



2017 International Moth Australian Championship by the Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania 4 – 9 January 2017

(Updated Freight Info)

Why Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania

The Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania is a well-known and respected event manager, having conducted numerous major events in recent years, including the highly successful International 2.4mR Australian & World Titles and the Prince Philip Cup for Dragons, both in January 2016.

At the end of December each year, the focus of the sailing world is on Hobart, as the finish of the Rolex Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race, and the Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania as the club responsible for the finish and delivering the well-known Hobart hospitality.

Many Tasmanian sailors will relish the opportunity to show off their local knowledge while welcoming their inter-state colleagues to the waters of Tasmania.

General Information

The Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania is well-known for its ability to conduct major events and has the physical facilities to host a fleet of high performance off-the-beach boats at its clubhouse in Sandy Bay. The Club has capacity to host the event, both on and off the water, with well-developed hospitality infrastructure, and close to accommodation and all facilities likely to be required by participants.

Hobart's CBD, the waterfront entertainment and dining precinct, and Salamanca Place are all within easy travelling distance.

Organising Committee

The Organising Committee will be drawn from the RYCT Sailing Committee including a range of experienced off the beach sailors chaired by OTB Chair and Moth sailor Will Logan, and including the Club's General Manager Daryl Potter and Sailing Operations Manager Nick Hutton IRO.

Race Management

Race Management will be under the guidance of International Race Officer Nick Hutton and a team of highly skilled volunteers, many of whom were involved in the recent national and world championships.

The Club owns and operates a fleet of race management vessels for Race Committee, Mark Laying, Safety, Jury, Sponsors and Media. These are supplemented by Club members' vessels volunteered for major events.

Our professional staff, supported by a team of volunteers, manages entries, registration, storage and a host of other tasks that make the sailors' stay with RYCT a pleasure.



National Jury

RYCT will source a dedicated and experienced team of International and National Judges, with RYCT member and International Judge Murray Jones managing the National Jury.

Website and Media

RYCT's website is linked to TopYacht for on-line entries, race documents, results and media reporting resources. On-water access for media personnel will be provided daily with a media centre established at the Club. A dedicated web page on the Club's site will be set up to manage the event. Australian yachting media legend Peter Campbell is resident in Hobart and is a very active member of RYCT. Social media will be managed by RYCT's media office.

Sponsor Value-Add

Event sponsors will be catered for at RYCT with full club hospitality on agreed Race Days and at the Welcome and Presentation functions. Fully-catered sponsor vessels can be provided to take sponsor representatives afloat on race days.

Venue

Racing will take place on the River Derwent estuary. Surrounded by hills and the majestic Mt Wellington, there is no more picturesque place in Australia than the River Derwent to conduct yacht racing.

The RYCT has easy access to the sailing area with very little tidal influence.



Weather Conditions

Hobart is well known for offering a range of weather conditions from tricky westerlies to delightful sea breezes and it is to be expected that a full range of conditions will be experienced. The mean daytime maximum temperature in January for Hobart is 22 degrees C. January is the second driest month in the Tasmanian calendar with a total rainfall of less than 50mm expected.

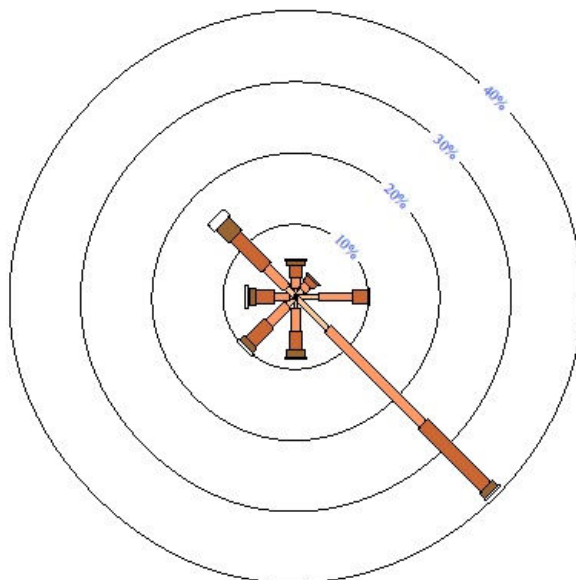
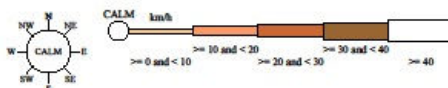
A typical Hobart day in January would see a moderate 8 to 10 knot morning breeze from the North, replaced by a 15 to 18 knot sea breeze from the South-East. Variations include shifty Westerlies and Northerlies blowing hot and strong from across Bass Strait.

These are the conditions that reward the best sailors.

The wind graph below reflects the likelihood of SE sea breezes at that time of year.

3 pm Jan
3038 Total Observations

Calm 1%



Proposed Program

Below is a draft program for the 2017 International Moth Australian Championship.

Date	Racing	Social
Wed 4 Jan 2017	Registration & Measurement Practice Races	Welcome Function
Thurs 5 Jan 2017	Competitor Briefing Championship Races	After sailing barbecue
Fri 6 Jan 2017	Championship Races	After sailing barbecue
Sat 7 Jan 2017	Championship Races	After sailing barbecue
Sun 8 Jan 2017	Championship Races	After sailing barbecue
Mon 9 Jan 2017	Championship Races	Presentation Function

Transporting your boat to Tasmania (Updated)

We are excited to announce that a deal for group box freight has been made. Indicative one way prices are \$200 from Melbourne and \$300 from Sydney. Freight options include early shipping to attend the Tasmanian Championship on 17 and 18 December. Secure boat storage will be available for the entire period.

If you plan to use the Spirit of Tasmania ferry, you will need to book now as bookings are tight for that period. Car-topping is the most economical way to transport boats as car fares are subsidised by the Government.

Family & Friends

Hobart is a hive of activity for visitors to the State in early January. Winery and fine food tours, the Museum of Old and New Art (MONA) and numerous cultural and food events take place in this period. Family and friends of competitors are well taken care of while racing is under way. Of course, family and friends are welcome to take full advantage of RYCT hospitality when they just want to relax and enjoy the Club's ambience.

Day Tour websites

<http://www.pennicottjourneys.com.au/>

<http://www.mona.net.au/>

<http://www.thetasteoftasmania.com.au/>

<http://www.brunyislandcheese.com.au/>

<http://www.getshucked.com.au/>

Accommodation

Budget accommodation (< \$100 AUD per person per night)

University accommodation (5 - 10 minutes' walk from the RYCT): 1, 2, 3, 6 or 8 bedroom flats, single rooms with en suites, double rooms with en suites, double rooms and single rooms:

www.accommodation.utas.edu.au/university-accommodation

Commercial accommodation (various)

The following is a list of some of the motel and apartment style accommodation within 10 – 15 minutes walking distance the RYCT. The properties cover a range of prices to suit differing budgets and tastes.

Amberley House www.amberleyhouse.com.au

Avon Court Apartments www.avoncourt.com.au

Blue Hills Motel www.thebookingbutton.com.au/properties/bluehillsmoteldirect

Doctor Syntax Hotel www.doctorsyntax.com.au

Grosvenor Court Apartments www.grosvenorcourtapartments.com.au

Lenna of Hobart < Battery Point www.lenna.com.au

Mantra www.mantraonesandybayroad.com.au

Mayfair Plaza Motel www.mayfairplaza.com.au

Motel 429 Sandy Bay www.motel429.com.au

Prince of Wales Hotel www.princeofwaleshotel.com.au

Salamanca Terraces Apartments www.salamancaterraces.com.au

St Ives Motel and Apartments www.stivesmotel.com.au

Woolmer's Inn apartments www.woolmersapartments.com.au

Wrest Point Hotel Casino www.wrestpoint.com.au

Transport Infrastructure

There is ample room at the RYCT to park support vehicles for the duration of the event.

The RYCT is approximately 15 minutes' drive from Hobart International Airport.

A Hobart bus shuttle service operates between Hobart CBD (Hobart accommodation hotels, motels etc) and Hobart Airport for every arrival/departure. The Hobart bus shuttle service departs outside the terminal after the arrival of every flight: www.tasredline.com.au

Metro Buses runs the public bus service around Hobart and the surrounding suburbs, providing easy access to most areas: www.metrotas.com.au

Hobart is serviced by a number of taxi companies and the RYCT has a dedicated Taxi phone in the foyer.

Additional Information

Please contact sailing@ryct.org.au for more information.