



# Top of the Bay Regatta

## Saturday 3 March 2018

Hosted by Hobsons Bay Yacht Club  
in conjunction with Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron

### Notice of Race

#### 1. RULES

1.1. The Top of the Bay Regatta will be governed by:

1.1.1. The current Racing Rules of Sailing

1.1.2. The Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS),  
Part 1, sections 1-6

1.1.3. The AMS rating systems, the IRC rules parts 1, 2 and 3

1.1.4. The Yachting Victoria handicap system

1.1.5. And the requirements of the Port of Melbourne Corporation (PoMC) will  
apply.

1.2. All crew of boats without lifelines shall wear a PFD type 1 or 2 whilst on deck. It  
is strongly recommended that all crews of boats wear a PFD type 1 or 2 whilst  
on deck when conditions are such as to warrant it. Such conditions would  
include:

1.2.1. When sails are reefed

1.2.2. Where there is significant wind effect on the water or wave heights that  
might jeopardize the safety of the vessel or its occupants.

1.3. No anchors shall be carried on deck forward of the stem or with any part  
outboard.

#### 2. ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising  
authority.

### 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta is open to all yachts on the register of an Australian Sailing affiliated club.
- 3.2. All yachts must have lodged a category 6 safety compliance declaration with their home club covering the 2017-18 season.
- 3.3. Yachts may enter online via the HBYC or RMYS websites until midnight on Thursday 1 March 2018.
- 3.4. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the race committee.
- 3.5. Entry for RMYS & HBYC Entrants is free if boat owner has paid the RMYS or HBYC "On-water Safety and Training Fee".

### 4. FEES

- 4.1. Entry is free for eligible yachts on the register of RMYS.
- 4.2. Entry is free for eligible yachts on the register of HBYC if the boat owner has paid the RMYS or HBYC "On-water Safety and Training Fee".
- 4.3. Entry is \$30 for eligible yachts on the register of all other Australian Sailing affiliated yacht clubs.

### 5. SCHEDULE

<b>Divisions</b>	<b>Start Time</b>	<b>Number of Races</b>
Division 1	11:00	3
Division 2	11:00	3
Class Entrants TBC	11:05	3
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Pursuit	12:00	1

### 6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on the HBYC and RMYS websites no later than 1700hrs on Thursday 1 March 2018.

### 7. VENUE

The regatta will be held on the waters of Port Phillip.

### 8. COURSES

The courses will be as described in the sailing instructions.

### 9. SCORING

The scoring system is as follows:

One Race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

A boat's series score will be the sum of her race scores.

## 10. PERFORMANCE HANDICAP

- 10.1. Handicaps will be determined by the club handicappers and shall not be subject to protest. This changes RRS 60.1(b), 60.2(b) and RRS 62.
- 10.2. The HBYC and RMYS Handicappers reserves the right to revise any handicap during the Series and to make the changed handicap retrospective if required. Boat Owners/Skippers are reminded of their obligations under Rule 2 of the YV Handicapping Rules.

## 11. DIVISIONS

- 11.1. Shall be based on the number of entrants  
Division 1 & 2 – PHS, AMS and IRC  
Division 3 – S80 Class  
Division 4 – Bluebird Class  
Division 5 – Diamond Class  
Division 6 – Pursuit\* (Non-Spinnaker)  
\*Pursuit Entrants: only headsails used for sailing close hauled to windward, mainsails and mizzens shall be used. All headsails shall be attached to the forestay at all times.
- 11.2. The Organizing Authority reserves the right to amend the Divisional break points to adjust fleet sizes dependent on entries. Final fleet listings will be published prior to the event.
- 11.3. Divisions 1 & 2 shall have a minimum of 10 starters each.
- 11.4. Divisions 3, 4 & 5 shall have a minimum of 5 starters each.
- 11.5. Division 6 shall have a minimum of 3 starters each.

## 12. RE-SAILS

There will be no re-sails in this Series

## 13. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

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

## 14. PRIZES

- 14.1. Prizes will be given as follows:

1 <sup>st</sup> PHS	Division 1 & 2
1 <sup>st</sup> AMS	Division 1 & 2
1 <sup>st</sup> IRC	Division 1 & 2
1 <sup>st</sup> OD	Divisions 3, 4, & 5
1 <sup>st</sup> PUR HC	Division 6 (Pursuit)

14.2. Additional prizes may be allocated at the discretion of the organising authority.

14.3. Trophy presentations will be held at HBYC after the last race.

**15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organising 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.

**16. INSURANCE**

Show proof of appropriate third party and personal insurance cover, with a minimum of AUD \$10,000,000 public liability. Skippers shall ensure that while the yacht is racing, equipment necessary to comply with the relevant safety prescriptions is carried, and the appropriate level of insurance cover is maintained.

**17. FURTHER INFORMATION**

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