



2022-23 A-Class Australian Championships

7th January to 13th January 2023

The Organising Authority will be the Australian International A Division Catamaran Assn Inc (AIADCA) under the authority of Australian Sailing (AS) in conjunction with Gippsland Lakes Yacht Club

Hosted by Gippsland Lakes Yacht Club (GLYC) located at The Esplanade, Paynesville, Victoria 3880

NOTICE OF RACE

(DP denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the Protest Committee. This changes RRS 64.1.

[NP] denotes that a breach of this rule shall not be grounds for protest by a boat, but may result in a protest by the Race Committee, Technical Committee or Protest Committee This changes RRS 60.1(a).

(SP) denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, Appendix A4 and Appendix A5.

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and Australian Sailing (AS) prescriptions will apply.

2. ADVERTISING (DP)

Boats may be required to display bow numbers and advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies.

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3.2. Boats with current IACA measurement certificates may compete in the following disciplines:

- Open
- Classic

- 3.3. Eligible boats may enter online via Sailor App or below link from 1/8/2022
<https://www.mysailingclub.com.au/event/GHJSP>
- 3.4. A discounted entry fee shall apply for all entries received prior to Sunday 4th December 2022.

4. ENTRY FEES (NP)

Entry Fee	AUD \$375
Discounted Entry Fee	AUD \$275 (if received prior to 4-12-2022)

5. REGATTA SCHEDULE

5.1. Schedule

Saturday 7th January 2023

- Equipment Inspection 0900 – 1700hrs
- Registration 1400 – 1700hrs

Sunday 8th January 2023

- Inspection and Registration by arrangement
- Skipper Briefing 1100hrs
- Practice Race(s) From 1400hrs
- Welcome Function

Monday 9th January 2023

- Racing from 1400hrs

Tuesday 10^h January 2023

- Racing

Wednesday 11th January 2023

- Racing

Thursday 12th January 2023

- Racing

Friday 13^h January 2023

- Racing
- Presentation Function

5.2. 12 Races in total (excluding practice races) are scheduled, normally 3 per day with a maximum of 4 races to be sailed in any one day.

5.3. On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 15:00.

6. MEASUREMENT AND EQUIPMENT CHECKS (DP)

6.1. Competitors shall present current measurement certificates for sail, platform and mast

6.2. Equipment inspection will be mandatory as per timetable above and conducted in accordance with A Class Catamaran Measurement guidelines. New sails, boats, and equipment must be measured before arriving at the Championship.

6.3. Facilities will not be available at the venue to undertake Fundamental Measurement.

6.4. The IACA weight restriction of 75kgs minimum all up boat weight shall apply. It is the skipper's responsibility to ensure their boat meets the weight restriction and is correctly weighed. Weighing facilities will be available at the event

6.5. The Technical Committee may spot check boats at any time during the Regatta.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

7.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available on the Regatta noticeboard.

7.2. The Sailing Instructions will also be posted at www.sailglyc.com from 2 days prior to the event.

8. VENUE

The racing area will be on the waters of Gippsland Lakes off Gippsland Lakes Yacht Club. Map of area is shown here: <https://binged.it/2SFFRQ0>

9. COURSE

The courses to be sailed will be Windward Leeward course as detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

11. SCORING

11.1. Twelve (12) races are scheduled in this series of which four (4) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

11.2. When 4 or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

11.3. When 5-8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

11.4. When 9 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

11.5. For the purpose of results in the aged division for Great Grand Masters only, when 8 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her 3 worst scores.

12. PRIZES

12.1. Prizes will be given as follows:
Open 1st to 3rd
Classic 1st to 3rd

12.2. Division trophies may also be awarded to the highest placed sailor in each division depending on entry numbers:

Lady
Junior (under 25)
Open (25-44)
Masters (45-54)
Grand Masters (55-64)
Great Grand Masters (65+)

- 12.3. Ages will be determined as at 1st January 2023 and the awarding of prizes will depend on number of entries.
- 12.4. Top 3 placings in either Discipline are ineligible to win any of the senior age category prizes
- 12.5. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the AIADCA
- 12.6. The top placed Australian in Open Discipline will be awarded the title 2022-23 Australian Champion
- 12.7. The top placed Classic Discipline boat will receive the Australian Perpetual trophy for Classics

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, *Decision to Race. The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.* The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

14. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD \$5,000,000 per incident or the equivalent. (AUD \$10,000,000 is recommended).

15. SAFETY AND EQUIPMENT (DP) (NP)

General: By completing Entry, competitors shall comply with the following:

- 15.1. Put safety of yourself and competitors above race results;
- 15.2. Keep the boat park and sailing area clean of any debris;
- 15.3. Do not leave the beach to sail without the necessary safety precautions.
- 15.4. All competitors are strongly advised to wear a safety helmet which complies with or is accredited to EN 1385 at all times whilst racing.

16. PHOTOGRAPHY

By entering the Regatta competitors accept that they may be photographed and/or videotaped participating in the race and/or using the regatta facilities and they consent to the taking of such images and to the use, re-use, publication and republication of such images in any media, in conjunction with the competitor's name or not, without compensation and without the competitor's approval of such images or any use thereof.

17. BOAT STORAGE (NP) (DP)

Boat storage is available in the designated fenced boat park adjacent to the club.

18. TRAILERS, CARS, AND SUPPORT BOATS (NP) (DP)

- 18.1. Competitors and their support crews are requested to comply with directions as given by the designated Beach and Boat Park Manager.
- 18.2. Trailers may be stored on the adjacent public carpark

18.3. Support Boats may be stored on the adjacent public carpark.

19. FURTHER INFORMATION

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20. ACCOMODATION

- 20.1. Over 60 home accommodation options within proximity to GLYC
- 20.2. Refer www.visitpaynesville.com
- 20.3. **Apartments**
Captains Cove www.captainscove.com.au
Mariners Cove 03 5156 7444 www.marinerscoveresort.com
- 20.4. **Houses**
Gippsland Lakes Escapes www.gippslandlakesescapes.com.au
Airbnb www.airbnb.com.au
Over 60 home accommodation options within proximity to GLYC
- 20.5. **Caravan, cabin & camping**
Resthaven Caravan Park www.resthavenpaynesville.com
Allawah Caravan and Boat Park www.allawahpark.com
Eagle Point Caravan Park
www.eastgippsland.vic.gov.au/Services/Council_Caravan_Parks/Eagle_Point_Caravan_Park
The Abbey (Raymond Island) www.theabbey.org.au

21. TOURISM

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