

Albert Park Yacht Club
In Conjunction with The Imperial Poona Yacht Club
NOTICE of RACE
Melbourne Mid Winters
Saturday, 9th August 2014

1 INTRODUCTION

The event is for three boat teams (6 people) and will be sailed in Pacer dinghies supplied by the organising authority and the Boatshed.

2 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The organising authority is Albert Park Yacht Club. The OA is assisted by The Imperial Poona Yacht Club.

3 RULES

3.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing including appendix D, Team Racing Rules, and the Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Yachting Australia (YA) Addendum A and Part 2.

3.2 RRS D2 Umpired Races will apply.

3.3 RRS D2.5, Two-Flag Protest Procedure will apply.

3.4 Sailing Instructions will be only be available for download from the event website.

4 ENTRIES AND DEPOSIT

4.1 Entries are invited from teams. Entry may be limited to 10 teams.

4.2 The closing date for receipt of entries and payment of the entry fee is Saturday 2nd August. A late entry fee will apply from entries received between Saturday, 26th July and 2nd August 2014.

4.3 The entry fee will be \$200 per team up to Friday, 26th July. The late entry fee is \$220 per team.

4.4 Entries will only be accepted by online entry.

4.5 Each team will be liable for the cost of damage to boats, equipment and property up to a maximum of \$250. A deposit for this amount will be required at registration, either by cash or credit card deposit, and before a team may sail. If the organising authority estimates that the total damage attributable to the team exceeds the deposit, the team will be required to deposit a further \$250 in order to continue sailing. Damage attributed to competitors generally or to an unidentified team will be attributed equally between all teams. A team may apply to the protest committee to determine their responsibility for any damage.

5 EVENT FORMAT AND SCHEDULE

5.1 The format of the event will be based on the number of teams registered and the weather conditions. Possible formats include: a round robin followed by final series.

5.2 Registration will take place at 08.00 on Saturday, 9th August 2014 at APYC.

5.3 There will be a briefing at 08.30 on Saturday, 9th August 2014 at APYC.

5.4 The first warning signal will be at 08.57.

5.5 The course will be displayed on the official notice board.

6 BUOYANCY AND CLOTHING

6.1 Approved personal flotation devices must be worn.

6.2 Footwear must be worn at all times when sailing on Albert Park Lake.

7 PROTEST & UMPIRE FLAGS

7.1 Boats/crews will not be provided with protest & umpire flags. Each crew will need to provide its own flags (red & yellow). Please ensure that your flags are of sufficient size.

8 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY, INSURANCE

8.1 A boat is entirely responsible for her own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.

8.2 It is for the boat to decide whether she is fit to sail in the conditions in which she will find herself. By launching, the boat confirms that she is fit for the prevailing conditions and that her crew is competent to sail and compete in them.

8.3 Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the boat nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the race and the event, and include the organising authority, the race committee, the race officer, umpires, patrol boats and beachmasters.

8.4 The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the boat of her responsibilities.

9 PRIZES

9.1 There may be prizes.

10 CATERING & SOCIAL EVENT

10.1 A meal will be held at a local pub at 19.00.

10.2 Food and drinks will be available for purchase from the club canteen throughout the day.