

SAIL MELBOURNE INTERNATIONAL REGATTA 2006
NOTICE OF RACE

WOMR '06

**WESTERNPORT MARINA SOUTHERN OCEANS MULTIHULL REGATTA
AND VICTORIAN TRAILABLE MULTIHULL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

January 14th – 21st, 2006

ORGANISING AUTHORITY: Multihull Yacht Club of Victoria.

HOST CLUB: Multihull Yacht Club of Victoria

VENUE: Westernport Marina, Hastings

1 Rules

The regatta will be governed by the current *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2005-2008*, the Modified Texel Rule (the QMYC Offshore Multihull Rule), except as any of these are altered by the sailing instructions.

Advertising code "C" shall apply to all entrants in this event

2 Alterations of Racing Rules

The racing rules will be modified in accordance with rule 86 as follows:

3.1 Rule 50.2 will be altered by: 'fixed and retractable spinnaker poles will be permitted for the purpose of setting asymmetrical spinnakers'

3 Eligibility and Entry

3.1 The regatta is open to all multihulls equipped for Racing Category 5 in accordance with Addendum A part 1, Sections 1 – 5.

3.2 Eligible boats may enter on the attached Entry Form which shall be lodged with:

The Multihull Yacht Club of Victoria

272 Williamstown Rd, Port Melbourne, 3207

by December 30th, 2005 accompanied by the required fee (see item 5).

Late entries incur an additional fee.

3.3 All entrants shall be a current member of an affiliated club through their MYA.

4 Fees

4.1 Required Fees

Fee

Regatta Entry	\$175.00	(entry by 1700 hrs 30th Dec 2005)
Late Entry	\$200.00	
Single Race	\$ 30.00	

5 Schedule of Events

5.1 Registration:
Saturday January 14 From 9am To 6pm

5.2 Measurement and Inspection:
Saturday January 14 From 9am To 6pm

5.3 Races:

Race	Date	Start	Warning Signal
Invitation	Sun Jan 15	1200 hours	1155 hrs.
Heat 1	Mon Jan 16	0930 hours	0925 hrs
Heat 2	Tues Jan 17	0930 hours	0925 hrs
Heat 3	Wed Jan 18	0930 hours	0925 hrs
Heat 4	Wed Jan 18	1330 hours	1325 hrs
Reserved	Thu Jan 19	AM	
Sternchaser	Thu Jan 19	1330 hours	1325 hrs (first boat)
Heat 5	Fri Jan 20	0930 hours	0925 hrs
Heat 6	Sat Jan 21	0930 hours	0925 hrs

The Sternchaser does not count for Regatta point score.

The Race Committee may alter the designated course length prior to the course flag being displayed.

No warning signal shall be made after 1600 hours on the last scheduled race day.

Scheduled "Layday" is AM Thursday 19th Jan. Races may be scheduled for this reserved period, when current or forecast conditions require change in order that at least the minimum number of races can be conducted.

6 Measurements

Yachts will not be measured to determine performance handicaps. Yacht owners wishing to obtain an OMR rating certificate should contact George Bulka (03 5981 2616) for copies of the rule, measurement forms and information on measurement assistance. Interstate and country yachts may make arrangements with their state measurer or call George to make an appointment to be measured at the Marina. Pending demand, facilities to weigh boats may be made available on Saturday 14th Jan.

7 Sailing Instructions

Sailing instructions will be posted to all entries received by the 30th December 2005

Sailing Instructions will be available at Registration.

8 Regatta Site

The regatta will be based at the Western Port Marina, Mullet Street, Hastings, Victoria.

Regatta headquarters will be in the Marina Operations Office near the northern end of the Marina carpark.

9 Racing Area

The racing area shall be in the areas known as Western Port and Bass Strait. The areas are covered by charts AUS 150 and 151.

10 Courses

The course shall be as described in Attachment A of the sailing instructions.

11 Scoring

The ISAF Low Point scoring system, Appendix A.4.1 will apply.

12 Radio Communications

All competitors shall maintain a listening watch on either VHF channel 73 or 27MHz channel 94 for the duration of the race being sailed and while proceeding to and returning from the start/finish area.

For the courses over 30nm all boats shall radio the committee vessel as soon as practical after rounding the designated marks with their position and expected finishing time.

A boat shall only make radio transmission as above. This requirement also applies to mobile telephone communications, except for emergencies.

Each skipper has a responsibility to ensure all communications and safety equipment is up to date and in good working order.

13 Divisions for the Awarding of Trophies

A minimum of 3 yachts will constitute a division. The Race Committee reserves the right to vary divisions depending upon the number of entries. The fleet will be in divisions as follows:

Racing -Performance Handicap Division

-OMR

-Trailable Division (Yachts competing in this division are entered in the

Victorian Trailable Multihull Championships and are also entered in OMR division for the Southern Oceans Multihull Regatta) "Trailable " shall be defined as Yachts capable of being trailed on a road registered trailer without restriction or special permit conditions.

14 Handicaps

An OMR rating certificate will determine the handicap for OMR division.

Performance handicaps will be determined by the Multihull Yacht Club of Victoria using the latest known handicap for each yacht and adjusted as required by the race committee.

An OMR rating certificate will determine the handicap for trailable division.

The Multihull Yacht Club of Victoria Inc., at its absolute discretion, reserves the right to alter or adjust any handicap.

15 Prizes

Prizes will be awarded for fastest time above and below 10m, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd on OMR, 1st, 2nd and 3rd on Performance Handicap after each race at a 'happy hour' at the Marina Bar. Presentation of other trophies will take place at the end of the regatta function at 1900 hours on Saturday January 21, 2006.

Individual race entries may be awarded prizes but will not be eligible for regatta prizes.

Southern Oceans Multihull Regatta Pointscore:

OMR – 1st (TYCV Perpetual Trophy), 2nd and 3rd

Performance Handicap –1st (MYCV Club Champion Perpetual Trophy), 2nd and 3rd

Victorian Trailable Multihull Championship –OMR 1st (SOMR Perpetual Trophy), 2nd and 3rd

Sternchaser – Line Honours OMR – Sternchaser Perpetual Trophy

OMR – 1st, 2nd and 3rd (Aggregate Championship Pointscore)

Sponsors trophies and MYCV perpetual trophies for individual races to be announced.

Other Trophies:

Pigs Might Fly Trophy

Zinta Trophy

16 Supplementary Event

The Club is proposing to offer a supplementary program of events to be run on race days for Multihull enthusiasts who would like to partake of the fun and friendly atmosphere of SOMR but not directly participate in the scheduled races. These will not be speed events as defined by racing insurance provisions but will provide challenges of a more gentle nature to make your day. More details will be available prior to the event. Everyone is welcome at SOMR !

Further Information

Please contact:

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Alex Macnaughtan 03 9787 5121 / amacn@bigpond.com.au

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SAIL MELBOURNE

WESTERNPORT MARINA SOUTHERN OCEANS MULTIHULL REGATTA 2006 & Victorian Trailable Multihull Championships

January 14th – 21st, 2006

ENTRY FORM

Please tick Divisions entering OMR Trailable Performance Handicap

Owner/Skipper

Name.....

Address.....

City..... Postcode.....

Tel. AH.....

BH.....

Mobile..... Fax.....

Email.....

Boat Name..... Sail No.....

Boat Type..... Rig.....

Hull Colour..... Deck Colour.....

INSURANCE DETAILS:

Company:..... Policy

Number:.....

Public Liability Insurance Cover: Expiry Date:

Please complete the crew listing below, record YC and YA Membership No. for all crew.

	Name	Yacht Club	YA No.
Crew 1			
Crew 2			
Crew 3			
Crew 4			
Crew 5			
Crew 6			
Crew 7			
Crew 8			

Entry Fee: Early Bird \$175.00 **Late Entry** \$200.00

Single Race Entry Available at \$30.00 per Race. – not eligible for Awards.

Early Bird entries must be received before 1700 Hrs December 30th 2005

Payment to: Multihull Yacht Club of Victoria
272 Williamstown Rd.
Port Melbourne Vic. 3207

(online entry available through sail Melbourne website www.sailmelbourne.com.au)

