



2017-2018 Taipan Catamaran Victorian Championships

10 March 2018 - 12 March 2018

Notice of Race

Organising Authority:

Taipan Catamaran Association of Australia Inc. (TCAA)

In conjunction with the host club:

McCrae Yacht Club Inc. (PYC)



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1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by:

- The rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 - 2020* (RRS).
- Yachting Australia Special Regulations Part 2 – off-the-beach classes.
- The Championship Rules of TCAA.
- The Class Rules of TCAA.
- This Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Advertising shall only be displayed in accordance with the ISAF Advertising Code (Refer ISAF Regulation 20).
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 The regatta is open to boats of the Taipan catamaran classes:

3.1.1 Whose skipper and crew (if applicable) are financial members of a sailing club affiliated with a State Yachting Authority and have a Member Number issued by Yachting Australia.

3.1.2 Whose skipper is a financial member of the TCAA (memberships due 1 September 2017).

3.2 Taipan 5.7 sail configuration:

3.2.1 Entrants must nominate a sail configuration to use for the regatta on the Entry Form, being either With Spinnaker or Without Spinnaker.

3.2.2 Entrants that nominate With Spinnaker will have their elapsed race times adjusted by the VYC Yardstick for a Taipan 5.7 with spinnaker to calculate corrected time.

3.2.3 Subject to 3.2.5, entrants that nominate Without Spinnaker will have their elapsed race times adjusted by the VYC Yardstick for a Taipan 5.7 without spinnaker to calculate corrected time.

3.2.4 Results will be based on corrected time.

3.2.5 Entrants that nominate Without Spinnaker on the Entry Form, but which carry a spinnaker at any time whilst racing, will be deemed to be With Spinnaker for the regatta and have their race results calculated/recalculated in accordance with 3.2.2, regardless of whether or not the spinnaker is actually used or able to be used.

3.2.6 Entrants that nominate With Spinnaker on the Entry Form but who wish to change to Without Spinnaker may do so up until the close of Registration but must provide written evidence to the Race Committee that at least 75% of registered Taipan 5.7 entrants consent to the change, whereupon their race results will be calculated in accordance with 3.2.3.

3.2.7 Once sail configuration has been determined in accordance 3.2.1, 3.2.5 or 3.2.6, it is fixed for the regatta for the purpose of calculating results.

3.3 The Organising Authority reserves the right to combine classes with less than 5 entries in the same Division.

3.4 It is compulsory for boats competing in the regatta to be covered by an appropriate insurance policy, including cover whilst racing, which shall include third party cover of not less than AUD \$5 million (recommended \$10 million) for any one incident.

Insurance certificates should be available for inspection at registration.

Entering this regatta will be taken as confirmation by the Organising Authority that the skipper and/or boat owner has the required insurance cover in place for the regatta.

Boats without the required insurance cover are ineligible to compete.

3.5 Eligible boats can enter by:

- Completing an Entry Form online (refer TCAA website) and making payment via the TCAA's PayPal facility, on or before 9 March 2018 (**preferred method**) NB. *Please refer to 4.1 Early Entry Fee;* or
- Completing the Entry Form at Appendix 1 and making payment by cash or cheque, including a \$30 late fee, at Registration.

Cheques should be made payable to "Taipan Catamaran Association of Aust."

3.6 Closing dates for entries:

- Online – 9 March 2018 NB. *Please refer to 4.1 Early Entry Fee.*
- Beach – 1100 hrs on 10 March 2018 (\$30 late fee applies)

4. ENTRY FEES

4.1 **An EARLY entry fee DISCOUNT of \$30 will apply to all online entries prior to 10th February 2018.**

4.2 Entry fees are as follows:

- Discounted entry fee (if paid by PayPal before midnight on 9 February 2018):
 - 2-up boat inclusive of dinner and racing = \$180
 - 1-up boat inclusive of dinner and racing = \$155
 - Racing only (no dinner) = \$130
- Late entry fee (if paid after midnight on 9 February 2018) – Additional \$30
- TCAA membership - \$40 (current if paid at 2017-2018 National Titles).

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 5.1 The schedule is flexible to allow for unfavourable weather and provides for 4 sessions over 3 days.
- 5.2 The Race Committee will aim for a series of 8 races, with each race to be approximately 40-45 minutes duration.
- 5.3 Session details:

Day	Date	Event	Time	No warning signal before	No warning signal after
Saturday	10 -Mar-18	Registration	1000 hrs – 1100 hrs		
		Briefing	1200 hrs		
		Session 1		1330 hrs	
Sunday	11-Mar-18	Briefing	0900		
		Session 2		1030 hrs	
		Session 3		1430 hrs	
Monday	12-Mar-18	Briefing	0900		
		Session 4		1030 hrs	1430 hrs
		Presentation	After racing		

- 5.4 When more than one race is to be held in a session, flag “L” shall be displayed on the finish boat, along with the applicable divisional flag(s).

6. MEASUREMENT

- 6.1 Each boat shall comply with the measurement requirements of its respective Class Rules and hold a valid measurement certificate (if required).
- 6.2 A boat may be inspected for compliance with its respective Class Rules and the Sailing Instructions at any time during the regatta, at the discretion of the Race Committee.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available at registration on Saturday, 11 March 2018.

8. VENUE

McCrae Yacht Club – 690 Point Nepean Rd, McCrae. 3938.

10. SCORING

- 10.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply, except that when 5 or more races are completed, a boat may discard her worst score.
- 10.2 When 4 races are completed a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 10.3 Up to 8 races are scheduled, of which at least 4 races must be completed to constitute a series.

11. COURSE

The course will be a Windward, Return Course as detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

12. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded for each Division as follows:

Number of entries (by Division)	Prizes awarded *
3 or fewer boats	1 st place
4 to 6 boats	1 st and 2 nd place
7 or more boats	1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd place

* Further prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Race Committee.

Note: To allow for accurate and timely purchase of trophies, the TCAA Committee will base its decision to award prizes on the number of completed online registrations as at midnight on **9th February 2018.**

13. RACING AREA

Racing will take place on Port Philip Bay, in the vicinity of McCrae Yacht Club.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

None of McCYC or TCAA, nor their respective members, officers and sponsors and all others involved in the management and conduct of this regatta, shall be liable for any loss of life or injury, or for any loss of property or damage thereto, whatsoever or howsoever occurring, from participation in this event. The race documents and instructions in no way limit or reduce the complete and unlimited responsibility of a competitor for the management and care of a boat that they have entered in the event. **ATTENTION IS DRAWN TO RRS 4 (DECISION TO RACE).**

16. AUTHORISATION

By participating in the event the participant automatically authorises the Organising Authority and the sponsors of the event the right to make use of and show from time to time names, images, sound recording and any other reproductions taken during the event and any other material related to the event without compensation.

17. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please refer to the TCAA website.

Attachments:

Appendix 1 – Entry Form

ENTRY FORM

APPENDIX 1

<u>BOAT DETAILS</u>				
Name:		Sail No.:		
Class (please circle):	4.9 cat	4.9 sloop	5.7 spinnaker	5.7 no spin
<u>INSURANCE DETAILS</u>				
Insurer:		Policy No.:		
<u>SKIPPER DETAILS</u>				
Name:		Age:		
AYF No. (if known):		Club:		
Address:				
Phone:		State:	Postcode:	
Email:				
<u>CREW DETAILS</u>				
Name:		Age:		
AYF No. (if known):		Club:		
Address:				
Phone:		State:	Postcode:	
Email:				
<u>ACKNOWLEDGEMENT(S)</u>				
<p>I/we agree to be bound by the RRS and all other rules that govern this event. I/We acknowledge that none of the McCYC or TCAA, nor their respective members, officers and sponsors and all others involved in the management and conduct of this regatta, shall be liable for any loss of life or injury, or for any loss of property or damage thereto, whatsoever or howsoever occurring, arising from participation in this event. I confirm that I have made my crew aware of these undertakings (where applicable) and that my boat is covered by Third Party Liability Insurance in accordance with item 3.4 of the Notice of Race.</p>				
Signed:		(Skipper)	Date:	
Signed:		(Crew)	Date:	

ENTRY FORM (CONTINUED)

ENTRANTS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE

As the parent/guardian of the abovenamed skipper and/or crew, I hereby consent to his/her /their participation in this event on the terms and conditions as outlined in this Entry Form and the Notice of Race.

Signed: (Parent/guardian - skipper) **Date:**

Signed: (Parent/guardian - crew) **Date:**

PAYMENT DETAILS

(due at or before registration)

Entry fee

- 2-up boat inclusive of dinner and racing = \$180
- 1-up boat inclusive of dinner and racing = \$155 \$
- Racing only (no dinner) = \$130

Late fee (if entry received after 9 February 2018) - \$30 \$.....

TCAA membership fee for 2017-2018 (if not already paid) - \$ \$.....

Total \$.....

Method of payment (please circle): PayPal Cash Cheque