

Geelong Trailable Yacht Club Inc.



Sailing Instructions

Queenscliff to Geelong

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Schedule of Races

Division	Class Based Handicap (CBH)	Flag	Start	
1	Trailable: Cruising (no spinnaker)	All	E	10:00
2	Trailable	Less than 0.700	E	10:00
3	Trailable	0.700 & above	F	10:15
4	Sports boats	All	F	10:15

Vessels finishing later than 6:00 PM will be deemed to have not finished. This time limit may be extended if any competitor finishes before the time limit and the Duty Officer judges that other boats are able to finish and return to port before dark. The time limit also applies to any shortened course which the Duty officer deems necessary.

2. Courses

All Divisions: START: A line between the start boat (orange flag) and laid yellow buoy east of Queenscliff Pier.
FINISH: A line between GTYC "Rotunda" at St Helens (Geelong) and a laid Orange buoy approximately 300 metres offshore.

Divisions 1 & 2: (E flag)

Mark	Approx coordinates	Keep mark to:
START		
Coles Channel Mark (white structure)	38°14.4'S-144°42.2'E	Port
St Leonards pier (red pile)	38°10.35'S-144°43.53'E	Port
Point Richards (first of 2 red piles)	38°06.27'S-144°37.1'E	Port
South cardinal mark & Wilson Spit Channel 4	38° 08.131 S; 144° 30.112 E	Pass between
Hopetoun Channel 3 & 4	38°07.6'S-144°26.16'E	Pass between
Hopetoun Channel 7 & 8	38°07.18'S-144°24.4'E	Pass between
FINISH	38°07.05'S-144°21.73'E	Starboard

Divisions 3 & 4: (F flag)

Mark	Approx coordinates	Keep mark to:
START		
Coles Channel Mark (white structure)	38°14.4'S-144°42.2'E	Port
St Leonards pier (red pile)	38°10.35'S-144°43.53'E	Port
Red Pile (No 2)	38°09.1'S -144°44.42'E	Port
Prince George Light	38°06.4'S-144°44.21'E	Port
North cardinal mark	38°04.96'S-144°39.9'E	Port
South cardinal mark & Wilson Spit Channel 4	38° 08.131 S; 144° 30.112 E	Pass between
Hopetoun Channel 3 & 4	38°07.6'S-144°26.8'E	Pass between
Hopetoun Channel 7 & 8	38°07.8'S-144°24.4'E	Pass between
FINISH	38°07.05'S-144°21.73'E	Starboard

Prohibited Areas:

Restricted Naval Waters between Start and Coles Channel Mark.

3. Starts

Start Line will be between the **Start Boat** (orange flag) and a Yellow Buoy east of Queenscliff Pier. Races will be started as follows:

Minus 5 minutes	<u>Visual Signal</u>
Minus 4 minutes	Divisions flag raised
Minus 1 minutes	P & I flags raised
Start	P flag removed
	Divisions flag removed

Times will be taken from Visual signals. A Visual Signal may be accompanied by a sound signal. The absence of a sound signal will be disregarded.

Any Division 1 or 2 boat starting later than 11 minutes after her designated start shall not interfere with or impede the starting of any Division 3 or 4 boat. Boats not within 5 mins.of starting must stay clear of boats starting.

4. Rules and Safety Regulations

- 4.1 **The race will be governed** by the *Racing Rules of Sailing For 2013-2016* (RRS) published by Yachting Australia (YA), State Regulations, Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.
- 4.2 **This race is classified** as Category C under RRS 80 Advertising.
- 4.3 **Crews of yachts** shall, at all times whilst racing, wear PFD1's.
- 4.4 **Class dispensations** already approved by YA or State Yachting Authority will be recognised.
- 4.5 **Safety equipment** shall be available for inspection on request.
- 4.6 **A yacht reported as not complying** with mandatory safety regulations during the race may incur disqualification after protest.
- 4.7 **Sign-on** before the Start at Race Office Queenscliff and **Sign-off** as soon as possible after finishing at Race Headquarters St. Helens, is mandatory.
- 4.8 **The competed Log** must be handed in at sign-off. Failure to hand in your completed Log risks disqualification.
- 4.9 **Yachts retiring** should notify a race official as soon as possible on the day of the race. Advice can be radioed to Race Headquarters VH3 ABD, VHF Channel 77 or phoned to 0417 121 016.
- 4.10 **Admiralty Chart** is AUS 157 or equivalent should be carried.
- 4.11 **Weather reports** are available from Geelong Coast Guard VMR 368, Race Start Headquarters Queenscliff and commercial radio 93.9 Bay-FM.
- 4.12 **Helping Those in Danger.** Skippers are reminded of RRS Fundamental Rule 1.1 Time so lost may be claimed at the finish.
- 4.13 **Radio frequency** for race to be – Calling on VHF 16 and then to VHF 77 for working or a channel as advised by the called station.

5. Disclaimer of Liability

- 5.1 Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. The GTYC Inc. is not responsible for the seaworthiness or the sufficiency or adequacy of the equipment or actions of the crew of a yacht whose entry is accepted.
- 5.2 **Attention is drawn to Fundamental Rules 4**, which states: “**The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone**”.
- 5.3 **Attention is drawn to Fundamental Rules 3**, which states: “By participating in a race conducted under these racing rules, each competitor and boat owner agrees:
 - 5.3.1 to be governed by the *rules*.
 - 5.3.2 to accept the penalties imposed and other action taken under the *rules*, subject to the appeal and review procedures provided in them, as the final determination of any matter arising under the *rules* and
 - 5.3.3 with respect to such a determination, not to resort to any court of law or tribunal.

6. Notices to Competitors

- 6.1 Race Start Office will be at the Harbour Office, Queenscliff Marina.
- 6.2 Notices to competitors shall be posted on the official notice board located at Race Start Office, Queenscliff.
- 6.3 Changes to the sailing instructions shall be posted at Race Start Office, Queenscliff, one hour before the start on the day it will take effect.
- 6.4 Signals made ashore will be displayed at Race Start Office, Queenscliff.
- 6.5 A **briefing** will be held adjacent to the Race Start Office at **09:15**.
- 6.6 **Sign on before the Start**
- 6.7 **Sign off and hand in your competed Log as soon as possible after you Finish. Failure to hand in your completed Log risks disqualification.**

7. Protests and Requests for Redress

- 7.1 Will be accepted in terms of RRS Rule 60.
- 7.2 Protests shall be written on forms available at Race Headquarters, St. Helens; and lodged there within one hour after the time of the last yacht's finish, together with a deposit of \$10.00.
- 7.3 Protest notices will be posted at Race Headquarters, St Helens, within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors there is a hearing to which they are a party or named as witnesses. This shall constitute official notice to all parties.
- 7.4 Protests shall be heard in approximately the order of receipt at the Geelong Trailable Yacht Club Rotunda commencing at 1030 hours on Monday 16th January 2017, or otherwise by mutual agreement.

8. Scoring

- 8.1 Y.V. Class Based Handicaps current at race date will apply.
- 8.2 Provisional results will be displayed at Race Headquarters as early as possible. Final results will be emailed to all competitors as soon as practicable.

9. Penalty System

- 9.1 RRS Rule 44 of the Racing Rules specifies alternate penalties for infringing Rules of Part 2.

10. Cancellation or Postponement

10.1 Will be signalled in accordance with RRS Rule 27.3. In the case of adverse weather the Postponement or Abandon and Re-sail signal shall be flown. This shall be notification to all competitors that the race shall be re-sailed on an alternative date.

11. Presentation of Trophies

11.1 Presentation of trophies will be made at the Race Headquarters St. Helens as soon as possible after the event.

12. General Information

- 12.1 **St Helens Boat Ramp:** Turn east off the Melbourne-Geelong Road into Swinburne Street, North Geelong; ramp fee \$4-00 – pay at Coast Guard; – excellent parking facilities; Lock-up overnight parking available; avoid trees while manoeuvring mast-up; short term mooring available.
- 12.2 **Queenscliff Boat Ramp:** Extension of Hesse Street, near Coast Guard; ramp fee \$10-00 per 24 hours. Pay at ticket machine; public parking. Launch mast-down and proceed under bridge to public jetty or marina. Caution: (1) Depart the ramp to starboard of the post. (2) The tidal stream in the cut can be daunting.
- 12.3 **Queenscliff Harbour (marina):** Overnight berth for Q2G entrants at a heavily discounted \$60 per night if we get 5 or more takers or \$75-00 per night otherwise. Lounge, hot showers available. If you have not previously registered with Queenscliff Harbour, register at www.queenscliffharbour.com.au/ , download and send completed registration form (once only) and insurance details (annually) in advance. Alternatively, phone Queenscliff Harbour on (03) 5258 5459. <http://www.queenscliffharbour.com.au/what-to-do/retail/>
- 12.5 **St Helens Facilities:** Public BBQ facilities, public toilets and showers are available at St Helens (adjacent to Coast Guard).
- 12.6 **Post-Presentation:** BBQ or alternative will be available for \$10-00 at the GTYC clubhouse or nearby alternative venue, after the trophy presentation.

Emergency Contacts:

Queenscliff Coast Guard	5258 2222
Geelong Coast Guard	5278 8440
Queenscliff Lonsdale YC	0417 772 220 (Brian) or 0409 562 976 (Jill)
GTYC Base (Rotunda)	0417 121 016
Duty Officer	0417 121 016
Queenscliff Harbour	5258 5459
Queenscliff Cruising YC	0412 150 228

27 MHz Radio	Geelong Coastguard	VMR 368
	Queenscliff Coast Guard	VMR 369
All Emergencies		VHF CH 16

Race enquiries: John Mole; Phone: 0411 142 917; email jamole64@bigpond.com





Q2G

RACE LOG

Divisions 1 & 2

Please sign off and hand race log in to Race HQ before de-rigging

Sail No.: Skipper Name & Sign-off:

Boat Name:

Mark of Course	Time	Nearest Boat Name/Sail No.
St. Leonards Pier		
Point Richards		
Sth Card/Wilson Spit 4		
Hopetoun Number 3/4		
Hopetoun Number 7/8		
Finish Line		

SUBMISSION OF RACE LOG IS MANDATORY.
FAILURE TO SUBMIT WILL INCUR DISQUALIFICATION.



RACE LOG

Divisions 3 & 4












Please sign off and hand race log in to Race HQ St Helens, before de-rigging

Sail No: Skipper Name & Sign-off:

Boat Name:

Mark of Course	Time	Nearest Boat Name/Sail No.
St. Leonards Pier		
Red Pile (No 2)		
Prince George Light		
North Cardinal Mark		
Sth Card/Wilson Spit 4		
Hopetoun Number 3/4		
Hopetoun Number 7/8		
Finish Line		

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Marks and Hazards in sequence 	Identifying Features	Location and Remarks
START	YELLOW cylindrical buoy	East north east of the Queenscliff 'Cut' The Start line will be about 200 m long
Swan Island 	Queenscliff Approach Pile - Red channel pile marked "QA" Swan Spit Pile - Red pile marked "SS"	Recommend ALL navigational marks on their correct hand. CARE:- shoals along shores of Swan Island.
Coles Channel Mark 	ALL Div. MARK: Large white structure	38°14.4 S, 144°42.2 E Leave to port: southern end of Coles Channel
St Leonards Pier 	ALL Div. : MARK; LOG: Red pile	38°10.35 S 144°43.53 E. Approx 150m SE of St Leonards pier. CARE: sand spit near channel edge.
Governor Reef 	Cardinal marks East (black, yellow, black) and West (yellow, black, yellow)	38°09.25 S, 144°43.8 E 38°09.23 S 144°43.6 E CARE: dries at low water
Inner Governor Reef 	Isolated Danger mark. (black, red black)	38°08.95 S 144°43.42 E CARE: dries at low water. Channel is narrow between the reef and North Red Bluff (Indented Head boat ramp jetty)
Red Pile (No. 2)	Div. 3&4 MARK; LOG: Red pile	38°09.1'S -144°44.42'E Leave to port
Indented Head Boat Ramp and Jetty 	Red pile	38°08.77 S 144°43.29 E CARE: Rocky spit extends to the north east of North Red Bluff. Channel is narrow.
Point George Bank 	North, South, East and West YB Cardinal Marks – Isolated Danger Mark	38°07.64 S 144°42.92 E 38°07.25 S 144°43.45 E CARE: shallow bank & rock
Prince George Light	Div 3 & 4 MARK; LOG: Red pile	38°06.4 S 144°44.21 E Leave to port
Grassy Point 	Red pile	38°06.97 S 144°41.95 E CARE: NE end of shoal.
Mussel Culture 	Special Marks, yellow with X on top	38°06.64 S 144°42.19 E KEEP OUT– may entangle Keels and rudders.
North Cardinal Mark	Div 3 & 4 MARK; LOG:	38°04.96 S, 144°39.9E Leave to port
Portarlington Pier		38°06.6 S 144°39.0 E
Pt Richards	Div. 1 & 2 MARK; LOG: First of 2 red piles	First pile 38°06.27 S, 144°37.1 E Leave to Port:
Mussel beds (Portarlington to Clifton Springs): 	Special Marks, yellow with yellow X on top	38°07.2 S 144°35.53 E CARE: KEEP OUT– may entangle Keels and rudders.
South Cardinal Mark	ALL Div. MARK; LOG:	38°08.131 S, 144°30.112 E Leave to Port
Hopetoun Channel	ALL Div. MARK; LOG	38°07.18 S, 144°26.16 E Enter between 3 & 4; Shallow outside channel:
Hopetoun Channel	ALL Div. MARK; LOG	Exit between 7 & 8; CARE: Shallow outside channel:
FINISH	ORANGE buoy	38°07.05 S 144°21.73 E Approx.150m E of and near the north end of St Helens boat harbour. Leave to starboard. Avoid shore fishermen

