



45th AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIP
INTERNATIONAL FLYING FIFTEEN CLASS
5th – 12th JANUARY 2007
ROYAL BRIGHTON YACHT CLUB INC.



NOTICE of RACE

The ROYAL BRIGHTON YACHT CLUB INC. (RBYC) invites entries to the 45th Australian Championship for the International Flying Fifteen Class to be sailed on the waters of PORT PHILLIP from the 5th to the 12th of January 2007. The event will be hosted by the RBYC, which will act in conjunction with FFIA as the organising authority under the authority of Yachting Victoria.

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 provisions of the YA Special Regulations Part 2 – for Off The Beach Boats will apply.

2. ADVERTISING

Advertising shall be in accordance with Class Rule B 17.

The forward 25% of the hull length shall be reserved for the event sponsor(s) and bow numbers.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the International Flying Fifteen class.
- 3.2. Boats must hold a valid FFI Measurement Certificate.
- 3.3. Both helm and crew shall be financial members of YA.I. or affiliated to an alternative MNA.
- 3.4. The boat's owner shall be an ordinary (not an associate) member of a recognized State or National Flying Fifteen Association and shall be affiliated to FFI. The boat's helm and crew shall each be a member of a recognized State or National Flying Fifteen Association.
- 3.5. All entrants shall compete in the Open Division. In addition, entries will be accepted for Classic Division and Silver sub-divisions.

Classic Division is open to boats with sail numbers up to 2700 and, in addition, unmodified boats with sail numbers above 2700 derived from genuine classic moulds, but excluding boats that have had substantial hull shell modifications. A definitive listing of boats qualifying for Classic status is published on the Flying Fifteen International website at www.flying15.org and in the Flying Fifteen International Yearbook 2006. A separate start may be provided for 20 or more starters.

Silver Division is open to boats with registrations from 2701 to 3200 and also including any boats with sail numbers below 2701 that do not meet the Classic Division criteria.

Any dispute regarding the eligibility of a boat in the above sub-divisions will be resolved by the National Chief Measurer whose decision shall be final.

- 3.6. Eligible boats may be entered by completing the Entry Form accompanying the Notice of Race or (not before 31 August 2006), by electronic data input at www.rbyc.yachting.org.au

4. FEES

- 4.1. The entry fee is \$260 and includes race entry, two series souvenir crew shirts (long sleeve polos), and tickets for each crewmember to attend the Welcome Party, the mid-series BBQ and the presentation dinner.
4. The closing date for entries is Friday 1st December 2006. Late entries will be accepted up to 1600hrs on Saturday 6th January 2007, together with a late payment fee of \$50.00. Entries submitted after 24th December 2006 shall be made either electronically or delivered by hand in hard copy to the Race Office at RBYC during the Championship Registration period.
- 4.1. Additional souvenir shirts, and tickets for additional attendees at the social functions, (including the Presentation Dinner), can be ordered, and must be paid for, with the entry. Payments can be made by credit card by telephone or at the RBYC office.

5. MEASUREMENT AND REGISTRATION

- 5.1. At registration, all entrants must present the boat's Measurement Certificate, together with a declaration and evidence of insurance cover, financial membership of a Class Association, and skipper and crew membership of, or affiliation to their Member National Authority (YAI in Australia).
- 5.2. The names of both crew shall be declared at registration. No crew change will be permitted thereafter, without the prior written consent of the Race Committee.
- 5.3. Following registration, a boat must be presented for safety and measurement inspections. Not more than two mainsails, two headsails, and two spinnakers shall be registered for use in the regatta.
- 5.4. A boat's entry will be finalised only on satisfactory completion of actions required by paragraphs 5.1, 5.2 and 5.3.
- 5.5. A boat may be weighed, inspected, and measured at any time during the Regatta if required by the Race Committee or Protest Committee.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1. Registration will be held at the RBYC Race Office on Friday 5th and Saturday 6th January 2007 between 0900hrs and 1600hrs.
- 6.2. Measurement and Inspection will be conducted at RBYC on Friday 5th and Saturday 6th January 2007 between 0900hrs and 1600hrs.
- 6.3. A Competitors' Meeting will be held at the RBYC on Sunday 7th January 2007 at 11:00hrs.
- 6.4. **Racing:** The dates and times of racing will be as follows.

Day/Date	Warning Signal	Event
Sunday 7 th January 2007	1355hrs	Invitation Race
Monday 8 th January 2007	1355hrs	Championship Racing Session
Tuesday 9 th January 2007	0955 hrs 1355hrs	Championship Racing Session Championship Racing Session
Wednesday 10 th January 2007	1355hrs	Championship Racing Session
Thursday 11 th January 2007	0955hrs 1355hrs	Championship Racing Session Championship Racing Session
Friday 12 th January 2007	0955hrs	Championship Racing Session

- 6.5. Races 1 to 7 will be conducted consecutively within the racing sessions.
- 6.6. Sailing Instructions will provide for up to two races to be conducted each sailing session to a maximum of three races on a single day. The series will consist of a maximum seven races overall. Where two races are conducted in a session, they will be sailed back to back, with a short delay between them.
- 6.7. Notification that a second race will be sailed in one racing session shall be signaled by a flag code "Q" flown at the finish of the first race of that session
- 6.8. Racing will be conducted over courses of approximately 100 minutes duration.
- 6.9. Social Events:
 - Welcome Cocktail Party:** Saturday 6th January 2007, 1830hrs, at RBYC.
 - Mid-series BBQ:** Wednesday 10th January 2007, 1800hrs, at RBYC
 - Presentation Dinner:** Friday 12th January 2007, 1900 hrs, at RBYC

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available after 0900hrs on Friday 5th January 2007 at the RBYC Race Office.

8. VENUE

The Regatta will be conducted on Port Phillip Bay - to the west of the RBYC breakwater.

9. THE COURSE

The courses to be sailed will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions and will be a combination of windward, leeward and triangle legs.

10 SCORING

- 10.1 Seven Championship races are scheduled, of which four are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 10.2 When only four or five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 10.3 When six or seven races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

11. SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats shall fly code flag U. Coaches and other support personnel shall not encroach within 50 metres of any competing boat in the race area between the warning signal and the finish time of the last boat in each race, without the prior approval of the race committee. Failure to comply may, after protest, result in the disqualification of all boats associated with the infringing vessel.

12. BOAT PARKING AND LAUNCHING

The regatta will be a "dry" regatta. Boat park accommodation will be provided for all competing boats. Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the boat park.

13. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

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

14. PRIZES

- 14.1. Prizes will be awarded as follows:

The Uffa Fox Trophy	1st Invitation Race
The Coweslip Trophy	1st Championship
The Canberra Plate	2nd Championship
The Tempest Trophy	3rd Championship
The Gippsland Lakes YC Trophy	4th Championship
The Walbourn Trophy	1st boat numbered 400 or more below the highest numbered boat entered
The JAT (Tally) Hobbs Trophy	1st Silver Division
The Anniversary Trophy	1st Classic Division
The Allan Brooke Trophy	1st Handicap
The Masters Trophy	1st Helmsman over 50 years of age
The Bill Shand Trophy	1st boat with combined ages of Helmsman and Crew over 110 years
The Rising Stars Trophy	1st boat with combined ages of Helmsman and Crew under 50 years

(In addition to perpetual trophies, their winners will receive commemorative trophies to retain.)

14.2. Sponsors' Daily Prizes will be presented at the conclusion of sailing each day. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organising committee.

14.3. Major prizes will be presented at the Presentation Dinner.

15. DISCLAIMER

The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone. Competitors shall accept that their participation in the Regatta is at their exclusive risk in every respect.

The Organising Authorities and Royal Brighton Yacht Club, their officers, members, servants and agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of their participation or intended participation in the Regatta or howsoever arising in connection with the Regatta.

16. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

17. SOCIAL AMENITIES

17.1. Bar facilities and snacks, lunch and evening meals are available throughout the Regatta.

17.2. All entrants, their partners, family, and support personnel will be granted Temporary Membership of the RBYC for the period of the Championship.



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ENTRY FORM

To:

FLYING FIFTEEN AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2007
ROYAL BRIGHTON YACHT CLUB INC.
253 THE ESPLANADE
MIDDLE BRIGHTON
VIC 3186:

Please accept my entry for the 45th Australian Championships of the International Flying Fifteen Class to be conducted at the ROYAL BRIGHTON YACHT CLUB INC. (RBYC) from the 5th to 12th January 2007.

SAIL NO: HULL COLOUR:

BOAT NAME:

SKIPPER: (Mr/Ms)

YAI Member No:

HOME ADDRESS:
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PHONE:..... YACHT CLUB.....

CREW: (Mr/Ms)

YAI Member No:

CREW AGES AT 8 JANUARY 2007: SKIPPER..... Years. CREW..... Years.

SHIRT SIZES: SKIPPER: CREW: (Unisex size code - half chest in brackets for info)
XXS (48.5), XS (51), S (53.5), M (56), L (58.5), XL (61), or XXL (63.5);

(Note: Shirt orders may not be satisfied for late entries – but we will do our best.)

ENTRY FEE

The \$260 entry fee and payment for additional items indicated on the Additional Items Order Form is enclosed. (Please make cheques payable to "RBYC - FF").

CLASSIC AND SILVER DIVISION ENTRIES

I wish to enter for the following Division championship - refer to Notice of Race Section 3.3.

(please tick the appropriate box) Classic Division Silver Division

DECLARATION

I agree to be bound by The Racing Rules of Sailing and by all other rules that govern this event.

I acknowledge that competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. (See Racing Rule 4 – ‘Decision to Race’.) I acknowledge that the organising 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.

I confirm that the boat entered has third party liability insurance cover of not less than \$5,000,000 per event or the equivalent and I confirm that this insurance cover will be maintained for the full duration of this event.

Insurance Company Name.....

Policy No.....

Signature:

Date:

Note: If the skipper or crew member is under 18 years of age the following consent must be signed (one for each if both are under 18).

I

of.....

being the parent, legal guardian or custodian ofconsent to him/her participating in the 45th Australian Championships for the International Flying Fifteen Class upon the terms and conditions set out in the Notice of Race and do likewise agree to indemnify YV, the RBYC, FFI-V and FFI-A, and their officials or members, as prescribed in those documents.

Signature:

Date:

ENTRY FORM (CONTINUED)

ADDITIONAL ITEMS ORDER FORM

BOAT NUMBER.....

Please indicate the number of additional items required and total price:

- 1. EXTRA WELCOME COCKTAIL TICKETS (Skipper and crew tickets are included in the Entry fee.)

Number of extra Adults: @ \$18 \$.....
Number of extra Children: @ \$10 \$.....

- 2. EXTRA Mid-Series BBQ TICKETS (Skipper and crew tickets are included in the Entry fee.)

Number of extra Adults: @ \$18 \$.....
Number of extra Children: @ \$10 \$.....

- 3. EXTRA PRESENTATION DINNER TICKETS (Skipper and crew tickets are included in the Entry fee.)

Total number of Adults: @ \$35 \$.....
Total number of Children: @ \$10 \$.....

- 4. EXTRA SHIRTS (long sleeve polo)
Total number: @ \$28 \$.....

Sizes:,,,
XXS (48.5), XS (51), S (53.5), M (56), L (58.5), XL (61), or XXL (63.5)
(Unisex size code - half chest in brackets for info)

TOTAL \$.....

Plus Entry Fee \$ 2 6 0

Total Payable \$.....

SUPPORTERS WELCOME HOSPITALITY.

During the Invitation Race, hospitality will be provided on the hardstand for supporters (families, partner etc). Please indicate the number of likely attendees associated with your entry, and their names. (Note: Children = Under 13.)

Adults..... Children.....

Names:,
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