



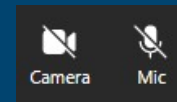
Welcome to the 2025 AGM

40th Annual General Meeting

14 October 2025

Welcome & Reminders

- Please turn off your camera and mute your microphone



- This session is being recorded

- We will be keeping attendees muted, so please **Raise your hand** (on the panel) or pop any questions into the **Chat** box



- We are not using webcams to preserve bandwidth / video quality



- We will be voting by exception so please write in **Chat** or **Raise your hand** if you object. No response will be interpreted as acceptance.

- We are all required to abide by the ORCV Code of Conduct

Located at www.orcv.org.au/club/governance

- Selecting “View” then “Focus on content” will provide a better experience



Agenda

6:45 – 7:00 pm	Chat online, audio check	Vanessa Twigg
7:00 – 7:05 pm	Apologies, Confirm Minutes of the 39th AGM	Vanessa Twigg
7:05 – 7:15 pm	Commodore Report	Cyrus Allen
7:15 – 7.25 pm	Sail Captain Report	David Schuller
7:25 – 7:30 pm	Treasurer Report	Peter Forbes
7:30 – 7.40 pm	Training Report	Paul Roberts
7:40 – 7.45 pm	Volunteers	Cyrus Allen
7:45 – 7:50 pm	Officer Nominations, Life Member and Honorary Life Members	Cyrus Allen
7:50 – 7:55 pm	ORCV Constitution	Vanessa Twigg
7:55 – 8:00 pm	General Business	Cyrus Allen
8:00 pm	Meeting close	Cyrus Allen



Apologies

Andrew Middleton

Melissa Warren

Peter Dowdney

Ray Shaw

Graeme Hart

Sean Hogan

Robert Bradley

Anthony Beck (proxy held)

Stuart Mellington



Confirmation of Minutes

Confirm the Minutes of the 39th Annual General Meeting held on 15 October 2024 and included on the ORCV website with the Notice of AGM:

[DRAFT 2024 AGM Minutes 15 Oct 2024.pdf](#)



Proposer: Vanessa Twigg, Secretary

Seconder: Paul Roberts, Vice Commodore

Commodore's Report

Cyrus Allen, Commodore

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Obituaries

David Boyle, ORCV Member





Partnership In Sailing



- Your club has an OTB committee, a social committee, a cruising group etc. - we are your ocean racing group; we are a part of your club.
- We organise races that include all clubs.
- We act in the interest of all clubs.
- We do not compete, we complement.

An unusual year

Commodore a participant in the 2025 Osaka Cup

Extended period 'out of office'

Amazing support from ORCV team, and individual leaders
stepping up





Melbourne To Osaka Double Handed Yacht Race

An outstanding team effort

2+ years planning

50+ volunteers

15 Yachts

5,500 nm

New and lasting friendships

Enduring Partnerships: OHYC, SYC



Slow Boat To Melbourne

Fabulous engagement & support

Rendezvous outside the Heads

Welcome & Logistics

Personal seminar

Tour of Medallia



Slow Boat To Melbourne



Women in Offshore

- Hosted **An Evening with Fika** – 200+ attendees, \$1,500 raised for women's program
- Relaunched the **Women Skippers, Navigators & Radio Operators Race**
- Launched **KISS ALIVE**, Victoria's first statewide women's keelboat network
- Waiting list of 90+ for **2026 KISS** program



Supporting the Next Gen

- **Participation up 73%** (37 → 64)
- **Membership up 64%** (11 → 18)
- 40% of Devonport crews included youths
- Attracting younger demographic volunteers: average age reducing from 60-→45 years.
- Next Gen Youth Program successful launch
- New "Deliveries" model: asking returning boats to take on youths for experience



Victoria's Container Deposit Scheme Outstanding Media Coverage of Sport Award at the 2024 Victorian Sport Awards.

Promoting sailing to new audiences
(youth and females)

Engaging race tracking
Reports
Storytelling



Australian Sailing Awards

Sustainability

Victorian &
National Winners

Sailors for the Sea:
Gold for Devonport &
Hobart events





A successful ORCV Awards night

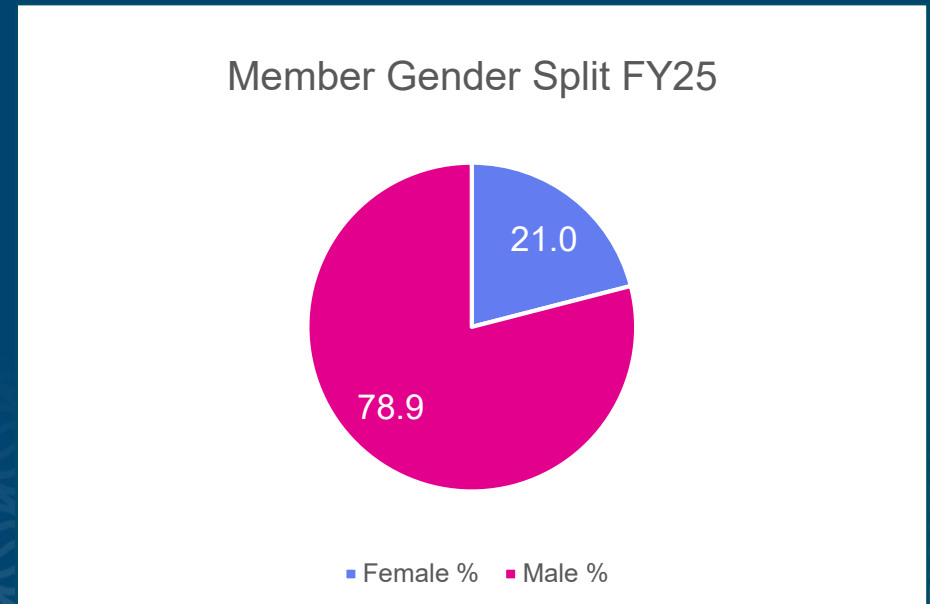


- Guest speakers Elizabeth Tucker and Dave Kenny
- Sold-out event with 160 attendees, with 42% female attendance
- 30 trophies and 60 mementoes and special awards presented



Membership

- Solid, steady membership volume



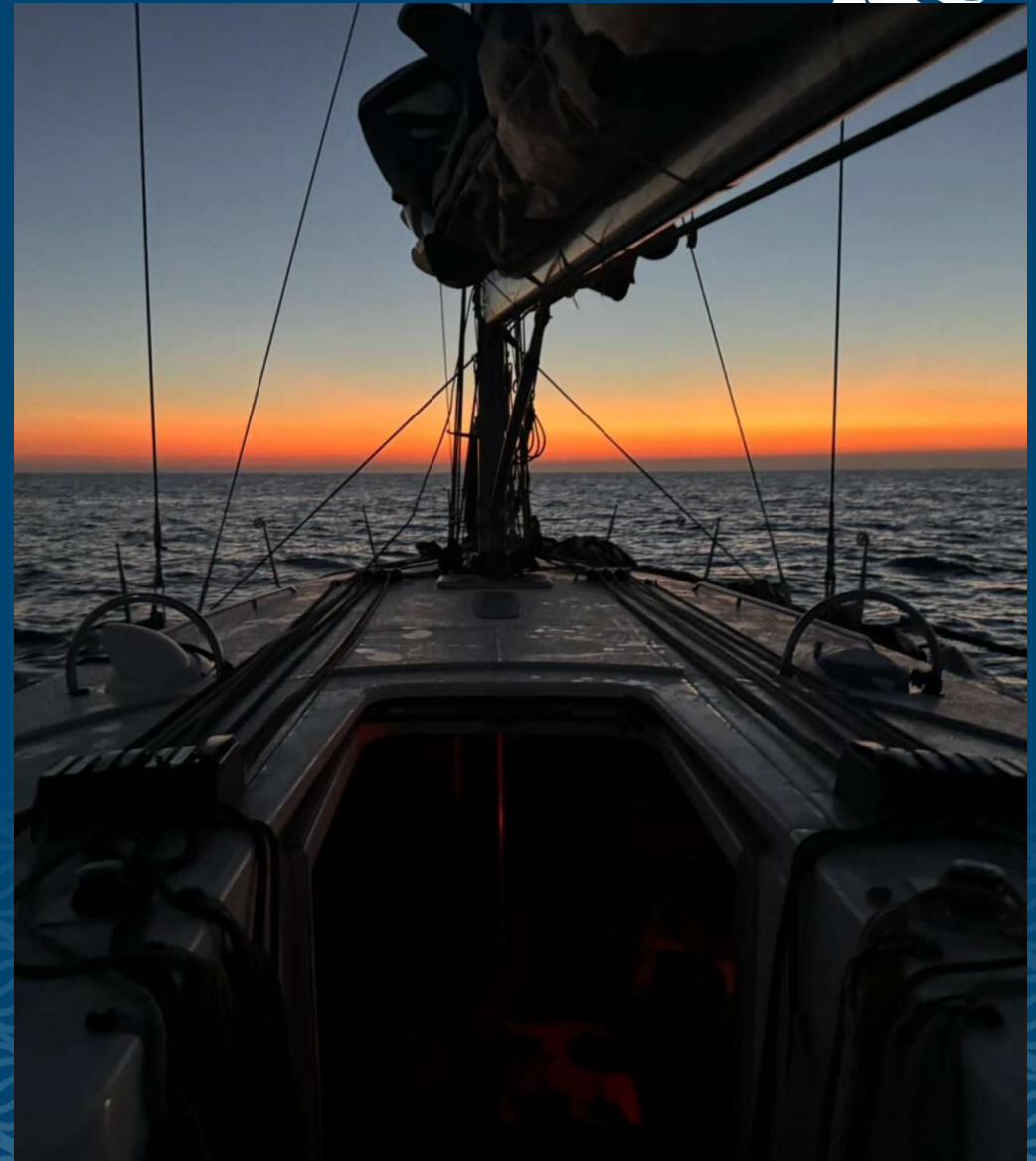


The Vision (recap)

Focus	FY25 Score Card
Continue to build the appeal of ocean sailing	Large, highly engaged audiences. Award-winning program of activity. ✓
Continue to grow membership with key programs	Membership steady, solid progress Women membership. ✓
Evolve volunteer program	New pathways, events, volunteers. ✓
Continue to look for programs to support participation including focus on diversity & inclusion	KISS Alive Program 2025. Next Gen Youth Program. Increased profiling women/youth. Return of the WHNR Race. ✓
Deepening partnerships with Bay Clubs as their offshore group	Very strong relationships around Port Phillip Bay & Tasmania. ✓
Sustainability	Strong, innovative & award-winning program. ✓
Financial & Operational Stability	Strong balance sheet, good investment income. However, cost challenges apparent. Strengthened succession framework. ✓

2026/7 Focus

- Sustain and grow our core program
 - Destination events
 - ORCV now home to KISS
 - Continue race management development pathway – 8 trainees on track to graduate as ARD in 2025
 - Expanded online (hybrid) program
 - Continue to explore new formats and races
- Strong member-base, increased female participation & youth membership %
- Solid succession framework
- Embed and leverage Sandy Coast Guard facility usage
- Financially viable so we can continue to invest in ocean racing & sailing.





Thank you

Our large team of volunteers,
Our official supporters,
Club partners,
Administration team, and
General Committee members.



Sail Captain's Report

David Schuller, Rear Commodore & Sail Captain



Season 2024-2025

Races	Entrants
Cat 2 Ocean Racing	
Melbourne to Devonport	38
Melbourne to Hobart	20
Melbourne to Port Fairy	8
Melbourne to King Island	23
Cat 3 Racing	
Coastal Sprints	21
Melbourne to Apollo Bay	31
Cat 5 Racing	
Winter Series / NR	57 / 15
Double Handed (incl RMYS 2H Race 2)	36
WHNR (KISS)	9
Cock of the Bay	75



Photo Christopher Howe



Season 2024-2025 – some highlights

Improving & Evolving ORCV Sailing Program and Race Management

- All races run for the season
- Sail committee met 10 times (5 in-person) which has proven to improve engagement, addressing special topics and decision making
- Sponsored AS Regional Race Officer accreditation for 4 RD's – Catherine North, Neville Rose, David Schuller, Jeremy Walton
- Sponsorship and coaching for the next generation of eight race officers in training
- Race documentation continuous improvement – simplification, greater readability of courses
- Race policy reviews and required race document updates – race fees, climate change, etc.
- Continued review/updating Exclusion Zones: increased port traffic, additional hazards in Bass Strait
- Formal re-engagement with bay club captains to avoid event calendar clashes, increase synergies
- Increasing engagement with Skippers – informal surveys, skippers' newsletter (new), skippers' season briefing (new)

Melbourne to Osaka 2025

Multi-discipline team delivered, supporting 17 DH starters

- Race planning, documentation, updated requirements
- Training preparation & delivery
- Enhanced incident management & medical knowledge/ processes
- Enhanced communication options – Starlink (16/17 boats)




Let's Enjoy Osaka Night!
With BBQ, Fireworks and Live Music

M2Oレースも佳境に入り、フィニッシュ直前が時々大変になって参ります。レース中ではありますが、大層に楽しめる皆様と一緒に楽しめるイベントをご用意しました。両方を存分に楽しんでください。お楽しみは万博会場である夢洲から観覧することができます。また、北港タンクによるライブも開催中です。皆様も楽しんでください。

日時：2025年4月28日(土) 17:00-19:30
会場：パームガーデン馬場 "プレミアムテラス" (<https://www.pg-maishima.com/>)
料金：お一人様2000円(税-別)飲み放題 会場は当日受付で支払いください
申込：URLまたはQRコードよりお申込みください。(4月23日締切)
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The M2O race is reaching its climax, with the finishing boats arriving into Osaka one after another. Although the race is still in progress, we have prepared a BBQ party for everyone in Osaka to enjoy together. Finishers and their families, guests from Australia, volunteers and OHYC members will all come together and have a great time! On the day, fireworks will be launched from Yumeshima, the site of the EXPO. A live performance by members of OHYC will also be held. We hope you will all come and join us!

Date: 28th April 2025 (Sat) 17:00-19:30
Place: Palm Garden Maishima "Premium Terrace" (<https://www.pg-maishima.com/>)
Charge: ¥2,000 (including BBQ and Beverage). Please pay on the day at counter of BBQ Place
Apply: From QR code or URL. (Closed Line: 23rd April)
<https://forms.gle/Ut18BxM6ocL3n6>

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Melbourne to Osaka 2025

A big thanks to:

Melbourne Osaka Organising Authority: George Shaw, Phil Burns, Grant Dunoon, Sally Williams

Race Management Team: Rob Tanner, David Schuller, Neville Rose, Martin Vaughan, Jeremy Walton, Ray Shaw, Ryan Blackstock, Catherine North, Glenda Pillifeant, Paul Roberts, Tyson Smallman, Josh Stuchbery, Grant Dunoon, Sally Williams, Delma Dunoon

International Jury: Paul Pascoe, Shoji Mashita, Masahiro "Mame" Yoshimoto, Ben Fels, Leonard Chin

National Equipment Auditors: Michael Blair, Justin Brenan, Rob Tanner, Leon Berry

Weather: Rod Smallman, Ray Shaw, Robin Hewitt, Andrew Roberts

Incident Management Team: Rik Head, Angela Riolo, Bruce Reidy, Joanne Harpur, Marg Goddard, Nick Lewis, Peter Forbes, Vanessa Brotto, Vanessa Twigg

Medical Support Team: Christian Kenfield, Andrew Jefferys, Bernard Allard, Darren Eger, Hester Freeman, Ian Michell, Kathy Yu, Leo Cantwell, Louise Scarrold, Prarthana Karanth, Prue Standen, Sharon Parsons, Simon Terry, Steven Nutter, Tim Lightfoot, Tony Walton, Simon Terry

Media Team: Grant Dunoon, Delma Dunoon, John Dynan, Ian McWilliams, Robyn Brooke, Sal Hicks, Chris Furey, Al Dillon, Shaun McKenna

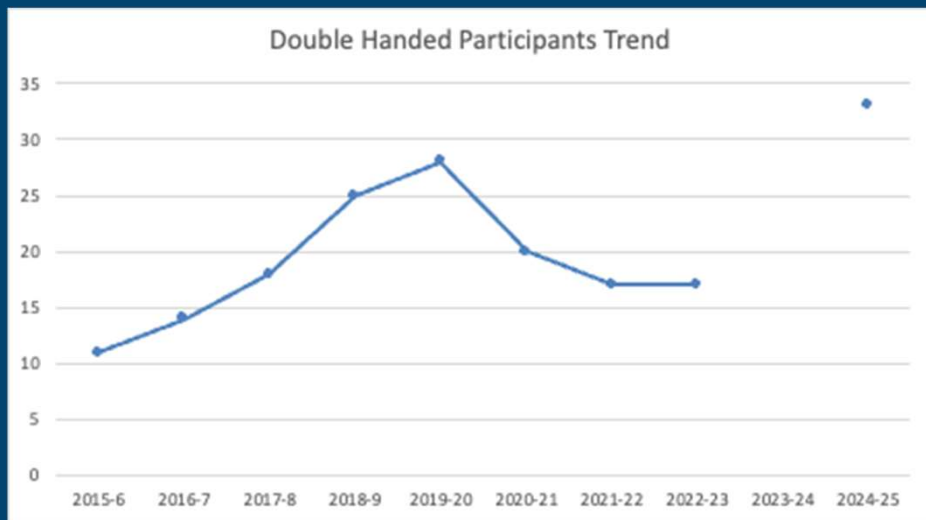
Other volunteers: Rosie Colahan, David James, Brian Pattinson, Tristan Pattinson, Julie Davis, Cheryle Rayson & Gary Golding, Di Pearson, Courtney Mead, Adrian Lewis, Annette Hesselmanns, Lillian Stewart, Georgie Mitchell, Tim Ford, Cyrus Allen

Supporting and Partner Organisations: Sorrento Sailing Couta Boat Club, Sandringham Yacht Club, Southern Peninsula Rescue Squad, Coastguard Queenscliff, Vic Ports

Melbourne City Marina, City of Melbourne, Australian Border Force (Melbourne, Eden, Brisbane, Bundaberg), Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron, Predictwind, Australian Border Force, Australian Maritime Safety Authority, Department Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, Blake Anderson – Doyles, Janet Wilks – Wilksie Marine

ORCV Season 2024-2025

Bay Racing Participation Trends

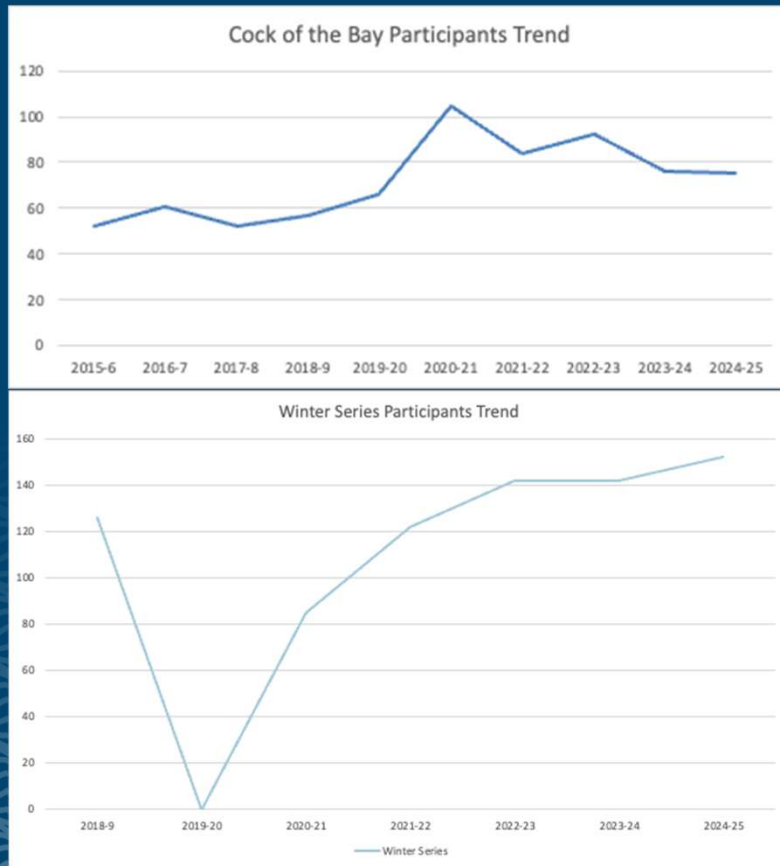


- Pilot inclusion of RMYS 2-Handed winter race #2
- Agreed with RMYS to continue in future, writing into clubs' NoRs



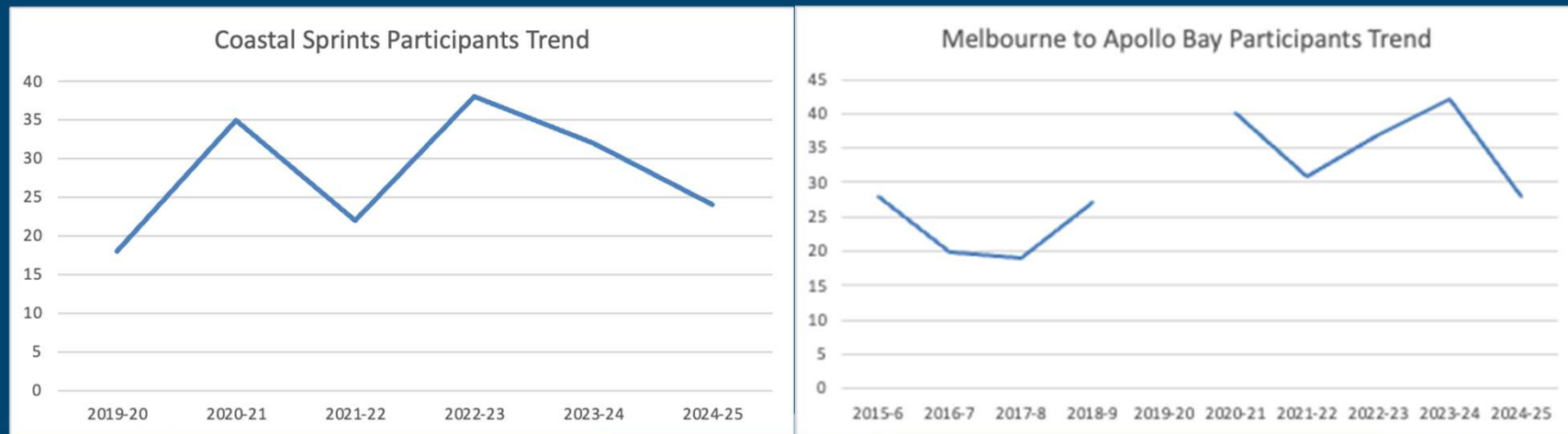
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Bay Racing Participation Trends



Season 2024-2025

Cat 3 racing Participation Trends

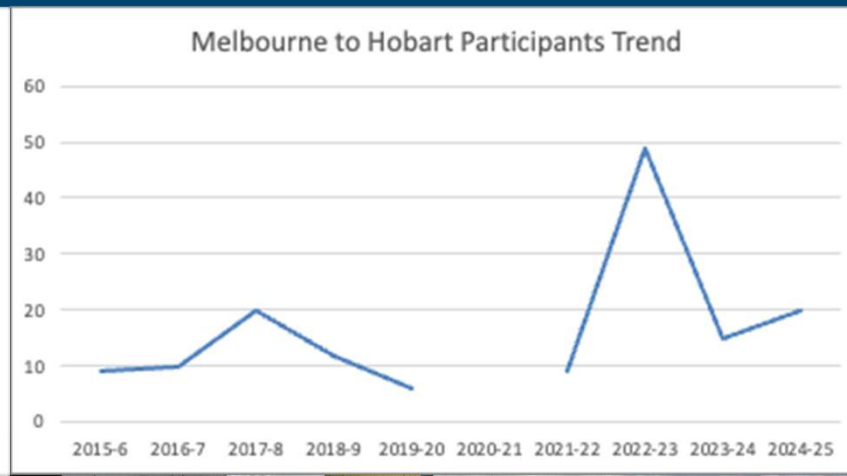
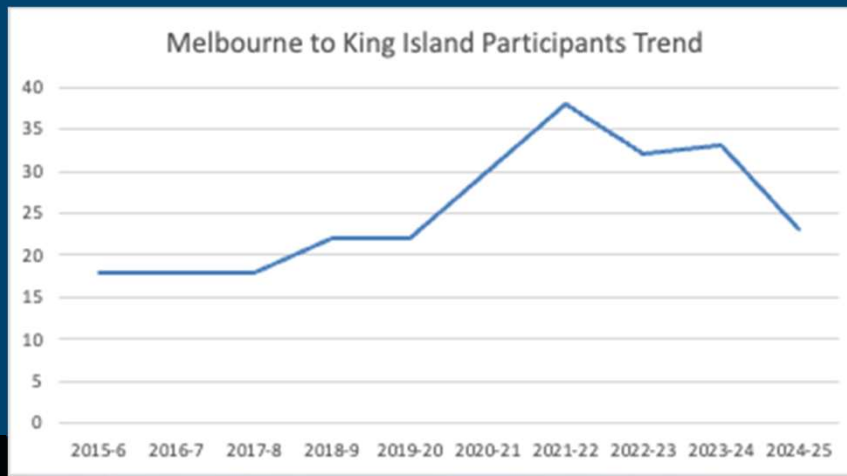


- 2/3 races run – 2019/20, 2022/23, 2024/25
- Including this season 3/4 CS1 races not run



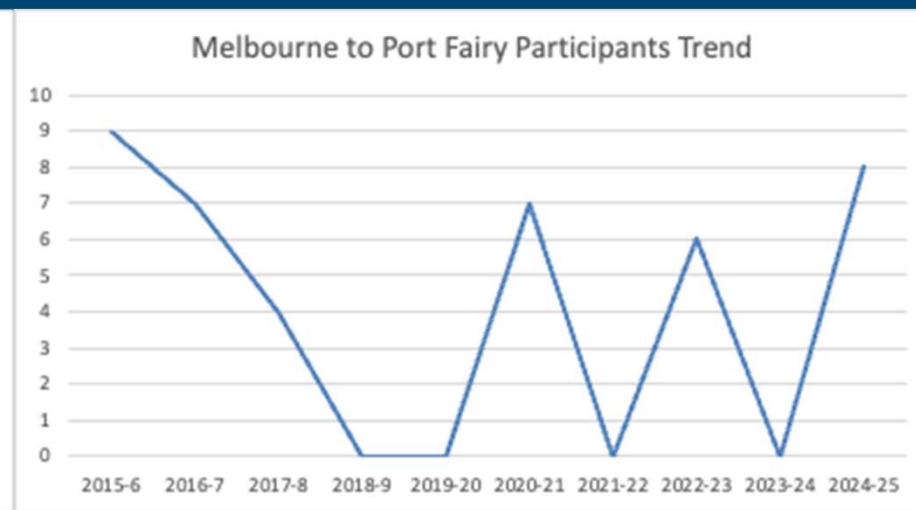
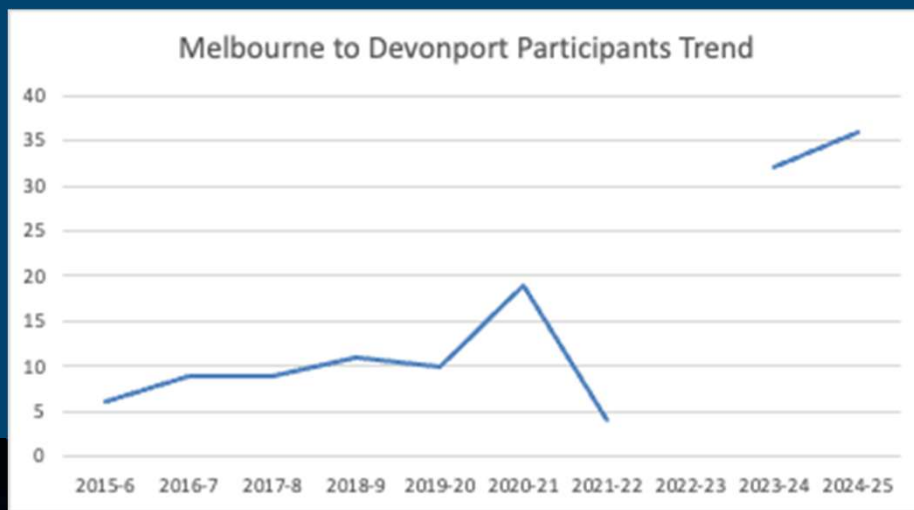
Season 2024-2025

Cat 2 racing Participation Trends



Season 2024-2025

Cat 2 racing Participation Trends



Note: Basis of graph varies from previous – i.e. zero means no race run



ORCV Race Director Development Pathway

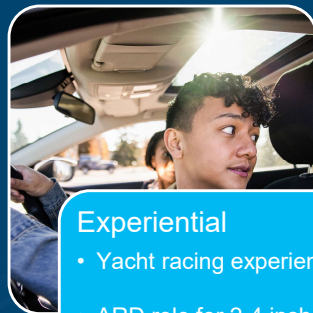
2025 Trainees: Martin Bennett, Andrew Burggraaff, Julie Davis, Peter Forbes, Andrew McConchie, Glenda Pillifeant, Angela Riolo, Josh Stuchbery

ARD accredited

RD accredited



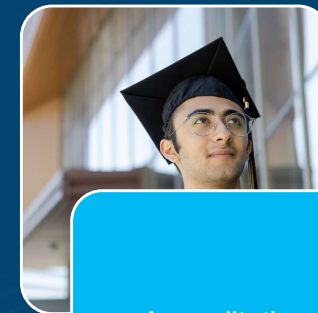
- Learning**
- RD Training *
 - IMT Training
 - SSSC
 - First Aid
 - SROCP (minimum)
 - Marine Licence (pref)



- Experiential**
- Yacht racing experience
 - ARD role for 2-4 inshore races
 - ARD role for 2-4 offshore races



- Mentorship**
- Working with accredited RD Mentor for at least half of Experiential step
 - Goes beyond "watch and learn"
 - Apprenticeship approach



**Accreditation
Graduation**

* ORCV delivered. In addition, AS Regional Race Officer Course after experience gained

Sailing Wrap

Another year of great sailing opportunities ahead

AND ON BEHALF OF THE FLEET

Thank you for those who have helped over the year
in the Cat 2-5 Races:

The Sail Committee, Race Champions, Race Operations Teams incl. IMT/Medical:

Martin Bennett, Ryan Blackstock, Justin Brenan, Vanessa Brotto, Rosie Colahan, Peter Davison, Simon Dryden,
Delma Dunoon, Peter Forbes, Marg Goddard, Joanne Harpur, Rik Head, Dr Prarthana Karanth, Nick Lewis,
Andrew McConchie, Andrew Middleton, Catherine North, Paul Roberts, Lee Renfree, David Richardson, Angela
Riolo, Ray Shaw, Dr Tim Lightfoot, Jeff Sloan, Tyson Smallman, Josh Stuchbery, Vanessa Twigg, Martin Vaughan,
Sally Williams,

the ORCV Office (Annabel and Hannah)

and the Marketing Team – Melissa, Krizza

And a special thanks to Justin Brenan for producing his annual “State of the Fleet” report for the Sail Committee,
which provides valuable data and insights we are sharing at this AGM





Treasurer's Report

Peter Forbes, Treasurer

Balance Sheet



As at 30 June	2025 \$	2024 \$
Cash	153,972	72,825
Receivables	43,067	24,149
Investments	1,213,360	1,085,727
Fixed Assets	278,053	305,064
Payables & Advances	(96,992)	(66,306)
Net Assets	1,591,460	1,421,459
Current Year Surplus	170,000	50,206
Retained Earnings & Reserves	1,421,460	1,371,253
Total Equity	1,591,460	1,421,459

Overall financial position is strong, with solid investments. Excluding the bequest received, operating cash on hand is slightly lower. Decrease in fixed assets is due to depreciation. Higher dividends receivable and trade debtors. Investments have increased with strong returns.

Liabilities have increased due to Beyond The Bay (BTB) training fees received in advance.

Income Statement



For the year ending 30 June	2025 \$	2024 \$
Memberships	117,765	108,246
Training	108,248	128,986
Race Fees	87,176	88,437
Sponsorships, grants, other	47,787	27,843
Total Income	360,976	353,512
Direct Expenses	-125,356	-103,964
Operating & Admin Expenses	-293,033	-258,317
Net Operating Deficit	-57,413	-8,769

Total income was higher with increase in members by 22 to 582. Offset by reduced race fees and training income due to lower participation. Other income increased with new sponsors and grants.

Higher race management costs and operating/administration expenses with general cost increases.



Non-operating Income

For the year ending 30 June	2025 \$	2024 \$
Net Operating Deficit	-57,413	-8,769
Bequest	83,172	-
Dividends and Interest Received	53,771	43,165
Realised P/L on sale of shares	35,913	-11,462
Unrealised P/L on sale of shares	63,852	35,977
Advisor fees	-9,295	-8,705
Net Surplus for the year	170,000	50,206

Operating deficit was offset by bequest received and investment performance, with net surplus for the year of \$170,000.

Higher interest rates and strong equity performance, particularly in 1H25, resulted in good returns. The ORCV Investment Portfolio increased to \$936,598 representing a return of 16% for the period.



Patricia Peart Bequest

The General Committee resolved to preserve the capital for long term programs and apply around 5% annually to:

- ORCV Race Management Development Program – provide an annual budget to develop and grow race management capability.
- ORCV Beyond The Bay Scholarship – provide a package for 2 people to complete the BTB program.



Training Report

Paul Roberts, Vice Commodore
& Head of Training



Training Highlights

- Safety & Sea Survival Course (SSSC) continues to delivery with online updates
- New Sandringham Coast Guard Building for storage and training
- Beyond the Bay program this year with 37 participants
- KISS Program to be run in 2026
- New Tactical Navigator Course and Offshore Sails presentation
- Many programs SOLD OUT – full capacity



Training Summary

- Safety & Sea Survival - 4 Dates, Full and Refresher
- Beyond the Bay with Coastal Bass Strait Sail
- Navigation Fundamentals and new Tactical Navigator
- Weather Fundamentals - 1 Group over 3 nights online
- Offshore Sails Selection new presentation
- Race Director / IMT Training - 1 session
- KISS Training
- Foredeck Essentials - 1 Group in person
- Rip Tour - 1 Tour: practical on-water, in person





Huge thanks to all training volunteers

- Content Development & Review
- Online Development
- Online Presenters
- In-person Presenters





Training Directions - 2026

- Sustain our core program:
SSSC, Rip Tour, Navigation, Weather, Foredeck Essentials,
RD & IMT development
- Support KISS program
- Continue evolution of online training content
- New presentation workshops for Cat 2 preparation
- New SSSC Instructor program with new qualified
instructors
- Formation of a new Training Committee

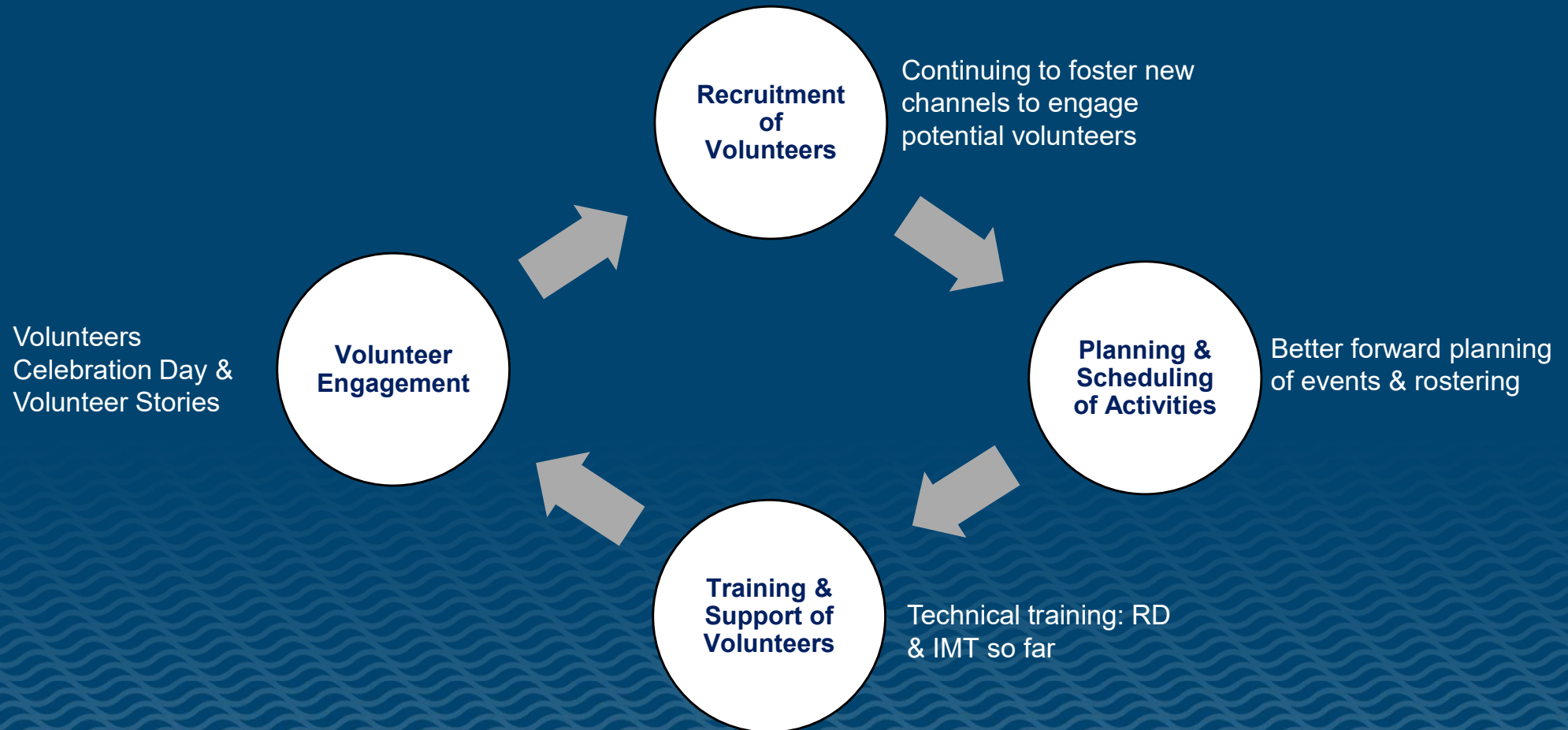




Volunteers

Cyrus Allen, Commodore

The Volunteer Pathways Goal



Thank you to the 100+ Volunteers in 2024/2025



Aidan Geysen
Al Dillon
Andrew McConchie
Andrew Middleton
Andrew McConchie
Andrew Burggraaff
Andrew Vincent
Andrew Fisk
Angela Riolo
Ben Fels & SBSC Start team
Blake Andersen
Brian Mills
Brian McDermott
Bruce Reidy
Catherine North
Christian Kenfield
Christie Hamilton
Cyrus Allen
Dale Laurie
David Richardson
David Schuller
David Sturge
David Hewison

David James
David Kneen
Dean Davenport
Delma Dunoon
Donald Fraser
Gary Tomlins
George Shaw
Glenda Pillifeant
Grant Dunoon
Greg Clinnick
Hannah Williams
Hugh Halliburton
Ian McGrath
Jack Furey
James Russell
Jeff Sloan
Jeremy Walton
Jo-Anne Harpur
Jock Macadie
John Wemyss
John Donati
Joseph Wetzels
Josh Stuchbery

Julie Davis
Justin Brenan
Kathy Grant
Lee Renfree
Lillian Stewart
Louis Irving
Lucio Pezzimenti
Maddie Scambary-speller
Malcolm Eaton
Marg Goddard
Marissa McManus
Mark Welsh
Martin Vaughan
Marty Bennett
Matt Fahey
Melissa Warren
Merita Devson
Michael McTavish
Michael Naughton
Michael Blair
Michael Currie
Michael Coulter
Neville Rose

Noel May
Paul Pascoe
Paul Roberts
Paul Buchholz
Peter Wilson
Peter Davison
Peter Forbes
Peter Dowdney
Prarantha Karanth
Prue Standen
Ray Shaw
Rik Head
Robert Tanner
Robin & Val Hewitt
Robyn Brooke
Rod Smallman
Rosie Colahan
Ryan Blackstock
Sally Williams
Simon Dryden
Steb Fisher
Steve Twentyman
Sue Leaper

Terry Barridge
Tim Boucaut
Tim Fowler
Tim Godbert
Tony Walton
Tyson Smallman
Vanessa Twigg
Vanessa Brotto
Vicki Bayly
Yann Dunlop



Motions:

That the Commodore's, Treasurer's, Sailing and Training Reports, and the annual financial statements for the year ending 30 June 2025 be approved.

That the General Committee is authorised to select and appoint a qualified auditor for the upcoming financial year ending 30 June 2026, and to negotiate the terms of the auditor's appointment.

Proposer: Paul Roberts, Vice Commodore
Seconder: David Schuller, Rear Commodore



General Committee Positions

Vanessa Twigg, Secretary



No voting was required as we only received nominations for 3 positions

Vanessa Twigg, Secretary



New Committee member

Welcome to new Committee Member
Peter Dowdney





Officer and General Committee for 2025/2026

Commodore

Cyrus Allen

Vice Commodore

Paul Roberts

Rear Commodore

David Schuller

Treasurer

Peter Forbes

Secretary

Vanessa Twigg

General Committee

Melissa Warren

Vanessa Brotto

Peter Dowdney

Retiring Officers

Yann Dunlop
Treasurer

Andrew Middleton,
General Committee





Honorary Members

Cyrus Allen, Commodore



Honorary Member

Gary Tomlins OAM

Queenscliff Coast Guard

30+ years of race starts

Boat handling and Rip transit advice

The odd tow



Honorary Member

Sally Williams

ORCV administrator, volunteer &
2025 Melbourne to Osaka administrator





Honorary Life Members

Cyrus Allen, Commodore



Honorary Life Members

Freddie L Cook

W.L. (Bill) Wakefield

Dr Frank (Bushy) Bennell

Jack Livingston

Ron Elliot

Stan W Gibson

Henry H Blake

Ron Langman

Warwick Hoban

Ken Black

Ken King

Ron White

Lionel Wish-Wilson

David Spriggs

Robin Hewitt

Peter Clancy

Don Fraser

Noel May

Simon Dryden

George Shaw

Ray Shaw

Neville Rose

Angus Fletcher

Martin Vaughan

Grant Dunoon

Delma Dunoon



Governance

Vanessa Twigg, Secretary



Any Other General Business

Cyrus Allen, Commodore

Thank you Sponsors, Supporters and Partners

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Supporters



Partners





Thank you