

The Range Series 2021



NOTICE OF RACE for the Series



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The 2021 Range Series will be conducted on the waters of Port Phillip from 6 February 2021 until 10 April 2021.

1.0 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority on each day will be as follows

Host Club/Organising Authority	Date
Royal Yacht Club of Victoria	6 February 2021
Sandringham Yacht Club	27 February 2021
Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron	13 March 2021
Hobson Bay Yacht Club	27 March 2021
Resail – TBC	10 April 2021

2.0 RULES

2.1 General

The Series will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

2.2 Safety Regulations

The Australian Sailing (AS) Special Regulations Part 1, Sections 1 – 5, Category 6 shall apply. Marine VHF radios shall be carried, which may be permanently installed or be waterproof handheld and must be capable of operating on channels 12, 15, 16, 17, 67, 69, 71, 72 and 73.

2.3 No anchors shall be carried on deck forward of the stem or with any part outboard.

2.4 All boats shall lodge with their own club a valid Safety Compliance Declaration covering the 2020-2021 season before their entry in their first Range Series race. Boats not complying with this requirement will not be entered and will not be eligible for Series scoring.

2.5 The Performance Handicapping Rules of Yachting Victoria, the rules of the AMS, the rules of the ORC and the rules of the IRC shall apply.

3.0 ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Host Club/Organising Authority.

4.0 ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

Entry is open to keelboats with a valid AMS, or ORC, or IRC rating or Performance Handicap. AMS, ORC and IRC boats shall start in their respective Performance Handicap Division.

4.1 Divisions

There will be three Divisions: 1, 2 and 3, as follows:

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| Division 1 | As defined by the AS Performance Handicap Rules. |
| Division 2 | As defined by the AS Performance Handicap Rules. |

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Division 3 As defined by the AS Performance Handicap Rules.

Boats will be allocated to an appropriate Division at the absolute discretion of the Organising Authority. Boats that race in a Division may not change Division during the series except as directed by the Organising Authority.

Racing may be abandoned for any Division at the discretion of the Race Officer.

4.2 Class Championship

Class Championship may be scored (refer 11.0) for the classes listed below, for which no separate entry is required:

YW Diamonds
S80

Division 3
Division 3

Any additional classes that wish to compete must advise the Organising Authority before the 1st February 2021.

Class boats shall sail in the nominated Division to be eligible for class scoring.

4.3 Entries

Entries must be received by the Host Club before 1200hrs on the Thursday prior to each race. Casual entries may be accepted at the discretion of the host club. Boats may enter via their home club. A crew list for each boat shall be lodged via the online entry system prior to racing.

5.0 FEES

5.1 Entry Fees

The Entry Fee for the series will be \$125 for Divisions 1, 2 and 3.

Notes:

There will be no additional entry fees for entering other divisions such as IRC, ORC, AMS or Class Championships.

Entry fees shall be paid to the host club for each race.

5.2 Casual Entries

An entry fee of \$35 for each race day will apply.

6.0 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Date	Day	Host Club	Warning Signal for 1 st Race
6 February 2021	1	RYCV	1325 hrs
27 February 2021	2	SYC (KCAB)	1325 hrs
13 March 2021	3	RMYS	1325 hrs
27 March 2021	4	HBVC	1325 hrs
10 April 2021		Resail	

Notes:

All Divisions may sail up to three races per day. (First Warning Signal 1325). No race will be started after 1545hrs.

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A Notice to Competitors will be issued on the Thursday prior to a Race Day indicating the proposed schedule for each day.

The Resail Day shall only be used in the event of a series not being constituted at the end of Race Day 4

7.0 MEASUREMENT

7.1 Rating Certificate

A copy of a valid Rating Certificate (where applicable) as issued by the appropriate Rating Authority shall be made available upon request by the Organising Authority or Race Committee.

7.2 PHS

All Initial Performance Handicaps will be as supplied by the Performance Handicapping Committee of AS. The Performance Handicapping Committee of AS reserves the right to revise any handicap during the Series, and to make a changed handicap retrospective. Boat Owners/Skippers are reminded of their obligations under Rule 2 of the Performance Handicap Rules.

Performance Handicaps will be re-calculated as a series.

7.3 AMS

Results will be calculated where a valid AMS Certificate is issued. Owners are reminded that they shall use the sail and weight configuration as outlined in their AMS Certificate. AMS ratings will be those issued by the Rating Authority (AS) and current at 1200hrs on the Friday before the race.

7.4 IRC

Results will be calculated where a valid Endorsed IRC Certificate is issued. Owners are reminded that they shall use the sail and weight configuration as outlined in their IRC Certificate.

IRC ratings will be those issued by the Rule Authority (AS) and current at 1200hrs on the Friday before the race.

7.5 ORC

Results will be calculated where a valid ORC (ORCc or ORCi) Certificate is issued. Owners are reminded that they shall use the sail and weight configuration as outlined in their ORC Certificate. Self measured certificates will not be accepted.

ORC ratings will be those issued by the Rule Authority (AS) and current at 1200hrs on the Friday before the race.

7.6 Cut off for Handicaps and Ratings

The cut-off times for all handicaps and ratings will be 1200hrs on the Friday before each race. No changes to handicaps or ratings will be permitted after this time, except as a result of a measurement protest, or to correct rating office errors. The Race Committee may make corrections to handicaps or ratings at any time.

This changes RRS 78.

8.0 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be issued for the Range Series, and will be available from each

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participating club or AS from late January 2021.

9.0 RACING AREA

The racing area is on the waters of Port Phillip as described in the attached diagram.

10.0 COURSES

Courses will be set within the approximate areas designated in Paragraph 9. Races will be conducted in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.

11.0 SCORING

11.1 Range Series

The Series Divisional Championship will be scored on the Low Points Scoring System (RRS Appendix A) modified as follows:

Seven races are scheduled for Divisions 1, 2 and 3. Where five or less races are completed, each boat's Series score will be the sum of its scores for all completed races. Three races shall be completed to constitute a series.

Scores in accordance with A4.2 shall be calculated using the number of boats entered in the series at the beginning of a race day.

11.2 Class Championships

Class racing will be scored within each class based on the results for the class. There must be a minimum of three starters for a Class Championship Race to be scored.

11.3 Yachting Victoria Point Score

An additional point score in parallel with the Range Series will be maintained for all boats. Eligible boats will have TCF reductions of 1.5%. To be eligible for the TCF reduction a boat shall have a crew consisting of not less than 25% youth or female crew members. A youth, in this context, is considered to be under 25 years of age at the time of the first race. Crew lists will be required to be eligible for the TCF reduction.

12.0 PRIZES

Perpetual Prize winners will be announced at the Victorian Awards Night

Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority

The Range Trophy will be engraved with the winners of each of the Divisions and will reside for the following season at the club of the winner of IRC Division 1.

Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

13.0 MEDIA RIGHTS AND RESTRICTIONS

13.1 By participating in the Range Series competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority, and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any still and motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.

13.2 Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the Organising Authority.

13.3 Competitors may be required for interviews or press conferences during the Series.

14.0 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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.**

15.0 INSURANCE

All entrants shall carry third party and public liability insurance of not less than \$10 Million per event valid for all races

16.0 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact the Host Club

Host Club	Contact Name	Email Address / Phone No
Royal Yacht Club of Victoria	David Le Roy	0417 153 378
Sandringham Yacht Club	James Sly	boating@syv.com.au 9599 0922
Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron	Colin Burgess	boating@rmys.com.au 9534 0227
Hobson Bay Sailing Club	Stephen Cheney	0407 178 041
Principal Race Officer (PRO)	David Le Roy	0417 153 378

Website – [Range Series](#)

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Appendix 1

