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SAIL MELBOURNE PACER AUSTRALIA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP METUNG 2007

NOTICE OF RACE

Organising Authority:

Pacer Australia Inc. in conjunction with Metung Yacht Racing Club Inc & Sail Melbourne

Pacer Australia as the organising authority has contracted the Metung Yacht Racing Club to conduct the Sail Melbourne Pacer Australia National Championships Metung 2007 on the waters of the Gippsland Lakes at Metung in Victoria from Friday 29th December 2006 to Thursday 4th January 2007.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. The prescriptions and Special Regulations of Yachting Australia, Addendum A, Part 2 will apply.
- 1.3. Fundamental Rule 1.2 and Special Regulations Addendum 'A' Part 2 (Off the Beach Boats), R1 Personal Buoyancy are amended to require that children under 12 years of age shall wear a PFD Type 1 that complies with R1.2 (a).
Competitors attention is drawn to R1.3, which requires that PFDs be in good condition and in accordance with the specifications of R1.2.
- 1.4. All boats shall sign on and sign off ashore as specified in the sailing instructions, before and after each on water session. Boats failing to comply with this mandatory requirement will be scored DNS without a hearing; this alters RRS 63.1. There will be no exceptions to this requirement for safety reasons.
- 1.5. The Pacer Class Rules and Pacer Sailing Rules will apply.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1. Advertising will be restricted to Category A.
- 2.2. Competitors may be required to display the Series or Event sponsor's name/logo and bow numbers. If required, the Organising Authority will supply these items and they shall be displayed as prescribed in the Sailing Instructions.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the Pacer Class, which hold a current measurement certificate. (Note Appendix B: Pacer Sailing Rules 2006 C.3. May be found on www.pacersailing.org.au)
- 3.2. All skippers and crews shall be a financial member of Pacer Australia, which may be through membership of the Pacer Association in their home State.
- 3.3. Eligible boats may enter by online entry on the official website www.pacersailing.org.au OR by completing the Entry Form and sending it, together with the required fee, to:
The Treasurer PO Box 511 Altona 3018 by the closing date.
- 3.4. Early Bird Discount (as described in Item 4.1) will apply to entries, which are received with payment of the required fees not later than 8th December 2006.
Any entry received with missing information will not be eligible for the Early Bird Discount, unless the missing information is also supplied by the 8th December 2006.
- 3.5. Entries will be accepted until the close of Registration at 1200 hours on 29th December 2006.

4. FEES

- 4.1. Regatta entry fees are as follows:
Senior and Junior Entry Fees
 Early Bird Discount: \$195.00
 Standard Entry fee: \$245.00

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 5.1. Registration:
Friday, 29th December 2006 from 0900 to 1200 hours
Dates of racing:

Event / Activity	Day	Date	Course	Warning Signal
Invitation Race	Friday	29th December 2006	TBA	13:25 hours
Race 1	Saturday	30th December 2005	Long	10:25 hours
Race 2	Saturday	30th December 2005	Long	13:25 hours
Race 3	Sunday	31st December 2005	Short	10:25 hours
Race 4	Sunday	31st December 2005	Short	Refer to 5.3
Resail if required	Sunday	31st December 2005	As Required	13:25 hours
Lay Day	Monday	1st January 2006	-	No racing
Race 5	Tuesday	2nd January 2006	Long	10:25 hours
Race 6	Tuesday	2nd January 2006	Long	13:25 hours
Race 7	Wednesday	3rd January 2006	Long	10:25 hours
Resail if required	Wednesday	3rd January 2006	As Required	13:25 hours
Race 8	Thursday	4th January 2006	Short	10:25 hours
Race 9	Thursday	4th January 2006	Short	Refer to 5.3
Resail if required	Thursday	4th January 2006	As Required	13:25 hours

- 5.2. When more than one race will be held in one on water section, the warning signal for each succeeding race will be made not less than 10 minutes after the official finishing time of the last boat in the preceding race. To alert boats that another race will begin soon, the postponement signal will be displayed for at least four minutes before a warning signal is displayed.
- 5.3. No warning signal will be made before 0930 or later than 1130 hours for morning races and 1730 hours for afternoon races on any day, however on the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1600 hours.

6. MEASUREMENTS

- 6.1. Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate at registration.
- 6.2. Sails shall be presented at registration.
- 6.3. Measurement checks and inspections may be carried out at any time during the regatta.
- 6.4. A boat notified of inspection shall follow the instructions of the Race Committee.
- 6.5. To arrange boat measurement prior to the regatta, please contact the Class Measurer, Ian Ravenscroft
Phone: (03) 9337 1434

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1. The sailing instructions will be available at registration

8. VENUE

- 8.1. The regatta will be conducted at the Metung Yacht Racing Club on the waters of the Gippsland Lakes at Metung in Victoria.
- 8.2. The map on Attachment 1 shows the location of the club and the approximate racing area.

9. THE COURSES

- 9.1. The courses to be sailed will be triangular format that may be set with reduced or increased dimensions appropriate to the conditions as long courses or short courses as described in the sailing instructions.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1. As Per Rules 44.1 and 44.2 (720°)

11. SCORING

- 11.1. The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.
- 11.2. 9 races are scheduled and 5 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.3. When 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 11.4. When 6 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst race score.

12. SUPPORT BOATS

- 12.1. Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay at least 200 metres outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the start until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 12.2. Support boats shall be marked by displaying flag O of a minimum size of 400 by 500mm, conspicuously at all times.

13. RADIO COMMUNICATION

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

14. PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows, except that prized marked with an asterisk (*) will be subject to the number of entries in that division

- 14.1. Championship
Open Division 1st, (Polycell Prout Trophy) 2nd, 3rd & 4th placed boats
- 14.2. Other Divisions
Division B 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed boats
Division C 1st, 2nd and 3rd* placed boats
Junior Skipper and Crew 1st, 2nd and 3rd* placed boats
Junior Skipper with Senior Crew 1st, placed boat
Boats without spinnaker 1st, placed boat

Divisions will be allocated at the discretion of the Race Committee after completion of the Invitation Race and 3 races of the Championship. Allocation to divisions shall be based on a boats results only in those races which they completed.

The age limit for Junior skippers and crews shall be under 18 years on the 29 December 2006

Prizes marked with * are subject to the number of entries

Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Race Committee

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 15.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk in accordance with rule 4, "Decision to Race - The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".
- 15.2. 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.
- 15.3. Wind limits and weather conditions guidelines will be included in the Sailing Instruction booklet.
- 15.4. Competitors shall accept that their participation in the Regatta is at their sole and exclusive risk in every respect. Competitors shall indemnify the Pacer Association and the organising Club their officers, members, servants, volunteers, and agents in respect of any and all claims and demands what so ever in respect of their participation in this regatta.

16. INSURANCE

- 16.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of Aus\$ 5 million.
- 16.2. The completion of an entry form by a competitor and acceptance by the organising authority shall constitute a statement by the competitor that suitable cover is valid for the period of the Regatta.
- 16.3. A copy of the current Insurance Policy document shall be submitted at Registration.

17. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact:

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ATTACHMENT 1