



NOTICE of RACE



GTYC "Cluster Cup" Race

Saturday 2nd. September, 2017

Issue Date: 25th. August 2017

1. Eligibility

- 1.1 Yachts complying with the provisions of YA *Australian Trailable Yacht and Sports Boat Rule January 2015* (updated January 2016) and having a current Class Based Handicap (CBH).
- 1.2 Yachts entered as standard yachts of a recognised class shall comply with the rules of that class.
- 1.3 Yachts without a CBH and/or with modifications may be accepted upon application to the Race Committee.
- 1.4 Crew shall consist of at least one adult (18 years or over) and at least one other person whose minimum age shall be greater than 14 years, each able to handle the boat independently. Crew comprising one person may enter provided compliance is demonstrated with special conditions regarding auto helm, life-lines, PFD, tether and identification.
- 1.5 All yachts must comply with YA Special Regulations Category 5 as defined in the RRS.
- 1.6 Consideration will be given to entries not complying with RRS prescription 55.

2. Divisions and Start Times

- 2.1 Yachts will probably be grouped into two divisions. There will be two start times. Final Division groups and Start Times will be included in the Sailing Instructions. The likely Divisions and Start Times are:

	Division	CBH	Flag	Start
1	Trailable	Less than 0.700	E	10:00
2	Trailable and Sports	0.700 & above	F	10:30

Vessels finishing later than 5:00 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 extension also applies to any shortened course which the Duty officer deems necessary.

3. Trophy and Prize List

Trophies or prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd.

4. Courses

The course will start and finish near St Helens (Geelong). A diagram of the course is attached. Course details will be provided in the Sailing Instructions and may be different in detail from the attached diagram. Course length will be approximately 20 nautical miles.

An alternate course entirely within Corio Bay will be sailed if wind strength and sea state in the Outer Harbour are not acceptable.

5. Scoring System

Individual results will be calculated by applying each yacht's CBH to its elapsed time.

6. Measurement

Yachts not complying with class rules must provide accurate information on the entry form. The Race Committee reserves the right to set or adjust a CBH.

7. Sailing Instructions

Sailing instructions and other information will be **emailed** by the **28th.August, 2017** to all entrants accepted by the Race Committee before that date. Sailing instructions will also be posted on the GTYC Website. See www.gtyc.com.au

Limited Copies will also be available at sign on.

8. Entries

Entries on the prescribed form, together with the Entry Fee of \$30-00, will be accepted up to 60 min prior to the Warning Signal of the Division 1 start.

9. Enquiries

Race entries and enquiries should be directed to:

The Secretary
GTYC Inc.
P.O. Box 899
Geelong 3220

or

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



10. Rules

- 10.1 The race will be governed by the *Racing Rules of Sailing For 2013-2016* (RRS) published by Yachting Australia (YA) and by the Sailing Instructions.
- 10.2 This race is classified as Category C under RRS 80 Advertising.
- 10.3 **Crews of yachts not having lifelines complying with YA Special Regulations Part 1 Section 3.12 (Category 5) shall, at all times whilst racing, wear a PFD.**
- 10.4 Code Flag Y may be flown at the start to indicate ***all crews are to wear personal buoyancy.***
- 10.5 *It is recommended that all crew of yachts wear a suitable PFD while racing **FD's should be selected having due consideration for the sailing environment.***
- 10.6 Class dispensations already approved by YA or State Yachting Authority will be recognised.
- 10.7 Safety equipment shall be available for inspection on request.
- 10.8 A yacht reported as not complying with mandatory safety regulations during the race may incur disqualification after protest.

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 **St. Helens Facilities:** Public BBQ facilities, public toilets and showers (cold) available at St Helens (adjacent to Coast Guard).
- 12.3 **Post-Presentation:** BBQ (sausages, hamburgers and salads) or alternative will be available for \$10-00 at the GTYC clubhouse or nearby alternative venue, after the trophy presentation.

Entry Form

2017 “Cluster Cup” Yacht Race

Boat Reg. No: _____ Yacht Name: _____

Colour: Hull: _____ Deck: _____ Mainsail N^o: _____
CBH: _____ Class: _____ Drop Keel/Swing Keel (circle as applicable)

Owner/Skipper's name: _____ Division entered: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Post code: _____

Phone: Home:() _____ Business:() _____ Emergency:() _____

On-board mobile phone N^o: _____ Email address: _____

Name of Club of which you are a member: _____

Crew names and phone Nos:

1. _____ Phone: _____
2. _____ Phone: _____
3. _____ Phone: _____
4. _____ Phone: _____

Entry Fee:

\$30.00

Total due \$ _____

**Payment Method: Either by cheque payable to GTYC and mailed to
GTYC Q2G, PO Box 899, Geelong Vic. 3220. or Direct deposit with name and “Cluster”
to Geelong Trailable Yacht Club Inc; BSB 063512; A/c No. 0091 3771**

I hereby:

1. Declare that entered yacht conforms to the class rules requirements for the CBH claimed, **or** the yacht varies from class rules and or CBH as per the attached certification.
2. Declare that I will not hold GTYC Inc. or any associated party liable for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during or after the race.
3. Agree to sail in fair competition under Class Rules, the 2013–2016 YA Racing Rules of Sailing and Special Regulations Part 1, **Cat. 5**, all as amended by the Sailing Instructions.
4. Declare that all information provided is true and correct and that I will make my yacht available for measuring upon request by a member of the Race Committee.
5. Acknowledge and understand that Rule 4, “Decision to Race”, places the sole responsibility on the boat for deciding whether or not to start, or to continue racing.
6. Declare that my yacht is covered by third party liability insurance of at least \$5M.

Signed _____ Skipper/Owner Dated ____/____/2017

**Post to: The Secretary, Geelong Trailable Yacht Club Inc. P.O. Box 899, Geelong.
3220 or email to commodore@gtyc.com.au**

Club Use: Date Received

Amount Received \$

Date Entered