

Notice of Race

# 2018 ORCV Women Skippers & Navigators Yacht Race



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The Ocean Racing Club of Victoria (ORCV) and the YV Women and Girls in Sailing Committee (WGISC) are once again offering the ORCV Women Skippers & Navigators Race which will be run as a return race from Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron to Sandringham following the Blairgowrie Passage Race of the ORCV Winter Series on the previous day.

This event will provide further opportunities for women keelboat sailors to participate more actively in keelboat racing beyond "round the sticks" racing and will provide exposure to other skill areas including navigation, weather, radio procedures and crew management.

So whether you are already a member or participant in ORCV events, a regular Bay sailor who has an interest in passage/offshore racing and navigation, or a more novice sailor on board a cruiser or racing boat not currently engaged in racing, we encourage you all to come along and develop skills in key roles.

The requirements for participation in the race will be as follows:

- Helm(s), Navigator and Radio Operator positions to be occupied by women. These roles could be shared amongst several female crew or, on smaller boats, the female helm may also be the navigator.
- Navigators are encouraged to submit a log of their passage.



- Radio Operators to conduct the mandatory sign on and radio schedules. The radio operator may also be the navigator.

So Ladies, speak to your boat owners now and organise your crew for a fantastic event. Make it a great weekend by starting with the Winter Series Blairgowrie Passage Race, enjoying the great party on Saturday night and then stepping up to running the boat for the race home on Sunday.

Note: you can enter this single race separately from the Winter Series.

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# NOTICE OF RACE

**THE 2018 ORCV WOMEN SKIPPERS & NAVIGATORS YACHT RACE WILL BE CONDUCTED ON THE WATERS OF PORT PHILLIP AND CORIO BAY. OWNERS OF ELIGIBLE BOATS ARE INVITED TO ENTER THIS RACE UNDER THE CONDITIONS OF THIS NOTICE OF RACE. THE RACE IS ORGANISED AND CONDUCTED BY THE OCEAN RACING CLUB OF VICTORIA (ORCV) INC WITH THE COOPERATION OF THE BLAIRGOWRIE YACHT SQUADRON AND IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE YACHTING VICTORIA WOMEN AND GIRLS IN SAILING COMMITTEE (WGISC).**

## 1. RACE

- 1.1 The first warning signal for the race will be displayed at 0925 Australian Eastern Standard Time (AEST) on Sunday, 8 July 2018.
- 1.2 This is a Category 6 event conducted from Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron to Sandringham Yacht Club.
- 1.3 The details of the courses including marks will be in the Sailing Instructions for the race.

## 2. RULES

- 2.1 The race will be governed by the current versions of:
  - The 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) of World Sailing (WS), together with the prescriptions and safety regulations of Australian Sailing (AS);
  - The Special Regulations of the Ocean Racing Club of Victoria (ORCV);
  - Where applicable, the rules and regulations of the Australian Measurement System (AMS) and the IRC Rule Parts A, B and C shall apply;
  - The International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea;

Except as amended by this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions for this race.

- 2.2 The ORCV reserves the right to amend this Notice of Race. Amendments will be published on the event website ([www.orcv.org.au](http://www.orcv.org.au)).
- 2.3 By entering this race, the owner of a boat agrees that this Notice of Race (including amendments) and the entry form, the rules and regulations referred to in paragraph 2.1 and the Sailing Instructions shall be complied with by the boat and by the owner.
- 2.4 The Sailing Instructions will be available through the ORCV website ([www.orcv.org.au](http://www.orcv.org.au)).

## 3. CATEGORIES AND DIVISIONS

- 3.1 The race will be conducted with the following handicap categories:
  - Unrestricted Monohull (IRC, AMS, PHS)
  - Double Handed (PHS)
  - Cruising Non-Spinnaker (PHS)
- 3.2 Where fewer than 5 entries are received for a category, other than the Double Handed category, the Race Committee reserves the right to reallocate those boats to another category.
- 3.3 A boat may enter any combination of categories for which it is eligible.

## 4. ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1 The race is open to yachts of a thoroughly seaworthy nature, which are entered by a member of a yacht club recognised by a State Yachting Authority.
- 4.2 Each yacht shall comply with the eligibility requirements listed in *Appendix A Yacht Eligibility Requirements*.
- 4.3 The ORCV may require re-measurement of any boat prior to the boat racing.
- 4.4 A decision of the ORCV or the Race Committee as to any matter under this paragraph (4), including as to whether a boat and her crew meet the eligibility criteria for entry in the race, is final and binding and will not be grounds for a request for redress.

## 5. APPLICATION FOR ENTRY

- 5.1 An application for entry must be made on the ORCV's online entry system at [www.orcv.org.au](http://www.orcv.org.au).
- 5.2 Single entry to this race is available
- 5.3 Boats entered in the 2018 ORCV Winter Series are required to submit an entry for this race with a simplified crew list nominating the female helm, navigator and radio operator.



- 5.4 A completed application for entry shall be received by the ORCV by 1200 on Wednesday, 4 July 2018. The ORCV will consider entries after that date but the entry may not be accepted. Any late entries that are accepted may not appear in any fleet guide and might not be eligible to receive crew shirts and other paraphernalia if provided.
- 5.5 The ORCV is not obliged to accept an application for entry.
- 5.6 In accordance with RRS 76.1, the ORCV may reject or cancel the entry of a boat that does not comply with the conditions of this Notice of Race.
- 5.7 A boat's rating certificate shall not be changed after 1700 on 6 July 2018 except as a result of a rating protest or to correct a rating office error.

## 6. FEES

- 6.1 Race entry fees may be paid by credit card, cheque, EFT or bank draft on submission of the entry form. All fees include Australian Goods and Services Tax (a tax invoice will be issued on request).

### 6.2 Race Entry

Race Entry fees are for the race and all eligible handicap categories.

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### 6.3 Refunds

The ORCV wishes to encourage entry to its events. However, races are expensive to organise and run, requiring a cancellation fee to be charged to cover administration costs.

A cancellation fee will apply where an entry to an event is cancelled within seven days of the event. For this race, the cancellation fee is \$15.

In addition, any costs that the Organising Authority have incurred for crew merchandise, e.g. shirts, caps, etc. will be charged if they have been incurred before the entry is cancelled.

When cancelling an entry, please provide account details (BSB, A/C Number) for refunding the entry fee balance.

## 7. SCORING

- 7.1 The race shall be scored using the Low point system (RRS Appendix A).
- 7.2 The scoring system will not be subject to protest or dispute (amends RRS 60.1 and 62.1(a)).

## 8. TROPHIES

- 8.1 Trophies will be presented for:
- Line Honours
  - First, Second and Third (if more than five entries in the handicap category) on corrected time within each handicap category
  - Navigator's prize for best log and radio reporting
- 8.2 There will also be a Novice Skipper Trophy awarded. To be eligible, skippers must be helming for the first time in the Women Skippers and Navigators Race and must nominate themselves as a novice upon entry by email to [orcv@orcv.org.au](mailto:orcv@orcv.org.au). The Organising Authority will review all nominations.
- 8.3 The presentation of trophies will be at the 2018 ORCV Annual General Meeting .

## 9. CHANGES TO RULES

- 9.1 RRS 41: Whilst racing a boat may retrieve data from any page of the event website details of which are provided in the Sailing Instructions, even if that page is not publicly available.
- 9.2 RRS 50.2 and 50.3: Fixed and retractable spinnaker poles and bowsprits will be permitted for the purpose of setting asymmetrical spinnakers.
- 9.3 RRS 51: A boat with movable ballast or variable ballast (within the meaning of those terms in the Special Regulations) may move that ballast for the purpose of changing trim or stability.
- 9.4 RRS 52: A boat may be modified to allow:
- self-steering equipment to be used by boats sailing Two-Handed, and
  - the adjustment of movable water ballast or canting keels on any boat.
- 9.5 RRS 55: The rule is changed by adding the following sentence to the rule: *However, discarding bands when setting a sail will not be considered a breach of rule 55.*
- 9.6 RRS 61.3: There is no time limit on protests by the Race Committee or the Protest Committee.
- 9.7 RRS 78.2: Valid rating/class certificates shall be produced by the due date specified in this Notice of Race.

## 10. EVENT CLASSIFICATION & ADVERTISING

- 10.1 Advertising on a boat shall comply with the requirements of WS Regulation 20 (WS Advertising Code) for Category C. The ORCV may decline to



accept an application for entry of a boat which, in its opinion, is carrying advertising which conflicts with governmental regulations. If in doubt, the ORCV should be consulted as soon as practicable.

- 10.2 The ORCV shall be advised of all advertising that a boat intends to carry. The ORCV shall be advised of all changes to that advertising.

## 11. TRADEMARKS & COPYRIGHT

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## 12. MEDIA RIGHTS AND RESTRICTIONS

- 12.1 It is a condition of entry that the owner of the boat and all crew members:

- acknowledge that the ORCV owns all media rights to the ORCV Women Skippers & Navigators Race and may exercise those rights as it sees fit.
- grant the ORCV the unconditional, perpetual right and authority to publish and broadcast

anywhere in the world, for any purpose and in any media, the names, images and biographical information relating to the crew and photographs, video footage and audio recordings taken of the boat and its crew prior to, during and after the race.

- 12.2 Crew members of boats may, prior to, during and after the race, speak or provide material to any media representatives accredited by the ORCV, regarding the race and the prospects, performance or strategy of boats entered or participating in the race, subject to any comments and material not undermining or interfering with, or having a detrimental impact on, the ORCV, any sponsor, partner clubs and their officers and employees, the Race Committee, the Protest Committee, measurers or current or former sponsors of the ORCV. This approval may be revoked by the ORCV in respect of a boat or media representative at any time.

- 12.3 Entrants acknowledge and accept the media restrictions referred to in this paragraph (12) by completing the entry formalities.

- 12.4 Any breach of these conditions may, at the discretion of the ORCV or the Race Committee, lead to the rejection of an entry, the cancellation of an entry or the disqualification of a boat (refer RRS 76.1). This does not limit the right of the ORCV to take any other action it sees fit to enforce compliance with these conditions.

## 13.DISCLAIMER

All those taking part in the race do so at their own risk and responsibility. Crew must acknowledge this and release the ORCV, any sponsor, RGYC and their respective officers, employees, volunteers and members from all liability.

Specific attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4, which states:

*"The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone"*

## 14.MOORING ARRANGEMENTS

- 14.1 Blairgowrie: In the BYS Marina as directed by BYS club officials.
- 14.2 Melbourne: Visiting yachts requiring moorings in Melbourne should advise the ORCV office as soon as possible.



# APPENDIX A YACHT ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Check	Category	Requirement
	Insurance	The owner of a boat entered in the race shall hold a valid public liability and third party property damage insurance policy with respect to the boat and valid while racing for an amount not less than A\$10 million.
	IRC Boats	<p>A boat may only be entered in the IRC Handicap Category if the boat:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• has a current, valid IRC Certificate, being an Endorsed Certificate issued by RORC; and</li> <li>• has been weighed on scales by an RORC approved measurer; and</li> <li>• complies with all of the current IRC Rules and Regulations, save to the extent they are specifically amended or excluded in this Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions (refer RRS 78.1).</li> </ul>
	AMS Boats	<p>A boat may only be entered in the AMS Handicap Category if the boat:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• has a current, valid AMS Certificate issued by YRSA Inc; and</li> <li>• complies with all of the current AMS Rules and Regulations, save to the extent they are specifically amended or excluded in this Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions (refer RRS 78.1).</li> </ul>
	Crew	<p>All persons sailing on competing boats shall be members of an Australian Sailing (AS) affiliated club.</p> <p>Helm, Navigator and Radio Operator positions are all to be occupied by women. Roles can be shared amongst several female crew or, on smaller boats, the roles may be performed by fewer people.</p> <p>Navigators are encouraged to submit a log of their passage.</p> <p>All radio operations must be carried out by women on board.</p>
	Radio	Each competing yacht shall carry a VHF transceiver with channels 12, 16, 67, 71, 73 and 82.

