

2026-2027 ORCV Coastal Championship

Notice of Series



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Amendments

Number	Sections Changed	Summary of Amendment

Key Information		
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The Coastal Championship is awarded to the best performing boat in the Monohull Race Category, determined using the AMS Handicap System results. Yachts in this Race Category may be sailed fully crewed, 4+autohelm or Double Handed as desired on a race-to-race basis.

The championship award is subject to the provisions of this Notice of Series and the NoR of the races from which a boat's score is drawn.

Competitors in the Double Handed Race Category are automatically entered in the Monohull Race Category and a Double Handed boat racing under the AMS Handicap System is therefore eligible to win the Coastal Championship as well as the Double Handed Championship, which is subject to a separate Notice of Series.

1. Points System and Designated Races

- 1.1. Race Points will be awarded to each boat entered and the Championship is determined by the results in the AMS Handicap System of each designated race in which the boat starts, using a weighted Low Point system defined as follows:

$$\text{Race Points} = (\text{Race Score as per RRS}) * (\text{Race Weight})$$

- 1.2. The Designated Races and their Race Weights for the purposes of scoring are:

Race	Start Date	Race Weight
Coastal Sprint Race 1	Saturday 19 September 2026	2
Coastal Sprint Race 2	Saturday 5 December 2026	2
Coastal Sprint Race 3	Saturday 17 April 2027	2
Melbourne to Wilson's Promontory	Friday 12 February 2027	0.5
Melbourne to Apollo Bay	Saturday 22 May 2027	1

2. Scoring

- 2.1. The ORCV Coastal Championship Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the boat which achieves the lowest number of Race Points based on each boat's AMS Handicap System results.
- 2.2. Each race must have at least 3 starters to count as a race towards a series result.
- 2.3. If a boat does not start in a race in the series, its score will be one point plus the number of starters for that race.
- 2.4. If all 5 designated Races are conducted, then the best 4 results will count for each yacht, that is, one drop.
- 2.5. If only 4 designated Races are conducted, then the best 3 results will count for each yacht, that is, one drop.
- 2.6. If only 3 designated Races are conducted, then the best 2 results will count for each yacht, that is, one drop.
- 2.7. If only 2 designated Races are conducted, then both results will count for each yacht, that is, no drops.
- 2.8. If only one designated series Race is conducted, then the Championship is cancelled.
- 2.9. For the ORCV Coastal Championship Trophy:
 - The results will be drawn from the Monohull Race Category.
 - Where the Monohull Race Category includes multiple Divisions, the calculation of Race Points will be based on the combined Monohull Race Category results.
- 2.10. A tied ORCV Coastal Championship score will be resolved using the Race Points from the Melbourne to Wilson's Promontory Race. If the Wilson's Promontory Race is not conducted, then the Melbourne to Apollo Bay race points will be used. If neither Race is held, this Championship will be cancelled.
- 2.11. The ORCV website will provide an updated series score on the completion of each of the designated races.

3. Trophies

- 3.1. The Coastal Championship Perpetual Trophy, together with a memento will be presented at the ORCV Annual Awards Evening.

4. Other Conditions

- 4.1. The ORCV reserves the right to amend this Notice of Series. Any amendments will be published on the ORCV website (www.orcv.org.au) and all entrants will be notified.
- 4.2. The owner of a boat must comply with the requirements and conditions of the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions for each of the designated races the yacht has entered.

5. Entries

- 5.1.1 A boat will be automatically entered into the ORCV Coastal Championship once it has entered one or more of the Races designated as part of this Series.
- 5.1.2 No additional entry fee is required for the ORCV Coastal Championship.

6. Trademarks and Copyright

- 6.1. "ORCV Coastal Championship" is a trademark of the Ocean Racing Club of Victoria Inc and the use of the trademark is absolutely restricted and limited to use by or with the consent of the ORCV.
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7. Past Winners of the ORCV Coastal Championship

Year	Winner	Skipper
2025-2026	Ginan	C. McKenzie/N. Jones
2024-2025	Ginan	C. McKenzie/N. Jones
2023-2024	Ginan	C. McKenzie/N. Jones
2022-2023	Ginan	C. McKenzie/N. Jones
2021-2022	True Colours	J. Strahan
2020-2021	Maverick	A. Hammond
2019-2020		Not Awarded