

Portarling Sailing Club Inc. Portarlington Mussel Festival Mussel Cup

Saturday 13th January 2018

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

RULES.

The race will be governed by the current ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of Yachting Australia and the appropriate class rules, except as any of these are altered by this Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions.



1. SAFETY.

This is a open event for sailing yachts including OTB classes, all yachts shall confirm with their appropriate class rules. **Buoyancy Vests will be worn by all competitors at all time** except where full length safety lines are fitted.

2. ENTRIES.

This race is open to sailing yachts, including OTB classes. Eligible yachts may be entered by completing registration with the Portarlington Sailing Club Inc. **The Entry Fee is \$0.00.**

3. SCORING

All competitors will have their elapsed time adjusted for their AYF or class handicap as notified on their entry form.

4. SIGN ON / OFF

A representative of each yacht must sign on prior to the race and sign off within one hour of the last yacht finishing. Sign On / Off sheets will be located in the P.S.C clubhouse and on Portarlington pier. This may also be done by VHF to "Portarlington Sailing Club" on ch 72

5. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

A **briefing notes will be available on the PSC website and will be held at** the P.S.C. Clubhouse. The **Course** to be sailed will be as detailed in these instructions. Notices to Competitors will be posted on the noticeboard in the Clubhouse

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

The warning signal will be at 1425 and the start will be at 1430

7. RACING AREA

Off Portarlington Pier

8. THE COURSE

Start Line A line between the committee boat bearing code flag F and an orange cone situated approx 300 metres North of the Portarlington pier.. A barging buoy consisting of an orange cone may be used.

Mark #1 Consisting of an orange cone approx .7y nm NE of Portarlington Pier (38deg 5.959'S 144deg 39.984'E)

Gate (38deg6.033'S 144deg38.378'E) .7nm NW of Portarlington pier.

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Finish Line Between an orange cone situated approx 300 metres North of the Portarlington pier and a red safety mark approx 50m North of Portarlington pier

Total distance approx 6nm

13. THE FINISH

13.1 The FINISHING LINE for all Divisions shall be between a red safety mark buoy off the NW corner Portarlington Pier and the P.S.C Finish Buoy, a blue cone North of the Portarlington Pier.

14. TIME LIMIT

60 minutes after the first boat crosses the finish line.

17. PRIZES. The Portarlington Mussel Festival Mussel Cup Trophy will be awarded to the yacht the shortest elapsed time after its respective handicap has been applied trophies will also be awarded to second and third place getters.

18. INDEMNITY

The Portarlington Sailing Club Inc. is not responsible for the seaworthiness of the yachts or the sufficiency or adequacy of the crews and equipment whose entries have been accepted. The PAYC reserves the right to refuse any entry. Attention is drawn to Rule 4 which states "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".