



International Skiff Regatta **For 12, 13, 14, 16 & 18 foot skiffs**

The regatta will be held on the waters of Corio Bay in the vicinity of Royal Geelong Yacht Club.

The regatta will incorporate the 12ft Skiff Interdominion Championships, the 13ft Skiff Australian Championships, The International 14ft Skiff Australian Championships and the 16ft Skiff Australian Championships

January 12th – 20th, 2007

The Organising Authority is Yachting Victoria (YV) Inc.

All racing will be conducted by Royal Geelong Yacht Club Inc.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2** The Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Yachting Australia Inc. Part 2 will apply

2 ADDITIONAL IDENTIFICATION

(a) The Organising Authority may require boats to display event sponsors advertising in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.3.(d) (i)

When advertising is supplied, it shall be affixed as follows:

A decal (which may incorporate a bow number and sponsors logo and which may not be reduced in size) shall be affixed on each side of the hull, parallel to the deck with:

- (i) the forward edge between 200 & 250 mm from the bow of the boat.
- (ii) the top edge no further than 75mm from the deck of the boat.

All decals will be provided at Registration.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located adjacent to the slipway crossing.

4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1000 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 hours on the day before it will take effect.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flag pole located on the first floor balcony of the junior club house.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 40 minutes' in the race signal AP.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 Dates of Racing & Number of Races:

CLASS		Fri 12 th Jan	Sat 13 th Jan	Sun 14 th Jan	Mon 15 th Jan	Tue 16 th Jan	Wed 17 th Jan	Thu 18 th Jan	Fri 19 th Jan	Sat 20 th Jan
12ft Skiff	Course Race(s) Warning	B Inv.R 1600hr	A R1 1400hr	A R 2,R3 1500hr	Reserv e Day	A R4 1300hr	A R5,R6 1400hr	Reserve Day	A R7 1300hr	A R8 1400hr
13ft Skiff	Course Race(s) Warning	B Inv.R 1600hr	B R1 1500hr	B R2 1500hr	B R3 1500hr	Reserve Day	B R4 1500hr	B R5 1500hr	B R6 1500hr	B R7 1300hr
14ft Skiff	Course Race(s) Warning	B Inv.R 1600hr	Reg & Meas	A R1 1300hr	A R2,R3 1400hr	A R4,R5 1500hr	Reserve Day	A R6,R7 1400hr	A R8,R9 1500hr	A R10 1200hr
16ft Skiff	Course Race(s) Warning	B Inv.R 1600hr	B R1 1510hr	B R2 1510hr	B R3 1510hr	Reserve Day	B R4 1510hr	B R5 1510hr	B R6 1510hr	B R7 1310hr
18ft Skiff	Course Race(s) Warning					B R1,R2 1200hr	B R3,R4 1200hr	B R5,R6 1200hr	B R7,R8 1200hr	

- 6.2 Reserve days may be used if races are not completed as scheduled or if the race committee considers it unlikely that races will be completed as scheduled.
- 6.3 When more than one race will be held on the same day, the warning signal for the succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable. To alert boats that a succeeding race will begin soon, an Answering Pennant (AP) will be displayed from the start boat for at least four minutes before a warning signal is displayed.
- 6.4 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 15:30 hours.

7 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Flag</i>
12ft Skiff	Class Flag
13ft Skiff	Class Flag
14ft Skiff	Class Flag
16ft Skiff	Class Flag
18ft Skiff	Class Flag

8 RACING AREAS

8.1 The course racing areas will be displayed on the official notice board.

8.2 Classes are assigned to racing areas as detailed in SI 6.1

9 THE COURSES

9.1 The diagrams in Attachment 1 show the courses, including the course signals, approximate angles between legs, and the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat may display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

10 MARKS

10.1

Mark	B Course	A Course
Start / Finish	Race Committee Vessel	Race Committee Vessel
Start / Finish (pin)	Black Cone Buoy	Black Cone Buoy
Rounding Marks	Orange Buoys	Yellow Buoys
Change of Course (as per SI 12.1)	Medium Yellow Truncated Cone	Yellow Black Banded Buoy

10.2 A clearance mark may be laid in the vicinity of the race committee vessel (or streamed from the committee vessel). When laid, boats shall leave the clearance mark on the same required side as the race committee vessel. Boats shall not pass between the race committee vessel and the clearance mark.

11 THE START

11.1 Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.

11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting mark at the starboard end and the port-end pin mark.

11.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.

11.4 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rules A4 and A5.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

13 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the finishing mark and the distant end finishing pin mark

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1** For all class(es) rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.
- 14.2** A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under rule 31.2 or 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgment form at the race office within the protest time limit.
- 14.3** As provided in rule 67, the protest committee may, without a hearing, penalize a boat that has broken rule 42.

15 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 15.1** Time limits and target times are as follows:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Time limit</i>	<i>Target Time</i>
12ft Skiff (single race)	180min	90min
12ft Skiff (back to back race)	110min	60min
13ft Skiff	180min	90min
14ft Skiff (single race)	180min	90min
14ft Skiff (back to back race)	100min	50min
16ft Skiff	180min	90min
18ft Skiff	80min	40min

- 15.2** Boats failing to finish within 25 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes for back to back races and 40 minutes for single races will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1** Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 16.2** For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee and protest committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.]
- 16.3** Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the jury room, located in the RGYC board room, beginning at the time posted.
- 16.4** Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 16.5** A list of boats that, under instruction 14.3, have been disqualified by the protest committee will be posted before the protest time limit.
- 16.6** Breaches of instructions 2, 11.3, 14.2, 18, 22, 23 and 24 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- 16.7** On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
- (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.
- This changes rule 66.

- 16.8** On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress from a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.
- 16.9** Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in rule 70.4.
- 17** **SCORING**
The Bonus Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply to the 12ft Skiffs only.
- 17.1** **3** races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.2** (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
(b) When from 5 to 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
(c) When from 8 to 10 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her 2 worst score.
- 17.3** To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat shall complete a scoring enquiry form available at the race office.
- 17.4** The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under instruction 16.6 will be DPI.
- 18** **SAFETY REGULATIONS**
- 18.1** **Sign-On: Sign-Off:**
For each race or race session each boat intending to race shall personally 'sign-on' in the race administration area on the upstairs balcony of the junior club house prior to the warning signal of the race or race session and shall sign-off upon returning to shore, but no later than the end of protest time for that day. Failure to comply with this sailing instruction may result in a boat being penalised for one or more races of that day.
- 18.2** **Personal Flotation Devices:**
All competitors shall wear whilst racing, personal flotation devices which are in good condition and in accordance with the specifications issued or approved by a national authority affiliated to the International Sailing Federation, or a standards organisation, or certification authority, recognised for the purpose by its respective government.
Attention is drawn to Fundamental Rule 1.2
- 18.3** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 19** **REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**
Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 20** **EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**
A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.
- 21** **OFFICIAL BOATS**
Official boats will be marked as follows: They will display the RGYC Burgee.

22 SUPPORT BOATS

Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing and more than 50 metres clear of any mark of the course from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

23 TRASH DISPOSAL

Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

24 BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the boat park.

25 RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

26 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each class.

Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Committee and the Australian Class Associations of the classes involved.

27 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority and Royal Geelong Yacht Club Inc. 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.

28 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD\$1,000,000 (recommended \$AUD\$10,000,000) per event or the equivalent in other currency.

ATTACHMENT 1 COURSES

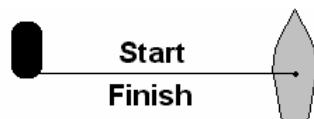
Windward-Leeward Course

18ft Skiffs only

Course 1, Numeral 1 Start – 1 – 1A - 2 – 1 – 1A – Finish Downwind

Course 2, Numeral 2 Start - 1 – 1A – 2 – 1 – 1A – 2 – 1 – 1A – Finish Downwind

Marks to Port



Windward-Leeward-Triangle Course **14 ft Skiffs only**

Course 1, Numeral 1, Start – 1 – 1A – 3 – 1 – 1A – 2 – 3 – 1 – 1A – Finish downwind

Course 2, Numeral 2, Start – 1 – 1A – 3 – 1 – 1A – 2 – 3 – 1 – 1A – 3 – Finish upwind

Marks to Port



Trapezoid Courses

Trapezoid Outer **13 ft Skiffs**

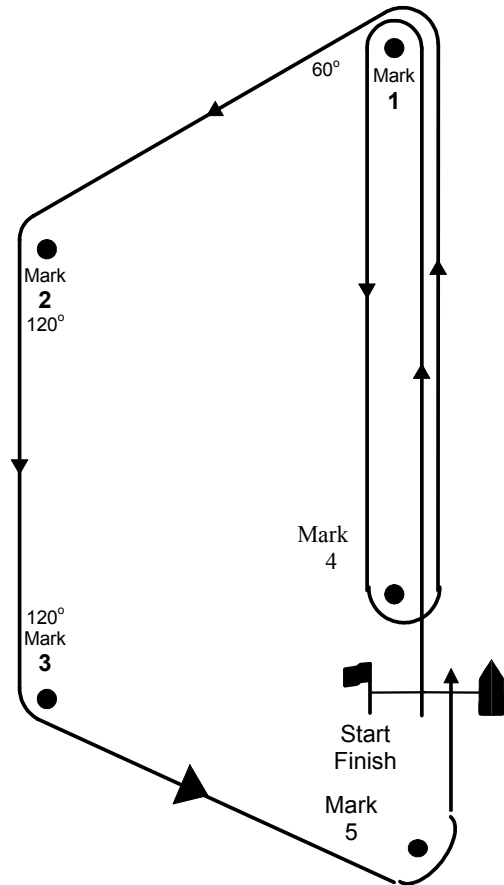
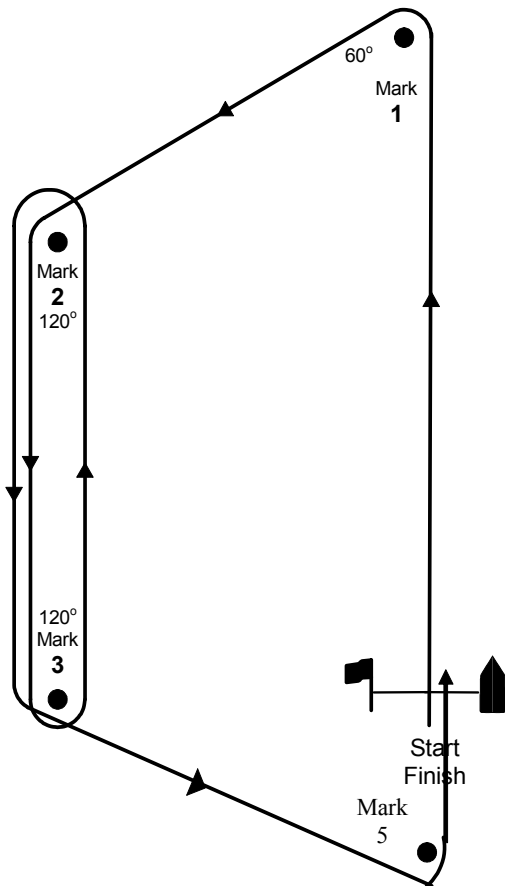
Trapezoid Inner **16 ft Skiffs**

Course Numeral 1: Start-1-2-3-2-3-5- Finish

Start-1-4-1-2-3-5-Finish

Course Numeral 2: Start 1-2-3-2-3-2-3-5-Finish

Start-1-4-1-4-1-2-3-5-Finish



Triangle - Windward-Leeward- Course **12 ft Skiffs only**

Course 1, Numeral 1, Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 1 - 3 - 1 - 2 - 3 - 1 - Finish downwind

Course 2, Numeral 2, Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 1 - 3 - 1 - Finish downwind

Course 3, Numeral 3, Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 1 - 3 - 1 - 2 - 3 - Finish upwind

Marks to Port
Course 1 & 2

