

♪ Sonata Championships 2009 ♪

The Sonata Yacht Association of Victoria State Titles 6TH AND 7TH FEBRUARY 2010

The Sonata Yacht Association of Victoria (SYAV) State Titles for 2010 will be held at Geelong Trailable Yacht Club on the 6th & 7th February 2010.

This is a fun weekend for all members who participate with the emphasis on good sailing and socializing.

The racing program will be in the format of short races around an Olympic type course in the waters of Corio Bay

Prizes will be awarded in each division of Sonatas as shown in the Notice of Race, with separate 'open' and 'cruising' sections within each division. The difference is that the cruising division must not use spinnakers, while racing division may use spinnakers. This year, following the success of this format last year, both cruising and racing divisions will sail four races, with best three races to count.

An overall winner for the series based on CBH will be awarded the perpetual trophy.

We will sail under the rules governing category 6 as defined in the 'blue book', and requirements are summarised as an attachment to the notice of race together with a safety declaration, which must either accompany your entry or be submitted prior to the closing date for entries. (Entries by February 5th please, but late entries accepted up to 9.00 am on the morning of the first race with provisional \$10 late entry fee)

2010 SONATA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES NOTICE OF RACE.

The Geelong Trailable Yacht Club as the organising authority on behalf of the Sonata Yacht Association of Victoria invites entries to the Sonata Yacht Association of Victoria State Titles, to be held on

February 6th and 7th, 2010.

The event will be conducted on the waters of Corio Bay, in the approximate vicinity off St Helens.

Sufficient overnight berths will be provided within the St Helens boat harbour during this event

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY.

The Organising Authority for this series is the Geelong Trailable Yacht Club at the request of the Sonata Yacht Association of Victoria

2. RACE PROGRAM.

2.1 The start time for each race will be approximately:

Date	Race	All Divisions
Sat Feb 13	Heat 1	1030
Sat Feb 13	Heat 2	*
Sun Feb 14	Heat 3	1000
Sun Feb 14	Heat 4	*

* Heat 2 & 4 start will be as soon as practical following the completion of the previous heat

2.2 There shall be no resails.

3. RULES.

All races will be governed by the "Racing Rules of Sailing for 2009-2012" (RRS) and amendments; the 2009 - 2012 and by the Sailing Instructions.

Overnight mooring will be available in St Helens boat harbour. Further details of arrangements will be forwarded by email to the commencement of the titles (please ensure your current email address is submitted to the SYAV).

A couple of provisions, which everyone needs to be aware of:

1. Insurance. With the increased emphasis on liability insurance, all yachts entering must carry a minimum of \$5 Million dollars public liability insurance (Appears to be fairly standard under most marine insurance policies)
2. All competitors are recommended to wear PFDs (personal Flotation Devices) while racing.
3. Cruising and racing fleets will be separate, so that a cruising fleet yacht cannot also compete in the racing division. All yachts however are eligible for CBH overall winner.

Whether you are a do or die racer or a cruiser who likes to participate, this is a weekend for you. Sharpen the pencil and write it on your sailing calendar for 2010.

4. ALTERATION OF CLASS RULES.

Sonata yachts competing as a 'Cruising Division' entrant shall comply with all class rules, and shall not use spinnakers.

Note that use as a headsail, of MPS (Multi Purpose Spinnakers) which do not comply with measurement restrictions for prescribed headsails is prohibited for all divisions while racing.

5. NA

6. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY.

6.1 The races are open to the following Classes: Sonata 6, 6.3, 6.7, 7, 8/26; Southern Cross and Northwind 7/23. Southern Cross and Northwind 7/23's shall sail as Sonata 7's as per S.Y.A.V. rules.

6.2 Class Divisions are defined as follows

6.4 All yachts must conform to S.Y.A.V. class rules. Any competitor who feels entitled to dispensation from any of the rules, or considers that their yacht may not conform to class measurement rules must apply in writing to the S.Y.A.V. no later than February 5th,

Division 1	Division 2	Division 3
Sonata 6.3, 6.7, 8/26	Sonata 7, Southern Cross 23 and Northwind 7/ 23	Sonata 6

2010 for a dispensation or penalty.

6.5 Yachts may be entered into their respective class division as either 'Open entry', or 'Cruising division'

entry. Cruising division yachts shall not carry a spinnaker while racing, and are eligible for both outright CBH and handicap prizes.

- 6.6 Result of the competition shall be decided based on the results of heats 1 to 4.
- 6.7 On request from the Race Committee, any skipper or their representative shall present the yacht at a nominated time and place, prior to, during, or following the series for a check of conformity to class rules.
- 6.8 At all times the crew shall consist of at least one adult and one other person of minimum age 14.
- 6.9 There shall be at least one person aboard each competing boat who is a member of SYAV.
- 6.10 Eligible boats may enter in the Series by lodging a completed Series Entry form with the Sonata Yacht Association not later than 5th February 2010. Each entry submitted shall be accompanied by the required fee.
- 6.11 Late entries will be accepted up to 0900 hours on 13th February 2010. Late entries may be required to pay an additional late entry fee of \$10.00.

7. ENTRY FEES.

7.1 SERIES ENTRY. An entry in the Series is \$50.00.

8. SCHEDULE OF RACES.

8.1 The schedule of races for the Series is in Section 2 of this Notice of Race.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS.

Sailing Instructions will be supplied as early as practical prior to the commencement of racing 13th February 2010. For late entries the Sailing Instructions may be collected from the GTYC Regatta Office or Saxil Tuxen

10. THE RACING AREA.

The racing area will be in the waters of Corio Bay.

11. COURSES.

Courses will be as described in the Sailing Instructions for the Series.

12. SCORING.

- 12.1 **Scoring will be as specified in RRS Appendix A, Scoring, A4 Low Point System. Series Ties shall also be resolved in accordance with A8.**
- 12.2 **If four heats are completed, the best three results for each yacht shall be counted for total points. If three or fewer heats are completed, all shall count.**

13. PRIZES.

- 13.1 Prizes will be awarded to the placegetters in each division of the Series.
- 13.2 A prize shall be awarded for first place in the combined Sonata fleet (divisions 1, 2 and 3) for CBH performance.
- 13.3 Prizes will be awarded for 'Cruising division Entries' in divisions 1, 2 and 3 based on:
- 13.4 Outright placing, provided sufficient entries, see para 13.5 below and
- 13.5 Prizes awarded are subject to the following:

Single Starter No Prize.

Result applied to overall CBH and Handicap if applicable

2 entries first only

3 to 5 entries first and second

6 or more entries first, second, and third.

13.7 Provisional results will be announced at GTYC Clubhouse after the last race.

13.7 Trophies will be presented at SYAV Annual General Meeting night.

Additional prizes may be awarded by the S.Y.A.V.

14. SAFETY.

14.1 **All competing yachts are required to comply with the 2009 – 2012 AYF Special Regulations Part I for Racing Boats, Sections 1-5, Category 6.**

An engine shall be carried at all times and will be as for Race Category 5, AYF SR Part 1, Item 3.24

14.2 SAFETY EQUIPMENT COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATES

14.2.1 **Entries will only be accepted for boats with a valid Safety Equipment Compliance Certificate (SECC) that has been submitted to the race committee no later than 0900 hours on the day of the first race entered.**

14.2.2 Boats not having lodged a SECC or found with an inappropriate SECC shall be considered as having not entered and ineligible for scores or prizes.

14.2.3 A copy of the SECC to be completed by the owner or the owner's representative is supplied as Attachment B to this Notice of Race.

15. HANDICAPS.

15.1 CBH. Class Basic Handicap (CBH) Time Correction Factor (TCF) as allocated by the Yachting Victoria Trailable Yacht Handicapper shall be applied in determining overall CBH winner.

16. INSURANCE.

All competing yachts shall have public liability insurance for an amount of not less than Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000), and will be required to sign a declaration to this effect prior to acceptance of its' entry.

17. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

Additional information may be obtained from The Race Coordinator,

S.Y.A.V.

20 Haydens Road

Beaumaris 3193,

Telephone 9589 6419 and 0409 858008

Information pertaining to launching of boats, mooring facilities and social activities will be advised prior to the first race.

18 INCLUDED IN THIS NOTICE OF RACE

1. Attachment A Series Entry Form
2. Attachment B Safety Equipment Compliance Certificate and Equipment Checklist for reference

GEELONG TRAILABLE YACHT CLUB
ENTRY FORM
2010 Sonata State Championship Series

Please enter the boat _____ Sail No. _____

in the 2010 Sonata State Championship Series, in the division for

Name of skipper (please print) _____

Name of owner or owner's representative (please print) _____

Name of participating Member (Please Print) _____

Yacht Design/Class _____

Competing in Cruising or Open division _____

FEES

\$50.00

Provisional Late entry fee \$10.00 for entries received after Feb 5th, 2010.

TOTAL PAID _____

1. I acknowledge that sailing can be dangerous. Injury to competitors and damage to boats can and does happen. Competitors sail at their own risk. GTYC and all parties involved in the organisation of racing at GTYC accept no responsibility for any loss, damage or injury which may occur to any person or property, whether ashore or afloat, as a consequence of taking part in racing at Geelong Trailable Yacht Club.
2. I agree to be bound by the International Sailing Federation Racing Rules of Sailing and all other rules that govern this event.
3. I acknowledge and agree that it is my collective and inescapable responsibility to decide whether or not to start in any race or, once having started, whether to continue in the race.
4. I acknowledge that my entry is not valid unless a Safety Equipment Compliance Certificate (SECC) accompanies this entry.
5. I declare that my yacht is covered by third party liability insurance of at least \$5M.
6. I acknowledge that any change of skipper, or any change to the boat or its sails or equipment that effects its handicap, shall be notified to the Race Officer prior to starting races at RGYC.

SIGNED _____

DATE _____

I have enclosed the above entry fee(s) yes no

Mail entries to: **Sonata Yacht Association of Victoria Inc**
20 Haydens Road Beaumaris Vic 3193

GEELONG TRAILABLE YACHT CLUB

SAFETY EQUIPMENT COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE

BOAT _____ SAIL No _____

OWNER (S) _____ ADDRESS _____

DESIGN _____ LOA _____

COLOUR HULL _____ DECK _____ CABIN TOP _____

RADIO TYPE _____ CALL SIGN _____

DECLARATION

I _____ the owner of the above boat,

or, I _____ the recognised representative of the
owner of the above boat,

declare that the boat complies with the requirements of the Australian Yachting Federation Special
Regulations Part 1 for Racing Boats, Section 2.01, CATEGORY 6

**I also declare that I have read the AYF Special Regulations Part 1 and that I understand how Part 1, and its
Sections applies to me and my boat racing at RGYC and attach hereto a completed and signed Equipment
Checklist**

SIGNATURE _____ **DATE** _____

GEELONG TRAILABLE YACHT CLUB

EQUIPMENT CHECKLIST FOR REFERENCE ONLY

MANDATORY MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR CATEGORY 6, AS DEFINED BY YACHTING AUSTRALIA, PER THE AYF SPECIAL REGULATIONS 2005 - 2008

NOTE: The following table includes the specified equipment for compliance with Category 6 relevant to the SYAV titles.

Items marked X are mandatory,

Reg No.	Subject	CATEGORY 6
2.03.1	Equipment of suitable type & capacity & functions	X
2.03.2	Ballast and heavy equipment secured	X
3.01.1	Strength of build ballast and rig	X
3.01.3	Stability and bouyancy	X
3.02	Watertight integrity of hull	X
3.02.3	Keel lockdown while racing	X
3.04	Stability - monhulls	X
3.06(b)	2 exits	X
3.07	Forward Hatch opens outwards & above water	X
3.08	Cockpit drainage	X
3.12.6	Lifelines	X
3.17	Galley Stove (if gas to AG601), Warning Notice and secured against capsize	X
3.20.1&2	Manual Bilge Pumps 25mm (if fitted)	X
3.20.9	Two buckets with lanyards	X
3.23	Navigation lights requirements	
3.24	Outboard engine carrying requirements	X
3.25	Marine radio requirements	X
3.28.1	Identification on hull	X
4.01	Sail Numbers	X
4.04	Fire Extinguishers, Serviced	X
4.05	Anchor, 5m chain, 45m warp, appropriate size	X
4.06	Flashlights, 1	X
4.07	First Aid Kit in w/proof container with contents list	X
4.10.3	AYF "Blue Book"	X
4.15.3	Sharp knife at each cockpit	X
4.16	Boat's name on all loose equipment	X
4.17	Retro Tape on personal flotation devices etc. (State Law)	X
4.22	Flares: 2 red, 2 orange	X
4.26	Method of retrieving crew from the water	X
4.27	Distress Sheet	X
5.01	Personal flotation devices - 1 per crewperson (Note requirement for whistle)	X
6.01	Routine training on board	

Attention of all competitors is drawn to the complete list of safety equipment which is "required" and "recommended" for category 6 racing as shown in Racing Rules of Sailing 2009 – 2012 - AYF Special Regulations, Part 1, for Racing Boats, Sections 1 - 5. The checklist above includes only those items, which are listed as minimum requirements under Category 6, and does not list additional recommended safety equipment shown in the above publication. Further definitions and descriptions of safety equipment is provided in the 2009-2012 AYF Special regulations, Part 1 for Racing Boats

