



# 28<sup>th</sup> INTERNATIONAL 2.4 METRE YACHT AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2024/25

Gippsland Lakes Yacht Club, Victoria, 25-27 January 2025



## NOTICE OF RACE

Gippsland Lakes Yacht Club Inc (GLYC) as Organising Authority invites entries to the 28<sup>th</sup> International 2.4 Metre Yacht Australian Championship 2024/25 to be sailed on the waters of Gippsland Lakes from the 25 to 27 January 2025.

*The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.*

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The International 2.4 Metre Yacht Class will apply. The championship will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2 The Australian Sailing (AS) *Prescriptions and Special Regulations Part 2 'Off the Beach Boats'* will apply.
- 1.3 Racing rules 35, 61.3, 62.2, 66, A4 and A5 will be changed as follows. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
  - (a) Rule 35 – '*Time Limit and Scores*' will be altered so that boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes, will be scored DNF without a hearing.
  - (b) Rules 61.3 and 62.2 – '*Protest Time Limit*' and '*Redress*' will be altered so that 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 or protest committee and to requests for redress.
  - (c) Rule 66 – '*Reopening a Hearing*' will be altered so that on the last day of the championship a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day.
  - (d) Rules A4 & A5 will be altered so that a boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing; and boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored DNF without a hearing.

### 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The championship is open to all International 2.4 Metre Yachts.
- 2.2 Competitors must be financial members of Australian Sailing (AS) and the International 2.4 Metre Yacht Association of Australia (ICAA).
- 2.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the on-line entry on <https://www.trybooking.com/1257527> by 22 November 2024.

### 3. FEES

- 3.1 The championship entry fee is \$ 220.00 GST inclusive. All entries include a regatta shirt of a Gill UV Tech long sleeve zip tee. If you have not entered by the above-mentioned date, you will not be guaranteed your correct size shirt or a shirt at all due to manufacturing deadlines.

### 4. SCHEDULE

#### 4.1 Registration:

Saturday 25 January 2025 1030hrs to 1130hrs

#### 4.2 Competitors briefing:

Saturday 25 January 2025 1130hrs

#### 4.3 Dates and time of racing:

Saturday 25 January 2025 1300hrs First warning signal

Sunday 26 January 2025 1300hrs First warning signal

Monday 27 January 2025 1100hrs First warning signal

#### 4.4 Number of races:

Eight races are scheduled with up to four races per day. When two or more races are conducted in a day, they will be sailed back-to-back, with a short delay between them.

- 4.5 On the last day of the championship no warning signal will be made after 1500hrs.

### 5. MEASUREMENT

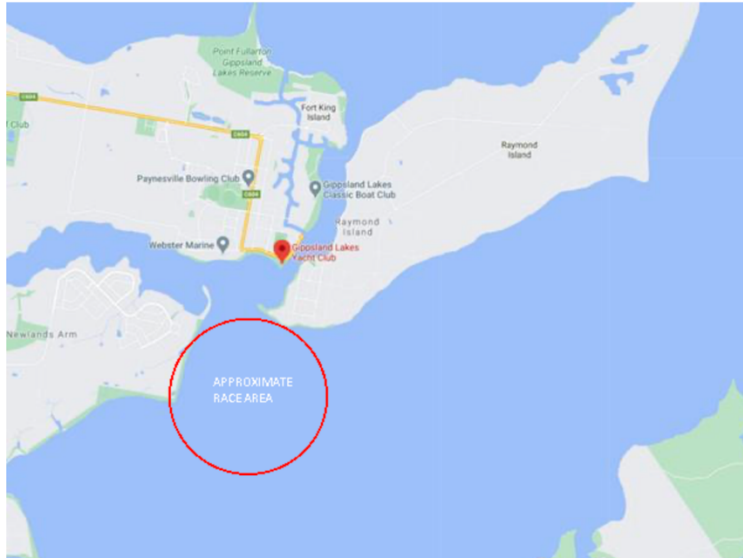
- 5.1 Each boat may be required to produce a valid measurement certificate at registration.

### 6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available after 1030hrs on 25 January 2025 at registration.

## 7. VENUE

7.1 The racing area will be the Gippsland Lakes.



## 8. THE COURSES

8.1 The course will be Windward-Leeward as described in the Sailing Instructions. Racing will be of approximately 40 minutes duration. Failure to meet target times will not be subject to a request for redress.

8.2 A sonic signal may be attached to the top mark for visually impaired competitors as classified by World Sailing.

## 9. SCORING

9.1 Eight races are scheduled, four races shall be completed to constitute a series.

9.2 (a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## 10. OFFICIAL BOATS

10.1 Official boats shall be marked with the GLYC Club burgee.

## 11. BERTHING

11.1 Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the GLYC marina.

## 10. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

10.1 Boats shall not be hauled out during the championship except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

## 11. RADIO COMMUNICATION

11.1 Except in an emergency, 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. [DP]

11.2 All boats shall carry a handheld VHF radio on channel 77 to communicate to Race Management should an emergency occur.

## 12. PRIZES

12.1 Perpetual trophies and prizes will be awarded in the following categories.

**Open Championship** Perpetual trophy and prize – 1st skipper (National Champion).  
Prizes – 2nd and 3rd skippers.

**Pointscore** Prizes – 1st, 2nd and 3rd skippers (1, 2 and 3 overall cannot win these prizes)

12.2 Other trophies and prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

## 13. RISK STATEMENT

13.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

**14. INSURANCE**

14.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$10,000,000.

**15. FURTHER INFORMATION**

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