



# AUSTRALIAN INTERNATIONAL A-DIVISION CATAMARAN ASSOCIATION Inc.

## 2025 A Class Catamaran Victorian Championships

**Elwood Sailing Club**  
5 Elwood Foreshore, Elwood VIC

Saturday March 8<sup>th</sup> 2025 – Monday March 10<sup>th</sup> 2025

### NOTICE OF RACE

Australian International A-Division Catamaran Association Inc. (AIADCA), in conjunction with Elwood Sailing Club Inc. (ESC) invite entries from A-Division Catamaran Sailors to compete in the 2025 A Class Catamaran Victorian Championships.

The Organising Authority is the Elwood Sailing Club in conjunction with the Australian International A-Division Catamaran Association.

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. The Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2, Off the Beach Boats shall apply.
- 1.3. Appendix T, Arbitration, and the Equipment Rules of Sailing shall apply
- 1.4. The class rules of the International A-Division Catamaran Association (IACA) shall apply.
- 1.5. RRS 44.1 is amended to a one-turn penalty, refer NOR 10.1.

.... except as any of these are altered by the sailing instructions.

#### 2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 The Regatta is classified as a category "C" event.
- 2.2 The forward 25% of the hull is reserved by the Regatta Organising Authority for display of advertising by event sponsor(s). Boats intending to carry advertising should provide details of their sponsors on the entry form. Entrants will be advised if they are in conflict with the event sponsor(s). Tobacco advertising shall not be permitted.

### **3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 3.1 The regatta is open to boats of the International A Division class and skippers who are financial members of AIADCA and Australian Sailing.
- 3.2 Boats with current IACA measurement certificates (sail, mast & platform) may compete in the following disciplines:
- Open
  - Classic
- 3.3 Eligible boats may enter online via Sailor App Regatta tab 2025 A Class Victorian Championships.
- 3.4 Entries are encouraged as early as possible to assist regatta organisers. Entries shall be made by close of Registration time on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2025.

### **4. FEES**

- 4.1 An Entry Fee of \$150 shall be payable to the AIADCA via the Sailor App Regatta tab 2025 A Class Victorian Championships.
- 4.2 Complimentary entry is available for AIADCA Life Members and interstate members who are financial for the current season.

### **5. SCHEDULE OF REGATA**

Saturday 8<sup>h</sup> March 2025

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|---|--------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Registration                 | 1000 – 1100hrs     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sailors Briefing             | 1130hrs            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Racing                       | Not before 1300hrs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Welcome Function @yacht club | 1800hrs            |

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2025

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Racing                         | Not before 1000hrs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drinks and nibbles @yacht club | After racing       |

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2024

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Racing                       | Not before 1000hrs                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation upstairs at ESC | As soon as practical after racing |

## **6. MEASUREMENT**

- 6.1 Competitors shall have current measurement certificates for sail, mast and platform used in the regatta.
- 6.2 New sails, boats and equipment must be measured before arriving at championship. Facilities will not be available at the venue to undertake fundamental measurement.
- 6.3 The Measurer may spot check boats at any time during the Regatta. A boat notified of inspection shall follow the instructions of the Measurers. Boats failing to measure in accordance with the rules will be scored DSQ from all races prior.

## **7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 7.1 Sailing Instructions will be available at ESC at Registration.

## **8. VENUE**

- 8.1 The racing area will be off Elwood beach between Point Ormond and the Brighton breakwater.
- 8.2 The launching area is broad sandy beach and is shared with the public. Club volunteers may be present to help with boat launch and retrieval.

## **9. COURSE**

- 9.1 The Course and Course area will be as described in the Sailing Instructions.

## **10. PENALTY**

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

## **11. SCORING**

- 11.1 Up to 9 races are scheduled of which 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.2 The Low Point Scoring as per RRS Appendix A4 will apply.

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

## **12. PRIZES**

- 12.1 The winners will receive the Perpetual Trophy Open and Classic disciplines.
- 12.2 Prizes will also be awarded for the first 3 places overall Open and Classic disciplines. Prizes will be awarded to the highest placed "Retro" competitors. (Classic with straight boards and no deck sweeper)
- 12.3 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the AIADCA. This may include trophies or prizes to the highest placed sailors in age divisions - Junior (under 25), Masters (45-54), Grand Master (55-64), and Great Grand Masters (65+), and Women's division. Age shall be determined as at 1st January 2025.

## **13. SAFETY**

- 13.1. Appropriate approved buoyancy aids shall be worn in accordance with Australian Sailing Special Regulation Part 2.

## **14. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 14.1 Except in an emergency, 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.

## **15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 15.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. 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.

## **16. INSURANCE**

- 16.1 All boats shall have third party insurance cover of not less than AU\$5,000.000 (AU\$10,000,000 recommended). All competitors who sign the Entry Form are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold valid Insurance.

## **17. BOAT & TRAILER STORAGE, CAR PARKING**

- 17.1 Boats and trailers may be left on the southern rigging area from 1700hrs on Friday 7 March to 1700hrs on Monday 10 March 2025. This area will be fenced and the gate locked at 1830 hrs. Elwood Sailing Club will accept no responsibility for loss or damage to boats and equipment stored in this area.
- 17.2 Pay parking is available in the Council car park adjacent to the Club. Free car parking is available along Ormond Esplanade from 1000hrs each day. No cars are to be parked in the areas surrounding the clubhouse.
- 17.3 Refer Attachment 1 for visitor maps.

## **18. LOCAL INFORMATION**

- 18.1 The ESC canteen will be open prior to racing each day. Cool drinks, snacks and lunch items will be available for purchase.
- 18.2 The Elwood Village on Ormond Road is a good spot for breakfast or a relaxing coffee. It's a 5 minute walk from the club and has a good mix of cafes, bakeries and restaurants and a small supermarket. For those simply looking for a takeaway coffee, there is also a cafe adjacent to the club.
- 18.3 Accommodation options include motels, serviced apartments and short-term rentals. The more inviting nearby suburbs are Elwood, Elsternwick and Brighton. Hampton and Sandringham, although a little further away (a 15 minute drive), may also be worth considering along with motels in St Kilda.

## **19. FURTHER INFORMATION**

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# Attachment 1: Location Maps

## Boat Park



## Car Parking

