

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Gippsland Lakes Yacht Club Inc

Easter Regatta 2024

The Organising Authority is Gippsland Lakes Yacht Club Inc. (GLYC).

1. Rules

- 1.1. All races will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. The Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 1 shall apply for keel boats and trailable yachts.
- 1.3. The Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 shall apply for Off the Beach (OTB) boats.
- 1.4. The rules of an applicable class, measurement, or handicap system.
- 1.5. These Sailing Instructions for the 2024 Easter regatta and any supplementary Sailing Instructions that will be displayed on the Official Notice Board prior to each race.

2. Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 2.1. Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board not less than one hour before the scheduled start time of the race affected.
- 2.2. Any change to the schedule of races will be posted not later than 1900 hours on the day before it will take effect.

3. Communications with Competitors

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the 'breezeway'. Where possible information may also be displayed on the club website.
- 3.2. An information session will be held near to the Breezeway one hour prior to the time of the first warning signal.
- 3.3. Radio Communications
 - 3.3.1.GLYC Race Control monitors the designated race frequency VHF Ch 77. The call sign of Gippsland Lakes Yacht Club Clubhouse is 'SG'.
 - 3.3.2.All Division 2 boats will monitor the designated VHF Radio race frequency whilst racing.

4. Signals made Ashore

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole adjacent to the clubhouse. Signals will be made in accordance with RRS Race Signals except as below.
- 4.2. **Flag 'AP'** with two sound signals means that the race is postponed. When displayed, a new warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after the postponement signal ashore is lowered.

5. Schedule of Races

5.1. The schedule of races will be as defined in the 2024 Easter Regatta Notice of Race, and is repeated here:-

Day	Race	Briefing	1st Warning Signal at
		Time	
Saturday	Classic 30nm long distance race	09:00	10:00
Sunday	Cock 'o' Lake around Raymond Island	13:00	14:00
Monday	Lake Victoria Triangle	10:00	11:00

6. Class Flags

Combined Divisions	Navai Numerai 4 Flag "Q"	
Division 3 Division 4	Naval Numeral 3 Naval Numeral 4	
Division 2	Naval Numeral 2	
Division 1	Naval Numeral 1	

7. Racing Area

7.1. Racing is conducted on the waters of the Gippsland Lakes, mainly on Lake Victoria, unless otherwise defined in the SSI's.

8. Courses

- 8.1. The passage race courses for the Classic 30nm & Cock 'o' Lake Around Raymond Island will be displayed on the Race noticeboard in the Breezeway and a course diagram will be made available at briefing prior to the race each day.
- 8.2. The Lake Victoria Triangle courses will be predominantly Triangular or Windward Leeward style.

9. Marks

- Laid Course Marks will be orange or yellow inflatable type truncated cones.
- 9.2. The Start mark will be a Pin buoy flying an Orange flag.
- 9.3. All Fixed Navigation marks not detailed as race marks are deemed marks of the course and must be passed on the appropriate side.

10. Sign-on and Sign-off

- 10.1. On the day of the race, and before going afloat, the person in charge (RRS 46) shall sign on for the race on the sheet provided at the entrance to the breezeway.
- 10.2. At the conclusion of racing the boat shall sign off on the sheet provided at the entrance to the breezeway.
- 10.3. For races finishing at the Clubhouse, sailing through the finish line will signify signing off.
- 10.4. Boats that retire and/or do not finish shall inform the Tower/Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity. This shall be done by the expiration of the time limit for the race.
- 10.5. Boats that fail to complete the Sign-on and Sign-off procedures may be subject to disqualification.

11. The Start

- 11.1. Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26 with the warning signal for the first division made 3 minutes before the starting signal and with the preparatory signal one minute after the warning signal. This changes RRS26.
- 11.2. Sequential starting of subsequent divisions will follow with the start of the preceding division being the next warning signal.
- 11.3. General Recalls will be restarted at the end of the start order.
- 11.4. A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4.1

12. The Start Line

- 12.1. The start line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Committee Boat at the starboard end, and the port end starting mark with an orange flag.
- 12.2. A clearance mark may be laid attached to the Committee Boat and is considered as part of the Committee Boat.

13. Change of Course after the Start

13.1. There will be no course changes made during this regatta with the exception being in the Lake Victoria Triangle Race where the last leg of the course to the Finish may be changed to make that leg a true beat for the first boat to round the leeward mark. Course Change will be in accordance of Rule 33.

14. Shortening the Course after the Start

14.1. For the Classic 30 - in addition to Rule 32.2, if code flag 'S' is attached to a mark of the course, boats shall pass or round that mark on the specified side and then proceed from that mark to cross the finish line in the direction shown on the course description, passing all navigation marks on the correct side.

15. The Finish

- 15.1. **Committee Boat -** The Finish line will be between a staff displaying a Blue flag on the Committee Boat, and a finishing mark with an orange flag or a designated mark of the course.
- 15.2. **Clubhouse Finish** The Finish Line will be an extension of the line from the GLYC Tower to the light pole on the Grassy Point Jetty.

16. Time Limits

- 16.1. For the Classic 30nm race & Cock 'o' Lake Around Raymond Island race the time limit will be Sunset.
- 16.2. For the Lake Victoria Triangle race the time limit is 60 minutes after the first boat of each Division has finished.

17. Penalties

- 17.1. Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 17.2. Use of a motor, assistance from Club boats or any other means to clear a vessel from grounding or entanglement will not incur any penalty unless an advantage is gained RRS42.39(i).

18. Protests and Requests for Redress

- 18.1. Protest forms are available from the Breezeway cabinet at the GLYC Clubhouse.
- 18.2. Protests shall be lodged with the Race Committee within 1 hour of the finishing time of the last yacht in the last race of the day.

19. Arbitration and Post-race Penalty

19.1. Appendix T shall apply.

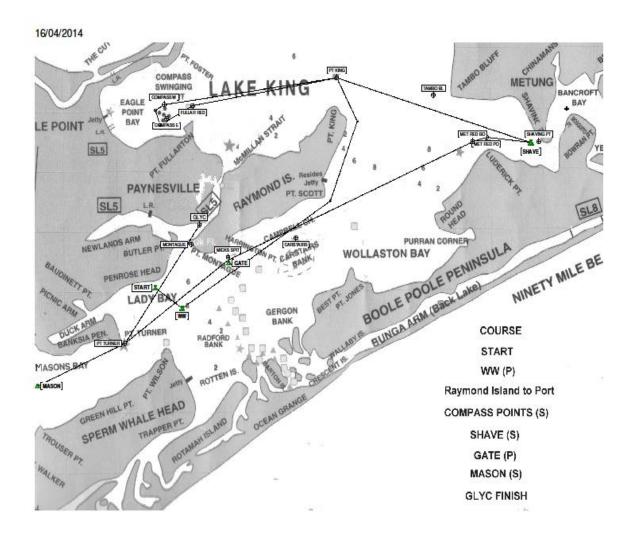
20. Official Boats

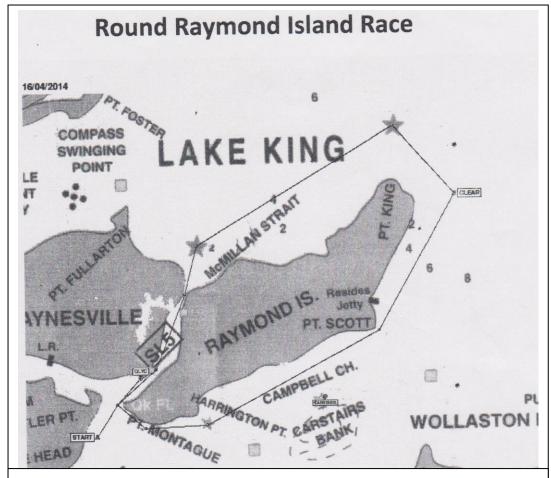
20.1. Official boats will fly a Gippsland Lakes Yacht Club burgee.

21. Sail Numbers

21.1. Sail numbers may only be changed from the number recorded on the Entry Form by prior agreement of the Race Committee, and by advising the Start Boat crew.

30 Mile Race Course





COURSE



Around Raymond Island – marks to Port



Around Raymond Island – marks to Starboard

MARKS

Harrington Point Pile Light aka Mick's Spit

Latitude 37° 55'.8 S Longitude 147° 44'.1 E

CLEAR

Latitude 37° 53'.02 S Longitude 147° 46'.61 E

Point King light

Latitude 37° 53'.01 S Longitude 147° 46'.61 E

Fort King light

Latitude 37° 53'.75 \$ Longitude 147° 44'.18 E

Montague Point North Cardinal

Latitude 37° 55'.49 S Longitude 147° 43'.20 E

Montague Point West Cardinal aka Tiger Pole

Latitude 37° 55'.66 S Longitude 147° 43'.25 E

Easter Regatta Lake Victoria Triangle- 45 Degree triangle

