SI's and group start times are now available for downloading using the above links. Courses used for Classic racing at RYCV are included in the Race 5 Sailing Instructions. The Group start times have been handed over the the RYCV Race Director. Locked and loaded is the word. To clear the waters for the T&M start 10:50 am is the last group time for race 5. Too bad says the handicapper. Those faster boats should be back further. Seeing Sundays weather is slow boat to China stuff it will be interesting to see how that go against the earlier starting groups.

The latest weather check, Thurs pm, indicates no change to the forecast conditions 5-10 knot southerly. Doesn't matter. What Huey gives we take with no complaint. It's all about having our classics on the water and ready for the only thing they know, racing.

Mistral IX, a new starter for Race 5

The Classic fleet Summer Series numbers on Port Phillip continues to grow.

Race 5 will see a first time Classic race starter . It's **Mistral IX** from the RMYS. An Australian classic, designed and built by iconic Australians in 1966. Peter Cole of Sydney and Max Crease of Hobart in 1966. Her skipper, Michael Knight, says while she's very fast, her crew are training hard to keep up with her. So let's see how Sail No. 192 goes on Sunday.



Mistral IX at RMYS



Mistral IX on the Derwent

RYCV Tripe and Onions Sunday start time 11:00am

While your attention is still active take note, other RYCV boats racing on Sunday. RYCV are conducting a Tripe and Onions pursuit start series, so watch out for Doug Hem's **Tamasis**. Doug will be one up with a can't see through asymmetrical. The first T&O group is off at 11:00am. As this race start line is the same as the Classic start line the chance is high RYCV boats will doing pre race manoeuvres in the same waters around the 10:45 am time.

Keep in mind the Tripe and Onions finish line approach from Channel Mark 20 is the same as the Classics finish line approach. While it's hard to be nice and sensible when racing, try it for once. The two fleets may mix it together when approaching the finish line.

Dredge operations in Port Melb. Channel

Here's a link to the [Vic Port Channel authority Notice to Mariners](#) that covers dredging operations in the Yarra river mouth. Take note, spoil barges will be operating 24/7 between the dredge and the Port Phillip spoil grounds. Watch out for that tow line.



Serifa in Sydney

Some voyage notes from Michael McTavish. **Serifa** is an entrant in the 75th Sydney to Hobart anniversary regatta.

Hi Peter, just an update on **Serifa** we are now at Bermigui on the southern NSW coast. Our trip had a couple of delays
Battery charger problems - fixed in Hastings
Vhf radio and compass light - replaced by me in Lakes Entrance
Weather coming out of Westernport and around the Prom very heavy 3/4 metre waves and very strong winds
We had 40/45 knts in Refuge at anchor !!
Mostly motor sailing as winds were invariable on the nose.
However great sail from Lakes Entrance to Eden in 23 hrs .
Serifa continues to impress in rough conditions.
Hope you have a great sail on Sunday !!
Regards Michael



View from Serifa's Sydney CYCA berth

Hi Peter, we made it !!

Serifa is now currently in the Basin at CYCA and receiving some interest as a few old timers know the boat. It was a longish voyage and we motorsailed at least 80% of the distance due to no wind / wind on the nose or blowing 40/50 knts

Incidentally the distance sailed was 644 nautical miles/ slightly longer than a Sydney to Hobart race
There are dozens of beautiful

Classic boats here, beside **Serifa** is a 48 ft Herrscoff which has just been varnished and painted!!
Opposite is a 50 ft SS looks like Mercedes 3 on Steroids !!

It's a race entry and having a mast repair with a team of four on the job from 6.30 am
Cheers Michael



Wyruna. Restoration going ahead

Here's some recent restoration news

Back in July 2018 a story in the race notes had an article about the state of a notable Australian classic, **Wyruna**, designed by Walter Reeks. She wasn't in a good way at all. She gently reposed, propped up by stilts, in an Altona back yard. Move on to last week. In this back yard were her new owners with Ferdi Darley and a crane operator. Yes, she's on her way to a full restoration by Ferdi Darly.



Wyruna by Walter Reeks in 1919. Then owned by the Dutton family of South Australia



Wyruna today. Resting quietly in an Altona backyard.

Vic Sail Geelong partnership taken over by CYAA Geelong members.

A note was recently received from Bill Chittenden, ex skipper of Cardinal Puff and side kick of Hal Sisk who restored Peggy Bawn, informing he and RGYC members have taken over the Geelong yacht brokerage franchise of Vic Sail. Bill say he'll be concentrating marine craft only. No ancilliary business such as working on the Finance or Insurance of the product. He's asked for our CYAA members to keep him in mind when it comes to yacht brokerage. To help us keep him in mind Bill will rebate the CYAA 25% of the commission earned through a CYAA based sale.

It's time to live again.

Those sirens of 10:00am Sunday are calling.

Best wishes to our Race five fleet including their skippers and crews. Don't forget our after race five knee's up at RYCV

Race 5 results will be published on the RYCV web site results page asap after the last boat home. . Races 1 to 4 results and series aggregate will be listed on this web site soon.

2019/2020 Summers Series aggregate after Race 4

Regards to all
Peter Costolloe CYAA (Vic) Handicapper