

# 2019-2020 **ORCV Year Book**



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## Foreword

Welcome to the 2019 ORCV Year book, a record of achievement, a plan for the year ahead and a chance to say thank you. Tim Boucaut and his marketing/communications team have worked hard to make the year book better than ever, one of the more obvious changes is separating out the knowledge section. This makes it lighter and more usable for taking offshore as a resource and more concise in terms of the year that was and to come. The knowledge section is highly valued, it brings together knowledge gained by many of our volunteers and contributors. We would love your perspective and improvement suggestions to keep updating it, especially as technology continues to evolve. Please send your ideas through or chat to us at various events.

The 2019-2020 year book includes changes to our racing season. Justin and his team have been spending a lot of time gathering competitor's opinion, understanding what they want and what they do not want. After a successful revamp of the winter series and changing the basis of the offshore championship scoring, this year the sailing team are focusing on building in more Category 3 racing. We understand that the sport is changing, as we see the drop in interest for windward/leeward competitive bay racing. We also observe the drop in interest in Easter racing to Port Fairy, what was once a very popular race. We note the building interest in our Double Handed racing and short Category 3 races like Apollo Bay. This is consistent with feedback we received, a desire for shorter Friday night start and get home for Sunday style of racing. Life pressures with families and other interests, plus the need to provide crew training opportunities means this style of racing is in demand. Our Melbourne to Hobart race remains our premier race but faces some stiff competition, we will need your support to ensure it remains viable and successful as we move to our 50th in 2021.

Our training program led by Simon Dryden is extremely popular with a broad offering addressing the needs of budding sailors right through to our extremely experienced competitors. With the Beyond the Bay program running once again, with its radio and navigation elements plus booked out Sea Safety and Survival Course (SSSC) courses our training team is working very hard. But when you remember our training volunteers are usually also either competing or running races, their efforts are particularly impressive and appreciated.

Behind the scenes our interaction with Australian Sailing and other local yacht clubs continues, with many of them partnering to provide facilities and services, without them we couldn't function. Our safety team continues not only their equipment audit role but also advocates for improvements at a national level as well as keeping across change. Our club continues to lead the nation in initiatives such as Sat phone in lieu of HF, 4+Autohelm and Double Handed competition.

Our Trackers and Blue Water Tracks user interface is leading edge, providing supporters with the ability to follow the races at home or on their mobiles. The move from our Footscray office to the State Sailing Centre with Australian Sailing has been very successful, with a better more enjoyable work environment and a positive financial return through leasing of the Footscray office. The decision of our predecessors to purchase the Footscray office has provided a significant club asset with an excellent financial return.

On behalf of all our members, competitors and participants a big thank you to all our volunteers. Also a big thank you to Vanessa and Jen in the office who work many hours behind the scenes to support our racing, training and our members. For them both it is more than just a job, it's a passion so thank you. We recognize and thank our Sponsors, Supporters and Partners, without whose support the club would not function. Chirping Bird Wines and Blue Water Tracks deserve a special mention for their sponsorship in kind, they are valued supporters.

Thank you to our hard working committee, we welcomed Ryan Blackstock, Helen McCrae, Jill Blumson, John Gordon and Tim Boucaut to the team and bid a thank you and farewell to Lynne Wilton, Marissa McManusa and Tim Fowler. Our Vice Commodore Nick McGuigan did a great job as Sail Captain and has handed over to Justin Brenan after overseeing many of the successful changes to the sailing program. A special mention and thank you to Neville Rose who had planned to step down but agreed to continue on in his "Immediate Past Commodore" role, providing myself and others with valuable mentoring and advice as well as significant hands on IT and other support. Thank you to Simon Dryden, in his Treasurer role he continues to keep us financially focused providing us with much needed reports and analysis plus not so subtle reminders on being careful with funds.

Through the efforts of everyone at the ORCV, we can be proud of our year's achievement, seeing a 50% increase in the participation in the Winter Series and a fantastic 82% increase in training participants. The club is thriving through a shared love of our sport of Ocean Racing plus the sense of community and fun when we get together.

Thank you, see you out on the water.

**Martin Vaughan**  
*Commodore*

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# Club



# ORCV 2019 - 2020 RACING SCHEDULE

In addition to the training races incorporated in the biennial Beyond the Bay programme, the ORCV annual racing programme includes: .

- Bay racing, including the 4 main Winter Series Races plus a double handed race run in April.
- Four Category 3 Coastal Races, each approximately 50 NM in length
- Five Category 2 offshore events between 114NM and 435 NM in length.
- The races are open to fully crewed boats, double handed crew and yachts sailing "4 plus autohelm"

Date	Race	Cat
21/10/2019	Latitude Overnight Navigator's Challenge	5N
02/11/2019	Melbourne to Stanley Race (160 nm)	2
23/11/2019	Latitude Ocean Race	3
23/11/2019	Coastal Sprint Race 1 ( ~50 nm)	3
25/11/2019	Latitude Pursuit race ( 30 nm)	5
26/12/2019	Cock of the Bay ( 37 nm)	5
27/12/2019	Melbourne to Hobart Westcoaster Race (435 nm)	2
27/12/2019	Melbourne to Devonport Rudder Cup Race (195 nm)	2
15/02/2020	Coastal Sprint Race 2 ( ~50 nm)	3
07/03/2020	Melbourne to King Island Race ( 114 nm)	2
10/04/2020	Coastal Sprint Race 3 ( ~50 nm)	3
26/04/2020	Double Handed Race ( 24 nm)	6
16/05/2020	Melbourne to Apollo Bay Race ( 52 nm)	3
20/06/2020	Winter Series Day 1 - RMYS Passage Race	5
04/07/2020	Winter Series Day 2 - Blairgowrie Passage Race	5
05/07/2020	WGIS Passage Race Blairgowrie to Melbourne	6
18/07/2020	Winter Series Re-sail date	-
01/08/2020	Winter Series Day 3 - RBYC passage race	5
29/08/2020	Winter Series Day 4 - Melbourne to Geelong Race (34-58 nm)	5
30/08//2020	Novice Skippers & Navigators Passage Race Geelong to Melbourne	5
12/09/2020	Queenscliff - Westernport Sprint	3

## OTHER EVENTS

For the 2019-2020 season, the ORCV will conduct a series of ocean races as shown in the Race Summary above. In addition, the ORCV will also conduct or be associated with the following series and events:

- The Sovereign Series consisting of the Cock of the Bay, the Melbourne to Hobart Westcoaster and the DSS King of the Derwent.
- The Bass Strait Series consisting of the Cock of the Bay, the Rudder Cup and the MYC Top of the Island Race sailed off Devonport on 30 December 2019.

The Ocean Racing Club of Victoria (ORCV) runs a number of Ocean races every year including the long-distance race to Hobart via the West coast of Tasmania and the Rudder Cup to Devonport. The club also conducts periodic long-distance races including the Melbourne to Osaka and Melbourne to Noumea races.

## History & Objectives

The Ocean Racing Club of Victoria (ORCV) was formed as the Cruising Yacht Club of Victoria by a group of yachtsmen in 1949 and renamed in 1972. The ORCV was incorporated in 1986. The club was formed so that ocean races in Victorian waters could be efficiently developed and run by an organisation focusing specifically on the needs of ocean racers. The Ocean Racing Club of Victoria is a member club of Yachting Victoria with affiliations to Australian Sailing and World Sailing.

The club functions as a non-profit organisation that draws its membership from all of the major yacht clubs in Victoria. It does not compete with other yacht clubs by operating a clubhouse or marina facility.

The objectives of the Ocean Racing Club of Victoria are:

- To develop and expand the sport of Ocean racing
- To be the expert body which coordinates and controls all major ocean racing events that are run within or emanate from the State of Victoria
- To be an efficient administrator of the sport of ocean racing and a centre of knowledge about ocean racing

The ORCV is equipped and willing to comment publicly regarding ocean racing matters. To pursue policies that ensure ocean racing is an exciting but intrinsically safe and carefully regulated sport, which does not impose a cost burden on the general community.

## Racing Schedule

The 2019-2020 Offshore Races Calendar includes:

- Melbourne to Stanley
- Latitude Ocean Race
- Melbourne to Hobart
- Melbourne to Devonport
- Melbourne to King Island
- The Coastal "Sprint" Series
- Melbourne to Apollo Bay

In addition, the ORCV will also conduct or be associated with the following series and events:

- The Latitude Pursuit Race from Blairgowrie
- The Cock of the Bay, a Boxing Day passage race from Port Melbourne to Blairgowrie, conducted by the ORCV in association with the Royal Yacht Club of Victoria and the Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron.
- The King of the Derwent conducted by the Derwent Sailing Squadron and sailed on the Derwent River on 2nd January each year.
- The MYC Top of the Island Race conducted by Mersey Yacht Club on 30th December each year
- The Sovereign Series consisting of the Cock of the Bay, the Melbourne to Hobart Westcoaster and the DSS King of the Derwent.
- The Bass Strait Series consisting of the Cock of the Bay, the Rudder Cup and the MYC Top of the Island Race.
- The ORCV Double-Handed Race in May each year, a two handed, "around the sticks" race conducted by the ORCV in Port Phillip over 25 nautical miles.
- ORCV Winter Series, a series of Bay races sailed during Winter on Port Phillip around laid and fixed marks including the Melbourne to Geelong Race and Melbourne to Blairgowrie. Commencing in July, this series has been conducted annually by ORCV since 1971. The race format changed in 2018 which showed the popularity and larger fleets return in 2019.
- Melbourne to Geelong Race (as part of the Winter Series)
- ORCV Ocean Girls Program: Women Skippers & Navigators Race from Blairgowrie to Melbourne. Run in conjunction with the Yachting Victoria Women and Girls in Sailing Committee (WGSIC), this race is run as a return race from Geelong following the final races of the ORCV Winter and Winter Cruiser Series, the Melbourne to Geelong Race. 3 Ocean Racing Club of Victoria Inc
- ORCV Novice Skipper: Novice Skipper and Navigator Race from Geelong to Melbourne. Run as a return race from Geelong following the final races of the ORCV Winter passage to Geelong.



# GENERAL COMMITTEE

The ORCV is overseen by a member elected General Committee. It is made up of ORCV members who are also typically members of other major Victorian yacht clubs. The flag officers, officers and general committee members are all experienced sailors with many ocean racing miles under their collective belt. The club is run by ocean racers for ocean racers, everything we do is for members and participants, both skippers and crew.

Our constitution defines the committee, made up of:

- (Officer) Commodore – chair of Committee, deciding vote if tied
- (Officer) Vice Commodore
- (Officer) Rear Commodore
- (Officer) Treasurer
- (Officer) Secretary
- 5 General Committee Members

## Committee Members



Martin Vaughan  
**Commodore**



Nick McGuigan  
**Vice Commodore**



Justin Brennan  
**Rear Commodore**



Matt Fahey  
**Secretary**



Simon Dryden  
**Treasurer**



Neville Rose  
**Immediate Past  
Commodore**



Ryan Blackstock  
**Committee**



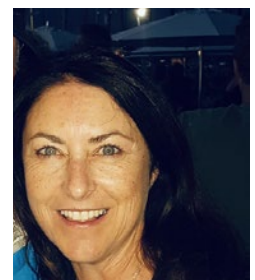
Jill Blunsom  
**Committee**



Tim Boucaut  
**Committee**



John Blunsom  
**Committee**



Helen McRae  
**Committee**

## SUBCOMMITTEES AND VOLUNTEERS

The business of the Club is undertaken through a series of Subcommittees staffed by various General Committee members and many other volunteers. This includes Information and Technology, Sailing, Training, Marketing, Beyond the Bay, SSSC, Offshore Instructors, Radio Operations, Race Directors and Assistants, Training Instructors, Safety Auditors, Incident Responders and History. Without these people the club could not function and they deserve acknowledgement.

Terry Barridge  
Malcolm Barnett  
Ken Batt  
Ryan Blackstone  
Tim Boucaut  
Robert Bradley  
Lynda Brayton  
Justin Brenan  
Robyn Brooke  
Paul Bunn  
Neil Butler  
Gaby Carr  
Marissa Chalkley  
Bruno Cocozza  
Rosie Colahan  
Michael Coultar  
Ian Court  
Mark Cull  
Rob Date  
Jane Denehy  
John Donati  
Edel Doyle  
Simon Dryden

Delma Dunoon  
Grant Dunoon  
Matt Fahey  
Donna Foley  
Tim Fowler  
Donald Fraser  
Hugh Halliburton  
Rik Head  
David Hewison  
Robin Hewitt  
Val Hewitt  
David James  
Carolyn Jewell  
Mary Kay  
Andrew King  
Bill Marchbank  
Noel May  
Brian McDermott  
Nick McGuigan  
Jennifer McGuigan  
Aneeka McNamara  
Helen McRae  
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Bruce Reidy  
Andrew Roberts  
Neville Rose  
Annie Schaefer  
George Shaw  
Ray Shaw  
Brian Slater  
Rod Smallman  
Ashley Stevens  
Robert Tanner  
David Taylor  
Martin Vaughan  
Michelle Wale  
Roger Wale  
Jeremy Walton  
Peter Watt  
John Weatherley  
Glynne Williams  
Sally Williams  
Lynne Wilton

# ADMINISTRATION

The club maintains a permanent office in Albert Park in a beautiful lakeside location. We share our office with Australian Sailing, so it's a busy and collaborative space to work.

We employ permanent staff who organise and administer the ocean races, training events and other club activities each year. The staff work flexible work hours, not necessarily 9 to 5.

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## Staff

We now welcome Vanessa Yates to the ORCV family in a dedicated role as sailing administrator and office manager

Vanessa is supported by a second part time staff member. Jen Benson who continues her dedicated role focusing on training and race support. Please contact Vanessa for all enquiries related to racing, training, membership and other club activities.

### Vanessa Yates

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Office Manager*

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Our long time administrator Irmantas Domarkas has made a decision to move on and I am sure all of the ORCV racing community will all thank him for his dedication and efforts to help with the clubs operations over many years.

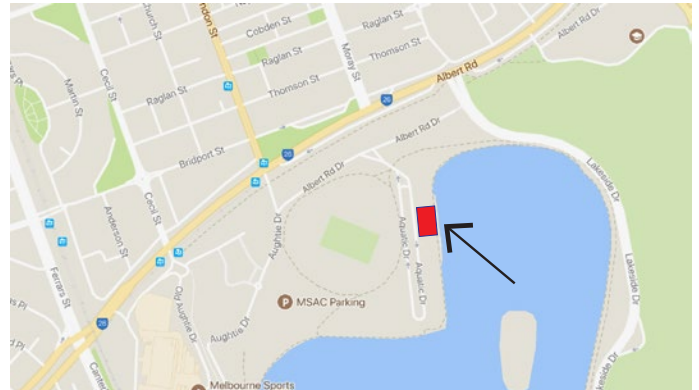
## Information Sources

The club runs a web site for news, announcements, race information, results and so on. Members and other interested parties should consult this on a regular basis.

Web Address: [www.orcv.org.au](http://www.orcv.org.au)

In addition, the ORCV have an official Facebook page which is a popular place to find out what is going on and to discuss it with other members and friends.

For all inquiries for information not covered by the web site and this year book, contact the office by email or phone.



## ORCV Intellectual Property

After many years of operation and having conducted many sailing events, the ORCV, through its members and volunteers, has accumulated a vast wealth of knowledge, particularly as it relates to ensuring that ocean sailing remains a safe and enjoyable pastime. Much of that amassed knowledge has been documented in the materials used by the ORCV in its various training courses, operating procedures, on-line presence and indeed in the new soon to be released Knowledge Book.

Needless to say, these materials represent a valuable asset to the ORCV as we go about conducting our diverse array of activities, both on and off the water, and having access to them, either freely or at discounted rates, is a significant benefit of being an ORCV member. We strive to keep our sailing fees to a minimum in an effort to attract more participation and our ongoing training activities, while clearly critical to the achieving of the sailing mission of the ORCV, are also a key element of our overall financial viability.

In this age where information is so easily shared and disseminated, in order to look after the long term interests of the club, the ORCV finds it necessary to ensure that our valuable intellectual property is well protected. You will see a liberal use of copyright labelling on all of our materials hopefully making it clear that the materials are for the exclusive use of the ORCV and its members' private use and cannot be used or copied without the ORCV's consent. Hopefully, this will discourage anyone from improperly using our materials and so avoid the need to take any more formal actions should the need arise.

# RADIO OPERATIONS

The ORCV manages radio communications between the Race Director, his or her delegated assistants and the racing fleets through a set of shore based and mobile radio facilities operating on HF frequencies and VHF channels.

## Stations

Radio communications use the following radio stations:

- Kordia (*Charleville Radio*)

The ORCV's HF radio service is run by Kordia and operates with the call sign Charleville Radio. For all Category 2 races this coming season, the ORCV will be using Kordia (Charleville Radio) to run its race communications. Kordia is the company that operates the national HF radio service through the Charleville (QLD) and Wiluna (WA) transmitters. They are based in Canberra alongside AMSA.

Kordia will be using the Charleville (WMC) station so the frequencies required will in addition to the HF 4483 kHz used in past years when radio communications were run from Melbourne.

The frequencies for the various races will be chosen from the following:

HF 4483 kHz

HF 6218 kHz

HF 8210 kHz

HF 12305 kHz

The three new frequencies are already registered international frequencies, but they are used in duplex mode where different frequencies are used for both transmit and receive. However, Kordia uses them in simplex mode where the same frequency is used both to transmit and receive, competitors are reminded to check their radios to ensure they support simplex mode on those frequencies.

You may find these frequencies already programmed into your radio but most likely in duplex mode. If this is so, you will have to arrange to program your HF set to operate at these frequencies in simplex mode or else you will not be able to communicate with Kordia.

Kordia's phone number, often used for pre-race radio checks, is +61 2 6279 5774

- ORCV Van (*Ocean Racing*)

The ORCV has a mobile radio facility in the ORCV Van, which appears on many race finish lines. This operates with the call sign Ocean Racing. It has MF/HF and VHF radios but has less power at its disposal and so a slightly shorter range.

- Smithton Radio

Radio operations are greatly assisted by other radio stations operating in and around Bass Strait, notably Mary Kay of Smithton Radio.

## Satellite Phones

Whilst HF radio is ORCV's preferred communications mode, for Cat 2 races satellite phones are recognised by the ORCV as an acceptable race communication alternative in Cat 2 races for yachts which are not equipped with HF radios.

This is subject to dispensations granted by Australian Sailing and requirements listed in the Notice of Race (NoR). Satellite phones used for races must be able to send and receive text messages and must be monitored continually during a race. They must also have the ORCV Race Director phone number +61 418 396605 pre-programmed in the contacts.



# MEMBERSHIP

Membership to the ORCV is highly valued, as well as benefits provided through Australian Sailing club membership (insurance etc), discounts on ORCV Training and racing, ORCV members have a clear vote on how the club should be run. Membership is governed by the club constitution, available from the Governance page on the Club menu.

New Member application is done online, however an application must be supported (through signatures) of two existing club members who propose and second the application. A nomination fee is required as detailed below, membership is not complete until payment is made and the committee has approved the application.

## Australian Sailing Club Affiliation

The ORCV is affiliated with Australian Sailing and represents its members at these state and national governing bodies when the member joins the ORCV

If the ORCV is your only or primary club, please note this on your application form or advise the ORCV who your primary club is.

## Schedule of Fees

Full Member . . . . .	.\$250
Youth Member . . . . .	.\$125
Outport <sup>†</sup> Member . . . . .	.\$135
Nomination Fee (New Members). . . . .	\$30

All fees are inclusive of GST.

<sup>†</sup> Principal residence 80 km from the Melbourne GPO.

## Membership Benefits

With ORCV membership come a range of benefits:

- Discounted or no ORCV crew fees charged for ocean races, depending on the race
- Participation in specific mentoring and skills development activities
- Annual ORCV year book
- Invitations to ORCV events and functions
- Receive a discount on all ORCV race entries
- Receive a discount on all ORCV training courses (e.g. Safety and Sea Survival, Radio, Meteorology, Rip Tour, etc)
- Receive discounts at selected marine product and service suppliers
- A vote on important ORCV decisions such as Committee appointment

An often-overlooked benefit is the continued existence of the ORCV and a rich ocean racing program as a result. Your fees at work!

## Mentoring

If you are in a position to mentor other ORCV members in aspects of ocean racing or would like support from a mentor or in any way participate in the "Latitude" offshore sailing and development program, check the appropriate boxes on the membership form or contact the office.

## Temporary Membership

ORCV offers a temporary membership for events. Fees are \$20.00 for Bay races and \$60.00 plus race crew fee for Ocean races.

# VOLUNTEERS

The ORCV relies on volunteers to support its objectives and operations. We rely on the support of volunteers to run a successful sailing and training program for our members and participants.

In February 2016, the General Committee agreed to appoint a Volunteer Subcommittee to help formalise a policy that encapsulates the spirit of volunteering, provides training where required for activities, an opportunity for feedback and ensures we meet the expectations of our volunteers. The committee has worked hard developing a database of volunteers and their skills, defining roles to be completed and establishing training and support for volunteers.

## Policy

- The ORCV is committed to operations provided by a skilled, enthusiastic and experienced group of volunteers.
- The ORCV actively encourage volunteers to enter the organisation and develop skills supported by a range of formal training, buddying and mentoring.
- The ORCV is committed to continuous improvement in its volunteer group through regular feedback and formal and informal assessment and communication.
- The ORCV views the volunteer group as a critical element of its success and will do everything in its power to provide and support growth opportunities to allow real participation in a supportive and respectful environment.
- The ORCV's Committee and Flag Officers are all volunteers, they lead by example. By encouraging a strong volunteer culture, setting standards in the application of policy and procedures along with providing tangible support such as mentoring and recognition.

## Areas

There are many areas within the scope of ORCV's operations that benefit from volunteers and some that could not be attempted without them, areas such as:



- Committee and Flag officers
- Race Directors and Race Management team
- Incident Management team
- Training presenters and assistants
- Mentors
- Safety Equipment Audits
- Trophies
- Back office assistance, e.g. History collation
- Social events

## Volunteering

Volunteering is easy. Just give us a call on 03 9689 1622 or send an email to [volunteer@orcv.org.au](mailto:volunteer@orcv.org.au), letting us know your interests, any skills that may be useful and your availability. We can then discuss the range of opportunities available and how you could fit in.

We would love to see volunteers assist with two activities per calendar year, so we can spread the workload.

Check out the ORCV calendar in this publication or on the website ([www.orcv.org.au](http://www.orcv.org.au)) for planned activities. New volunteers are provided with a buddy for activities, training materials and general information regarding day, date, time, venue, what to bring and what help is required. It is a great way to meet people involved in Ocean Racing activities, make friends, share knowledge and feel rewarded for your input.

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# ORCV SPECIAL REGULATIONS

ORCV races are conducted within the regulatory framework prescribed by World Sailing (WS) and Australian Sailing (AS), including the Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 1 and the Rating Authorities as amended by the ORCV in Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions. Most of the ORCV amendments are common to all of our offshore races and are described in the ORCV Special Regulations below.

## General Provisions of the ORCV Special Regulations

Nothing in the WS, AS or ORCV Special Regulations negates the need to adhere to relevant Government Maritime regulations or the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (Colregs).

Any variation of World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the Prescriptions and Special Regulations of Australian Sailing contained in an ORCV Notice of Race shall apply only to those details specifically identified therein, and in every other respect the WS Rules and AS prescriptions hold good and shall be observed. ORCV offshore races are defined as events which are conducted in full or in part outside Port Phillip.

## Specific Clauses of the ORCV Special Regulations for Offshore Races

### 1. Changes to Category 2 Special Regulations

Yachts equipped with HF radio shall use that equipment for the sign-on and all position schedules. Yachts not having an HF radio may apply to ORCV for approval to use a satellite phone in lieu of HF radio. Any such approvals will be subject to the following conditions:

- Satellite phones must be powered up and monitored at all times while racing;
- Demonstrated speed dialling capability.
- Demonstrated ability to send and receive text messages and to receive weather warnings;
- The satellite phone must be rechargeable during racing and attached to the yacht; and;
- The yacht must also be equipped with a fully functional DSC VHF radio with the yacht's own MMSI number configured and a GPS receiver connected for position information.

### 2. Changes to IRC Rules

IRC Rule 21.1.5(e): A spare mainsail may be carried as a bona fide replacement for a mainsail damaged during the race.

IRC Rule 11.2: In accordance with a prescription by Australian Sailing, a yacht in the IRC Handicap Category may carry one more spinnaker than shown on the yacht's IRC Certificate without an increase of rating

### 3. Changes to Racing Rules of Sailing

- Use of External Data

RRS 41: While racing, a boat may retrieve data from any website even if that page is not freely available to all competitors.

- Asymmetrical Spinnakers

RRS 50.2 and 50.3: Fixed and retractable spinnaker poles and bowsprits will be permitted for the purpose of setting asymmetrical spinnakers.

RRS 51: A yacht with movable ballast or variable ballast (within the meaning of those terms in the Special Regulations) may move that ballast for the purpose of changing trim or stability to the extent permitted by their stability rating.

- Stored Power and self steering

RRS 52: The rule shall be modified:

- to allow self-steering equipment to be used by yachts sailing in the Double-Handed division and in the Unrestricted Monohull Division with a maximum of four (4) persons on board;
- to allow the adjustment of movable water ballast or canting keels on any yacht and the use of stored power to do so, and
- to allow the use of stored power for sail handling and sail trimming on any yacht.

- Rubbish disposal

RRS 55: The rule is amended to provide that discarding biodegradable bands when setting a sail shall not be considered a breach of rule 55.

- Time Limits for Protests

RRS 61.3: There is no time limit on protests by the Race Committee or the Protest Committee.

# ORCV SPECIAL REGULATIONS

- Use of Engines

RRS 42.3 5: An engine may be used for charging batteries, pumping bilges, or otherwise supply power (with the propeller disengaged) and to keep clear of commercial shipping. Use of the engines where necessary to avoid commercial shipping is appropriate but must be logged and declared at the completion of each race.

A yacht that has not yet arrived in the vicinity of the start line when the preparatory signal has been made may use her engine for the purpose of enabling her to arrive within 100 meters of the start line. A yacht availing herself of this privilege shall cease using her engine and then complete a 360° turn including one tack and one gybe before she crosses the starting line.

- Yachts Starting Late

RRS 45 : For Ocean Races, yachts may elect to start at any time up to the latest time stated in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions. Yachts intending to take this option shall respond when called at the pre-race sign on schedule and state their intentions. They shall subsequently respond to all routine schedules in accordance with the provisions of the Sailing Instructions.

- Temporary Discontinuance from Racing

RRS 42 & 45: A yacht, after starting a race, may use its engine to assist with anchoring or berthing when:

- taking shelter from extreme weather; or
- disembarking sick or injured crew who will take no further part in the race (such crew shall not be replaced); or
- attempting repairs wholly on board,

For this purpose, the engine may be used only to assist with berthing or anchoring. Crew intending to continue to race may go ashore solely for the purpose of making fast and thereafter shall immediately re-embark. No outside assistance (apart from medical assistance) shall be accepted by the boat or the crew other than as provided in RRS 41.

During any such period of discontinuance from racing, a yacht's elapsed time shall continue to accrue.

## 4. Other provisions

- An engine may be used for charging batteries, pumping bilges or for supplying power for weighing anchor. The engine may be used for keeping clear of commercial shipping in restricted waters. Such use to be logged and declared at the completion of each race.
- Boats have an obligation to keep clear of commercial shipping in Port Phillip Heads and should use their engine to do so.

- Port Phillip Heads Exclusion Zone

For Races exiting Port Phillip Heads, the Sailing Instructions typically include an exclusion Zone designed to keep yachts clear of commercial shipping channels to the extent possible. Yachts shall not enter the exclusion zone and are required, upon request, to demonstrate compliance by submission of a screen shot detailing her track past the zone on exit from Port Phillip.

- Measurer

The measurer for any race or series will be the Race Director but, in the event that none has been appointed, then the ORCV Sail Captain shall be the measurer.

- AIS

Yachts equipped with AIS transmitters shall operate that equipment displaying the name of the boat at all times when racing.



# ONLINE ENTRY

Entry to ORCV races is done online on the ORCV website ([www.orcv.org.au](http://www.orcv.org.au)) through the Top Yacht Entry System (TES). This section gives some background and guidance on the process of entering a yacht in an ORCV race event. Instructions can be found on the ORCV website

## Basic Concepts

Entry to an ocean race organized by the ORCV involves selecting the race, entering the yacht in the selected race and paying the appropriate entry fees. Once a yacht's details exist in TopYacht, they need not be entered again for subsequent races. Ocean races require additional information for safety reasons, boat certification and crew details such as next of kin. These details can be uploaded as documents or filled out in the appropriate field.

The TES system is designed to support the collection of this information. For a full and complete entry for an ocean race, the following things are required:

- **Each yacht** must have a fully completed profile describing the yacht and any relevant features. In addition, a crew list must be submitted containing a list of each crew member on board during the race.
- **Each crew member** must have a fully completed crew profile describing them, their contact details and their next of kin and their contact details in case of emergencies.

As a matter of common practice;

- The yacht profile is established and maintained by the boat owner.
- Crew information is established and maintained by the relevant sailor
- Sailors are invited to join boats crew by the skipper or boat owner. A sailor can chose to be a member of more than one crew
- When entering a race skippers nominate the crew for that event from their established "crew list".

TES supports the creation and maintenance of these yacht and crew profiles and connecting them into crew lists for particular races. Entries also require the submission of supporting documents to verify or support eligibility. TES supports the uploading of electronic copies of these documents for use in the race being entered, and for subsequent races.

TES is entered by selecting the ORCV Online Entry link on the ORCV web site. This is usually found in the page menu bar and can be selected anywhere it is located, especially the home page or individual race pages. Selecting the link results in the TES Initial Menu page being displayed, as shown in Figure 1: *TopYacht Initial Menu*.

## Crew Profile

Any and all prospective ocean racing crew members must have a Crew Profile set up and fully completed in TES. On the TES Initial Menu (see Figure 1), locate and click the MY self (black head icon) menu item.

You will be asked to log on with the panel shown in Figure 2: TES MY self Log In. At this point, if you are new to the TES system and have never had a profile before, type your email address, the one you want to identify with this profile, and click Register. Otherwise if you are already registered, type the email address already associated with your profile, your profile password and click Log In.

When registering, an empty form is displayed to create a new profile. Otherwise, the existing profile data is displayed so it can be modified. Either way, the process for creating or updating and then saving the profile is identical.



Figure 1: TopYacht Initial Menu

**MY Self - log in**

Email address:

OR if you don't have an email address, provide your name below. (Email is better!)

First Initial:  Last Name:

Password:  ☐ Show password

**Forgotten Password?**

- step 1: Type your email address above.

- step 2: THEN press button below.

**Not registered as a sailor in TopYacht yet?**

- step 1: Type your email address (or first initial and last name) above.

- step 2: Type in a password for yourself above.

- step 3: THEN press button below.

**Figure 2: TES MY self Log In**

When the form is first displayed, the basic Club Racing details are shown. For Ocean Racing, click the Show Offshore Racing button at the bottom of the page. The following sections are displayed:

- Sailor Basics - Name, phone and email address, emergency contact details.
- Contact Details - Address, phone and Skype details
- Offshore items - Gender, year of birth, height, weight, jack- et colour, short size, glove size and medical information
- Next of Kin - Name, address and phone details
- Qualifications - Radio, First Aid and SSSC details
- Recent Experience - Race experience details
- PLB Details for privately owned PLBs

At the bottom of the form is a list of races for which you have been invited as crew. For those with hired or loaned PLBs, once the PLB brand and Hex ID are known, they should be entered here against the race concerned.

Make sure you complete the form as accurately as possible. All of it is used in some aspect of race management. When done, click the Save Changes button at the bottom of the page. You can now be invited to join a crew for an ocean race.

## Race Entry

A Yacht Profile can only be created while entering a race. Once created, the profile can be update and kept up to date using the My TopYacht (red sailboat icon) menu item. However, mostly you will work with the race entry procedure so we will focus on that first.

From the TES initial menu (see Figure 1), for most ocean races select Enter Series / Multi Series Entry. This will show a page similar to the example in Figure 3: Select Race for Entry. Select the race or series by clicking on

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**Enter Series / Update Entry / Add Crew**

**STEP 1: Select Series**

Races can be entered as part of a Series or Individually.  
The # numbers indicates the Series to which each Race belongs.

SERIES NAME	Series 1	Series 2
<input type="radio"/> Latitude Series	#1	
<input type="radio"/> Latitude Series - Multihull		#2
<b>Melbourne to Stanley Yacht Race</b>		
<b>--- Beyond the Bay &amp; Latitude Series ---</b>		
<input type="radio"/> Beyond the Bay Overnight Event		
<input type="radio"/> Latitude Ocean Race	#1	
<input type="radio"/> Latitude Pursuit (BYS to SYC) Race	#1	
<input type="radio"/> Latitude Ocean Race - Multihull		#2
<input type="radio"/> Latitude Pursuit (BYS to SYC) Race - Multihull		#2
<b>--- Melbourne to Hobart ---</b>		
<input type="radio"/> Hobart Westcoast Race(Sovereign Series)		
<input type="radio"/> Hobart Eastcoast Race(Salamanca Series)		
<b>--- Melbourne to Devonport Yacht Race ---</b>		
<input type="radio"/> Melbourne to Devonport Yacht Race (Bass Straight Series)		
<input type="radio"/> Melbourne to Devonport Yacht Race - Multihull		
<input type="radio"/> Melbourne to Devonport Yacht Race - Cruising		
<b>--- Cock of the Bay Race ---</b>		
<input type="radio"/> Cock of the Bay Race		
<input type="radio"/> Cock of the Bay - Sportsboats		
<input type="radio"/> Cock of the Bay - Cruising		
<input type="radio"/> Cock of the Bay - Multihulls		
<input type="radio"/> Cock of the Bay - Trailerable yachts		
<input type="radio"/> Beyond the Bay - ORCV DEMO		

**STEP 2: Select an Option**

**ENTRY OPTIONS**

☐ Enter boat already in [TopYacht Boat Register](#)

☐ Update existing entry details in selected Series

☐ Enter boat **NOT** in [TopYacht Boat Register](#)

**STEP 3: Press Submit**

[Click Here](#) to change Owner/Main Contact or Email Address for existing boat.  
[Click Here](#) For assistance: contact the event organisers.

**Below links to help manage your boat/crew and your own details.**

[Click here for Questions & Answers](#)

**Figure 3: Select Race for Entry**

one of the radio buttons in the list, then select an entry option as follows:

1. **Enter boat already in TopYacht Boat Register:** Your yacht already has a Yacht Profile in the TES database and you want to enter it in a new race. Use this to enter an existing yacht, one with a TES profile, in a new race.
2. **Update existing entry details in selected Series:** You have already entered your yacht in a race and you want to update the entry details. Use this to add additional details, correct previously submitted details, update your race documents and add or delete people from your crew.
3. **Enter boat NOT in TopYacht Boat Register:** Your yacht does not have a Yacht Profile in the TES system. Use this to create a new TES profile for your yacht and to enter the yacht in a new race.

When selected, press *Submit* to submit the page and proceed to the next step. For options 1 & 2 above, you will then be prompted to logon by specifying your yacht's sail number and the profile password as shown in *Figure 4: Race Entry Log In*. Enter these and click *Log In* to display the Entry/Yacht Profile. For

## Enter Series with existing boat ...

- Either the `normal point of contact` /owner OR boat rep can log in.
- To check boats/contacts in database click link [TopYacht Boat Register](#)

Primary Sail No: Personal password/PIN No: 

- Forgotten password/PIN?**
- Change Owner/Contact OR update registered Email address**
- Problems logging in? [Please contact event organiser.]**

Figure 4: Race Entry Log In

option 3, a empty Entry/Yacht Profile is displayed with blank fields ready to complete a new Race Entry and Yacht Profile.

The Race Entry/Yacht Profile has six tabs across the top. The Entry Details tab must be completed before any of the other tabs can be used. The following sections are present in the Entry Details form and must be completed fully and accurately:

- Boat - basic boat details such as name, sail number etc.
- Boat Specs - some basic measurement details such as LOA, draft, rig type, displacement etc.
- Entry Categories - the handicap categories to enter such as PHS, AMS, IRC, DHD and Multihull

- Primary Contact - name, password, AS number, address, email, phone etc.
- Race Fees - what and how you will be paying
- Crew Totals - how many and if final
- Other Items - Media information and permissions, comments for organisers
- Acceptance of Terms and Conditions

When complete, click the *Submit* button at the bottom of the page. If anything needs fixing, the page will be redisplayed with messages indicating what has to be fixed. Correct these and try again. When completed successfully, a confirmation screen will be displayed as shown in *Figure 5: TES Entry Confirmation*. For those paying online, should click the Credit Card Payment link to pay the race fees.

The other tabs listed above are now available for use. These are as follows:

- Entry Detail - return to the entry information and modify it
- Crew List - recruit and manage crew (see *Crew List* section)
- Boat Details - update yacht profile details
- Boat Docs - lodge a variety of boat documents (see *Documentation* section)
- Race Docs - select documents to be used for a particular race (see *Documentation* section)
- Race Dates - uncertain use cases

**MAGAZAN 53 B353 Nicholas McGuigan** entry 66071

**TopYacht Boat ID: 341** [Log out](#)

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**ENTRY SUMMARY for Entry ID = 66071**

Entry Type : Series Entrant  
 Series Name : Melbourne to Stanley Yacht Race  
 Boat Name : MAGAZAN 53  
 Sail Number : B353  
 Contact : Nicholas McGuigan  
 Password / PIN :   
 Contact: [View Contact Info](#)

Details updated on 01/10/2015 12:51.

Your boat is now stored in the TopYacht Boat Register.  
 Please do NOT recreate this boat for other Series/Events.

To update/alter THIS entry use the 'update' option on the entry page.  
 To enter OTHER Series/Events use the 'enter existing boat' option on the entry page.

**FEES Check Entry and Payment amount**

\$441.50 - Early Bird Fee - Member

**No payment received as yet!**

Your nominated Payment option  
 - Via Master Card Or Visa card.  
 - To pay via a secure Internet Gateway, please press the button below.

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT via secure gateway

REFUND POLICY

PRIVACY STATEMENT

**PRINT this Form now!**

Print a copy for your records. [Print This Form](#)

**RETURN to Previous Page** [Click here](#)

Figure 5: TES Entry Confirmation

TopYacht Boat Registry				
Show <b>20</b> entries	Search: <b>Magazan 53</b>			
Boat Name	Sail No	Contact	Archived	Select
MAGAZAN 53	B353	Nicholas McGuigan		<a href="#">GO</a>
Showing 1 to 1 of 1 entries (filtered from 6,728 total entries)				<a href="#">Previous</a> <a href="#">Next</a>
<a href="#">Close Page</a>				

**Figure 6: Locate TES Yacht Profile**

## Yacht Profile

A Yacht Profile can be only be created when actually entering a race. This procedure has been described previously in the Race Entry section. However, once created, yacht profiles can be updated and maintained using the My TopYacht (red sailboat icon) menu item on the TES entry menu (see Figure 1: TopYacht Initial Menu on page 12).

The profile details and how they are specified are identical with either method. The My TopYacht process is described here and the race entry process has been described previously under the Race Entry section.

On the TES initial menu, locate and select the My TopYacht (red sailboat icon) menu item. This will bring up a list of boats registered in the TES system. Your yacht must be already registered to be in this list. If it isn't go to the Race Entry section for details on how to enter a race and create a profile for your yacht.

Continuing with the process, locate your yacht by typing the yacht name in the Search field at the top right as shown in Figure 6: Locate TES Yacht Profile. When the yacht name is displayed, click the Go link under Select to display a summary of the yacht details. Click the Log In button at the bottom of the page to display the yacht profile log in page (see Figure 4: Race Entry Log In on page 14).

Once logged in, the Yacht Profile is displayed. This is very similar to that encountered when entering a race. However, there is no race entry details tab. Instead a Message Board tab is displayed. In addition, in the Crew List and Race Docs tabs, a pull-down list enables you to select the race with which you wish to work

MAGAZAN 53    B353    Nicholas McGuigan		entid:66071
<b>TopYacht Boat ID: 341</b> <a href="#">Log out</a>		
Entry Detail	Crew List	<a href="#">Boat Details</a> <a href="#">Boat Docs</a> <a href="#">Race Docs</a> <a href="#">Race Dates</a>
<b>Offshore Race Crew</b>		
<a href="#">Add existing Boat Crew to M2Stanley15 [2015]</a>		
<a href="#">Invite crew (already in TopYacht) to join your Boat Crew</a>		
<a href="#">Create NEW sailor in TopYacht and add to M2Stanley15 [2015]</a>		
<a href="#">Edit Crew data for M2Stanley15 [2015]</a>		
<a href="#">Print Crew Summary for M2Stanley15 [2015]</a>		

**Figure 7: Crew List Options**



**Figure 8: Crew Search Options**

## Crew List

Crew lists for races are assembled and managed through the Crew List tab on the Race Entry/Yacht Profile form. Crews are assembled on a per race basis. For each new race, you will have to specify a new crew list.

TES remembers all crew members you have raced with before in a TES managed race. This means if you have sailed with someone before, you just need to select them from the list shown under the Crew List tab and they will be added to your crew for the race.

For crew you haven't used before, there are mechanisms to invite them, if they are already registered with TES, or create and invite them, if they don't have a TES profile.

Figure 7: Crew List Options shows the options available for working with crew lists. To see the list and select an option, hover your mouse over the Offshore Race Crew button to see the option list and then click on the required option button. The available options are:

- Add Existing Boat Crew - Brings up a list of past crew members. Select crew members from this list to add them to the crew for the race concerned.
- Invite crew (already in TopYacht) to join your Boat Crew - Use this option to invite a sailor already in TES to join your crew for the race concerned. Invitations may be sent by SMS (Australian mobile numbers only) or email. For these to work, the crew profile must contain a mobile number or a working email address. If you are having problems, contact the affected crew members and have them update their profile appropriately.

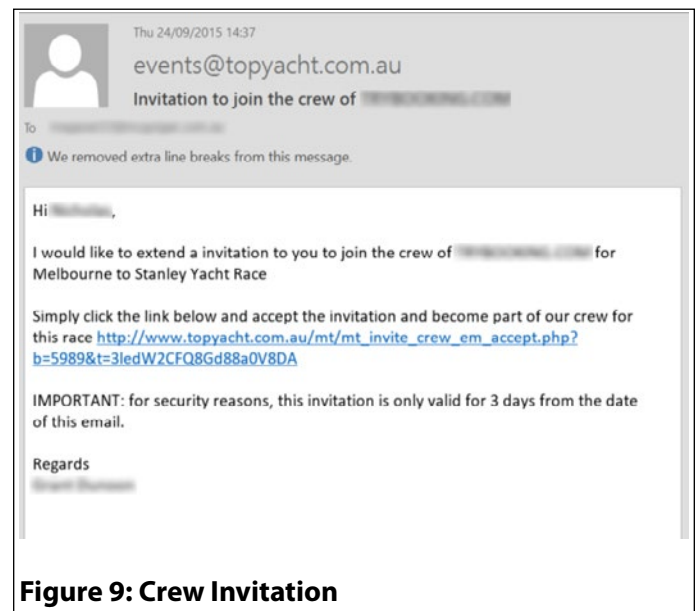
After selecting this option and specifying whether to use email or SMS, a search panel is displayed as shown in *Figure 8: Crew Search Options*. Enter the appropriate values and click *Search*. One or more names will be returned. Click the SMS or email button against the one you were looking for and an invitation will be sent to them. A typical email invitation is shown in *Figure 9: Crew Invitation*. The prospective crew member clicks the given link to accept the invitation and is added to the crew list.

- Create a NEW sailor in TopYacht

Enables you to create a new Crew Profile in TES for a prospective crew member. This is not recommended as it can often lead to duplicate profiles which leads to all sorts of problems. Encourage the sailor to create their own profile and use this option as a last resort.

- Edit crew data

Enables you to edit the profiles for each crew member on your crew list. This is to enable you to perform last minute data quality checks and corrections if required.



**Figure 9: Crew Invitation**

# Series



The races run by the ORCV are usually grouped into series with trophies awarded for the overall winners of the series as well as the individual events.

This part of the Year Book is a directory of all the series the ORCV conducts during the year. These series are:

<i>Offshore Championship</i> . . . . .	19
<i>Double Handed Championship</i> . . . . .	20
<i>Coastal Championship</i> . . . . .	21
<i>Sovereign Series</i> . . . . .	22
<i>Bass Strait Series</i> . . . . .	23
<i>Latitude Series</i> . . . . .	24
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# OFFSHORE CHAMPIONSHIP

## OFFSHORE SERIES

ORCV OCEAN RACING

The Offshore Championship and the Perry Fletcher Clipper Trophy is awarded to the skipper of the best performed yacht based on points awarded in its best 4 ORCV offshore Races including at least 3 Category 1 or Category 2 events.

Points are awarded for each race using IRC and AMS measurement handicap results from the Unrestricted Monohull Division. This Division includes double handed and 4 handed crews, who are permitted to use autohelms, as well as fully crewed boats, thus broadening the competition.

The scoring system has evolved in recent years to address the diversity of ORCV races in terms of fleet size and the degree of difficulty. A modified high point scoring system is used to recognise "the number of competitors beaten" in fleets (which may vary from 5 to 30 yachts) and weights are applied to individual race scores based on the Committee's assessment of the challenge presented by each event.

Race Points = (Number of starters in a Handicap Category – finishing position + 3) \* Race Weight

Race Weights applicable in 2018 – 19	are:
Melbourne - Stanley	1.0
Melbourne - Devonport	0.9
Melbourne – Hobart	1.25
Melbourne – King Island	0.9
Melbourne – Port Fairy	1.0
Melbourne – Apollo Bay	0.75

An additional award is available for the best performed double handed yacht based on a similar scoring system, as set out in the NOR.

### Winner of the Perry Fletcher Clipper Trophy

Competing in all 4 offshore events in 2018 – 19 Season, Justin Brenan and the crew of Alien won the Championship in a remarkable run of consistency with a solid set of high placing results.



Alien (R880) - Justin Brenan

### Offshore Championship Winner 2018-2019

### Offshore Champions

Season	Yacht	Owner/Skipper
2018/19	Alien	J. Brenan
2017/18	White Noise	D. Edwards
2016/17	White Noise	D. Edwards
2015/16	White Noise	D. Edwards
2014/15	Spirit of Downunder	L. Ford
2013/14	Seduction	R. Nichols
2012/13	Bandit	A. Trebilcock
2011/12	Dry White	D. Fraser
2010/11	eXtasea	P. Buchholz
2009/10	eXtasea	P. Buchholz
2008/09	eXtasea	P. Buchholz
2007/08	eXtasea	P. Buchholz
2006/07	Spirit of Downunder	L. Ford
2005/06	By Order of the Secretary	G. Shaw
2004/05	Bacardi	G. Ainley / J. Williams
2003/04	Bacardi	G. Ainley / J. Williams
2002/03	Tevake	A. Fletcher
2001/02	Tevake	A. Fletcher
2000/01	Bacardi	G. Ainley / J. Williams
	Tevake	A. Fletcher
1999/00	Back in Business	M. Sabey
1998/99	Back in Business	M. Sabey





# 38 SOUTH BOAT SALES - DOUBLE HANDED CHAMPIONSHIP

## OFFSHORE SERIES

ORCV OCEAN RACING

The ORCV has long been an active supporter of double handed sailing as part of the Bay Racing Programme, The Melbourne Osaka two handed race and in all offshore events including the Melbourne Hobart Westcoaster.

Following the decision to include two handed racing in the next Olympics, the ORCV have joint with 38 South Boat Sales to further develop double handed sailing.

In addition to the existing Double Handed Offshore Championship award, the 38 South Boats Sales Trophy will be awarded to the best performed Double Handed competitor in the new Coastal Championship series.

The traditional double handed Bay Race, conducted each year at the end of the summer season, will be retained as the final component of our two handed "offering".

## Offshore Double Handed Champions

Season	Yacht	Owner/Skipper
2018/19	Maverick	R. Smallman

## Double Handed Bay Race Winners

Season	Yacht	Owner/Skipper
2018/19	Le Cascadeur	R. Blackstock
2017/18	Maverick	R. Smallman
2016/17	Lord Jiminy	J. Christensen



Maverick - Rod Smallman

**Offshore Double Handed Champion 2018/19**



Le Cascadeur - Ryan Blackstock

**Double Handed Bay Race 2018/19**

# THE ORCV COASTAL CHAMPIONSHIP

## OFFSHORE SERIES

### ORCV OCEAN RACING

This new Championship is awarded to the owner/skipper of the best performed yacht in the ORCV's Coastal Race Series determined using Measurement Handicap results in the Unrestricted Mono hull division.

Boats entered in this division may be fully crewed, with up to 4 crew plus autohelm or Double Handed.

The coastal Race programme consists of

- the three new West Offshore Products Coastal Sprint Series races plus
- the ORCV's traditional end of season Apollo Bay Race.

The races are designed to provide a competitive "stand alone" Category 3 offshore racing programme for 'time poor' crews skippers and for those who may not wish to make the commitment required for Category 2 offshore events.

The programme also provides a development platform for offshore crews and a development pathway for yachts wishing to progress from active Bay Racing to Category 2 Offshore Events.

Although the Apollo Bay Race typically involves a whole weekend commitment, the 3 Coastal Sprint Races start and finish in the proximity of the Port Phillip heads and are design to enable yachts to return to their home clubs early on Saturday night..... or to enjoy a relaxing evening at Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron or at Queenscliff; either in the marina or at the Queenscliff Cruising Yacht Club



carrera S (AUS49005) - Gerry Cantwell

**Apollo Bay Line Honours 2018-2019**

# SOVEREIGN SERIES

## SOVEREIGN SERIES

ORCV OCEAN RACING

The Sovereign Series, incorporating the 2019 Melbourne to Hobart “Westcoaster” Yacht race, conducted on the waters of Port Phillip, Bass Strait, the West and South coasts of Tasmania, Storm Bay and the Derwent River.

The series consists of:

- The Cock of the Bay ( P32) which is a 34 NM dash down Port Phillip Bay from Melbourne to Blairgowrie
- The 435 NM Westcoaster Blue Water classic (P33)
- The King of the Derwent race conducted on 2 January 2019 by the Derwent Sailing Squadron.

## Sovereign Series Winners

Season	Boat	Skipper
2018/19	Whistler	D.Aplin
2017/18	Magique	M. Contessi
2016/17	Cadibarra 8	P. Roberts
2015/16	Extasea	P. Buchholz
2014/15	Seduction	R. Nichols
2013/14	Tevake II	A. Fletcher
2012/13	Bandit	A. Trebilcock
2011/12	eXtasea	P. Buchholz
2010/11	Slinky Malinky	E. Marsh
2009/10	Audacious	G. Clinnick
2007/08	Archie	S. Rattle
2006/07	A Crewed Interest	E. Ragauskas/M. Vaughan
2005/06	Quetzalcoatl	J. Ey
2004/05	Tevake	A. Fletcher
2003/04	Rumbeat	G. Henderson
2002/03	Dé Ja Blue	J. Neilson
2001/02	Kontrol	P. Blake
2000/01	Tevake	A. Fletcher
1999/00	Cadibarra 7	N. Jones
1998/99	First Priority	P. Coombs
1997/98	Island Trader	J. Chatham
1996/97	Brighton Star	D. Gotze
1995/96	Misty	B. Clague
1994/95	Fast Forward	S. Kellet/I. Rushton



whistler (L77) - David Aplin

**Sovereign Series Winner 2018-2019**



# BASS STRAIT SERIES

## BASS STRAIT SERIES

ORCV OCEAN RACING

The Bass Strait Series, incorporating the Melbourne To Devonport Rudder Cup Yacht Race, is conducted on the waters of Port Phillip and Bass Strait.

- ORCV Cock of the Bay
- ORCV Melbourne to Devonport Rudder Cup
- MYC Top of the Island Race

### Bass Strait Series Winners

Season	Boat	Skipper
2018/19	Merlion	E. Mackevicius
2017/18	White Noise	D. Edwards
2016/17	Summer Wind	P. & A. Woodman
2015/16	Merlion	E. Mackevicius
2014/15	Wicked	M. & M. Welsh
2013/14	Jake	S. Lyon
2012/13	No Fearr	K. Robinson
2011/12	Merlion	E. Mackevicius
2010/11	Ninety Seven	A. Saunders
2009/10	Hush	P. Chalkley/M. McManus
2008/09	The Secretary	G. Shaw
2007/08	eXtasea	P. Buchholz
2006/07	Shogun	R Hanna
2005/06	Ruthless	J. Geist
2004/05	Appollonius	J. Robinson
2003/04	Cadibarra	N. Jones
2002/03	Bayside Star	R.Thurston
2001/02	Ruthless	J. Geist
2000/01	Ruthless	J. Geist
1999/00	Déja Blue	J. Neilson
1998/99	Ruthless	J. Geist
1997/98	Frequent Flyer	C. Nicoll
1996/97	Joanne	S. Robinson
1995/96	Shenandoah II	R.White
1994/95	Allegro	B. Moore



Merlion (H818) - Eddie Mackevicius

### Bass Strait Series Winner 2018-2019

**Note:** Before 2006, the historic Rudder Cup (see *page 34*) was presented to the overall winner of the then Rudder Cup Series, now the Bass Strait Series. Following a review of the Deed of Gift in 2006, the Rudder Cup is now presented to the winner of the race across Bass Strait after Christmas.

# LATITUDE SERIES

## LATITUDE SERIES

### ORCV OCEAN TRAINING

The Latitude Series is an innovative series of on-water activities to help those new to ocean sailing get started. It also provides a vehicle for established ocean sailors to develop crew members into positions of responsibility in an ocean racing team. In the years the ORCV's Beyond the Bay program is run, the series forms part of the on-water component of the program.

The Latitude Series provides a set of tactical and navigational challenges for ocean sailors of all levels coupled with a competitor support program and mentoring support for ocean sailing beginners. The ORCV ocean sailing calendar also has a well-designed range of short, medium and long-distance ocean races for competitors to continue their progression.

The Latitude Series of races further enhances the racing calendar and is also a last chance for yachts and crews to get some ocean miles under their belt before the Devonport and Hobart races at the end of the year.

The competitor support program includes advice from our experienced team on making the transition from Bay sailing and racing to ocean racing on:

- Safety Requirements
- Yacht Preparation
- Crew Management
- Ocean Racing Evolution

Mentoring is available from experienced ocean sailors, both off and on the water and pre, during and post race.

- Latitude Ocean Race Saturday, 23 November 2018.
- Latitude Pursuit Race Sunday, 24 November 2018.



Arcadia (S17) - Steven Thompson

### Latitude Series Winner 2018-2019

### Latitude Series Winners

Season	Boat	Skipper
2018/19	Arcadia	S. Thompson
2017/18	Under Capricorn	B. Carreto
2016/17	Algy Rose	N. Rose
2015/16	Algy Rose	N. Rose
2014/15	Summer Wind	Angela Woodman
2013/14	Addiction	J. Pfeiffer
2012/13	Algy Rose	N. Rose
2011/12	Yoko	R. Hewitt
2010/11	Chikara Outlaw	J. Norbury & B. Trueman
2009/10	Remedy	B. Hibbert
2008/09	The Secretary	G. Shaw



# WINTER SERIES

## WINTER SERIES

### ORCV BAY RACE

The Lord Warden's Trophy is presented to the winner of the Winter Series which consists of two medium distance races around fixed marks at the top end of Port Phillip Bay, and two longer distance passage races to popular destinations for warm hospitality from host clubs, at Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron (BYS) and Royal Geelong Yacht Club (RGYC).

Winter Series has a variety of divisions offered for all events throughout the series:

- Traditional monohull racing divisions (IRC,AMS+ PHS)
- Double-Handed Division.
- Cruising Division.
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Arcadia (S17) - Peter Davidson

### Lord Warden's Trophy Winner 2019

## Lord Warden's Trophy Winners

Year	Boat	Skipper
2019	Arcadia	P. Davison
2018	Javelin	Mark Nicholson
2017	Serious Yahoo	J. Heywood
2016	Avalanche	H. Ellis & G. Caulfield
2015	Absolut	R. Gates
2014	More Noise	J. Close
2013	Jazz Player	A. Lawrence
2012	INSX	R. Sill
2011	INSX	R. Sill
2010	INSX	R. Sill
2009	INSX	R. Sill
2008	eXtasea	P. Buchholz
2007	Vapour Trail	S. LaPeyre/A. Dogget
2006	Vapour Trail	S. LaPeyre/A. Dogget
2005	Toecutter	R. Hick
2004	Veloce	P. Simpfendorfer
2003	Chutzpah	B. Taylor
2002	Ida	R. Ward
2001	Cadibarra	N. Jones
2000	Watershed	G. Tobin
1999	Shenandoah II	R. White
1998	Stampede	C. Gendala
1997	Shenandoah II	R. White
1996	Shenandoah II	R. White
1995	Shenandoah II	R. White
1994	Wet'n'Infamous	K. Wood



# WEST OFFSHORE PRODUCTS : COASTAL SPRINTS SERIES

## COASTAL SPRINTS

### ORCV BAY RACE

The ORCV has launched a new Cat 3 Coastal Sprint Series in support of a growing fleet, and in response to skippers wanting more Category 3 races. The three-race series starts on 23 November with a Westernport return race. Race 2 is slated for 15 February and Race 3 for 10 April. All races are approximately 50nm, starting from Queenscliff and finish at Portsea back beach. In addition, West Offshore Products has signed up to be the naming sponsor for the series.

The Series is a textbook training platform when combined with the popular Apollo Bay Race. Recognising a gap to be filled, ORCV conducted extensive research with Category 2 boat owners. A lot of these owners and their crews are on the fringes of considering Category 2 offshore races, which requires training, skill, confidence and investing in equipment.

Coastal Sprints Series has a variety of divisions offered for all events throughout the series:

- Traditional monohull racing divisions (IRC, AMS and PHS)
- Female-based Crew Division.
- Double-Handed Division.
- Cruising Division.
- Multihull Division.

# OCEAN RACER OF THE YEAR

The prestigious Ocean Racer of the Year trophy is awarded to recognise those qualities particular to ocean racing as distinct from other yachting activities.

Such qualities might include, but are not limited to, the nominee's knowledge and application to Ocean Racing of:

- Weather
- Tides
- Routing
- Boat Handling/Sea State
- Victualling
- Crew maintenance
- Sail Management

## Ocean Racer of the Year Perpetual Trophy Winners

Year	Winner
2019	Grant Dunoon
2018	Rod Smallman
2017	Justin Brenan
2016	Laurie Ford
2015	Robin Hewitt
2014	Rob Date
2013	Rik Head
2012	Paul Buchholz
2011	Phil Spry-Bailey
2010	Nicholas McGuigan
2009	Neville Rose
2008	Rosie Colahan
2007	Shane La Peyre/Albert Doggett
2006	Robyn Brooke
2005	John Williams
2004	George Shaw
2003	Peter Blake
2002	Bill Rawson



Grant Dunoon

## Ocean Racer of the Year 2019





# Events



This part of the Year Book is a directory of the ORCV's major races in the 2019-2020 season. Events are linked to the various series that the ORCV organise or to which they contribute. The events are:

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**Table 1: Race Records**

<b>Race</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Yacht</b>	<b>Time</b>
Portsea to Flinders	1996	Tevake	03h 31m 05s
Queenscliff to Hastings	2001	Cadibarra	04h 28m 29s
Queenscliff to Westernport	2006	Shogun	05h 43m 45s
Melbourne to Flinders	2007	Cougar II	05h 42m 07s
Geelong Women Skippers & Navigators	2013	Calm	04h 24m 20s
Queenscliff to Burnie	1992	Wild Thing	16h 01m 42s
Melbourne to Stanley	2002	Kontrol	14h 36m 15s
Melbourne to Portland	1978	Apollo II	20h 10m 19s
Cock of the Bay (Rye Finish)	2002	Stratcorp 97	04h 42m 22s
Cock of the Bay (Blairgowrie Finish)	2010	Gusto	04h 40m 16s
Melbourne to Hobart Westcoaster	2008	Shortwave	1d 17h 28m 59s
Melbourne to Hobart Eastcoaster (Rudder Course)	2007	eXtasea	3d 06h 39m 25s
Melbourne to Hobart Eastcoaster (Flinders Island)	2012	Goldfinger	2d 00h 08m 07s
Melbourne to Devonport	1998	Prowler	19h 32m 56s
Melbourne to Launceston	2012	Gusto	18h 55m 05s
Melbourne to King Island	2014	Primitive Cool	09h 50m 21s
Melbourne to Port Fairy	1984	Quasimodo	14h 26m 20s
Melbourne to Apollo Bay	1999	Kaos	05h 24m 04s
Melbourne to Vanuatu	2014	Alive	5d 23h 52m 45s
Vanuatu to Mackay	2006	Tevake II	5d 16h 35m 26s
Melbourne to Osaka	1995	Wild Thing	26d 20h 47m 06s



# WEST OFFSHORE PRODUCTS - COASTAL SPRINT RACES

## COASTAL SERIES

ORCV OCEAN RACING

**Ocean Race: ~50 nm (varies)**

### Race Starts:

**0400 - Saturday, 23 November 2019**

**0700 - Saturday, 15 February 2020**

**0400 - Saturday, 10 April 2020**

### Safety Category:

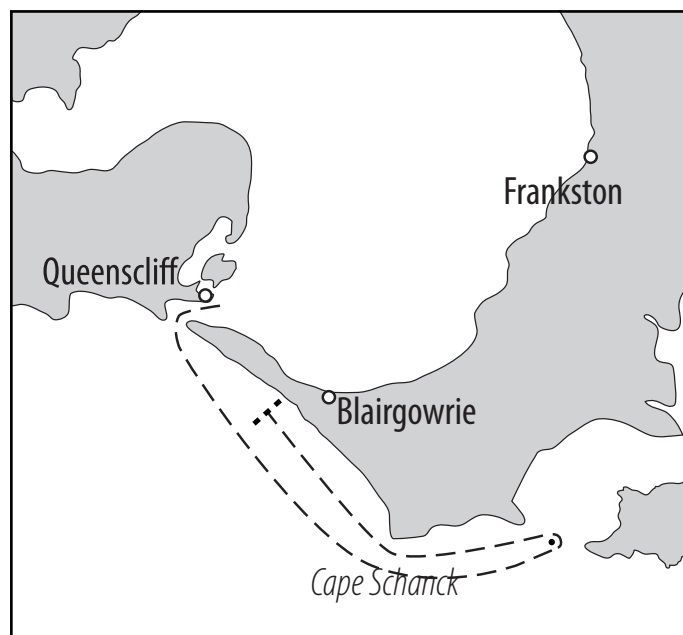
# 3

ORCV West Offshore Offshore Coastal Sprint Races is a new initiative from ORCV Sailing for 2019/20 season in response to skippers wanting more Category 3 races. The ORCV West Offshore Coastal Sprint Races have been designed as short distance ocean sprint to provide a crew development pathway for longer ocean races and as a stand-alone coastal racing programme. Each Coastal Sprint Race aims to have the skippers and crew home on Saturday evening.

The races start off Queenscliff early on a Saturday and are all approximately 50nm in duration finishing at one of several locations close, but outside the entrance to Port Phillip.

Race 1 is short coastal race starting off Queenscliff, going out of Port Phillip Heads before turning east to follow the coast towards Western Port. Yachts will race approximately 25 nm to a turning point before returning to a virtual finish line off Portsea Back Beach. Races 2&3 courses will be available on the ORCV website and via sailing instructions prior to race dates.

Future programming will include the Coastal Sprint Race 1 before commencement of summer racing, to provide a crew work up race in the lead up to Stanley and the Christmas races.



The West Offshore Coastal Sprint races are Category 3 events, avoiding the substantial equipment upgrade cost required for Category 2 races. There is no requirement for HF Radio, Satellite phones, storm sails or Life Rafts (for yachts under 12m).

Yachts are to be fitted with a VHF Transceiver with international set channels 12, 16, 73 and 82..

The Coastal Sprint Races are combined with the end of the season Apollo Bay Race to form the basis of the ORCV's Coastal Championship and Double Handed Coastal Championship awards.

# MELBOURNE TO STANLEY

## STANLEY

ORCV OCEAN RACE

**Ocean Race: 152 nm**

**Race Start:**

**Queenscliff 0000 AEDT**

**Saturday, 2 November 2019**

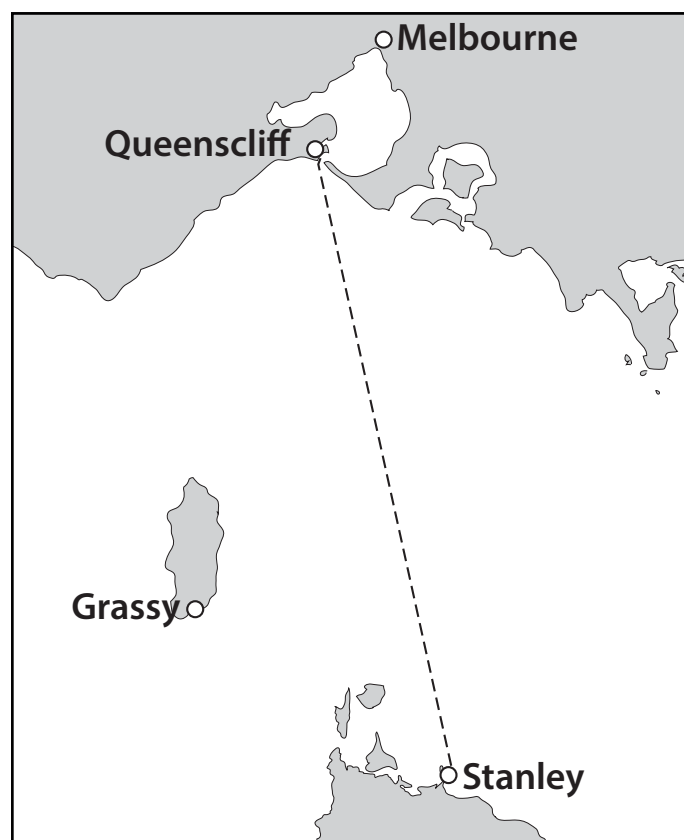
**Slack Water Ebb 0105 AEDT**

**Safety Category:**

# 2

The journey to Stanley is the traditional season-opening ocean race conducted by the ORCV. The race of 152 miles is held on the first weekend of November coinciding with the Melbourne Cup holiday.

The passage across Bass Strait finishes in the town of Stanley which is dominated by a huge basalt headland colloquially known as "The Nut". There is a safe harbour with ample berthing facilities and excellent hospitality provided by the local service clubs and community. This race is a qualifying voyage for both the Melbourne to Hobart Westcoaster and the Sydney to Hobart race conducted by the CYCA.



Race	Results	2018
Line:	Avalanche (Sm400)	Andrew Mcgrath Chris Auger
IRC:	Patriot (Sm133)	Jason Close
AMS:	Patriot (Sm133)	Jason Close
PHS:	Soiree Bleu (R34)	Douglas Lithgow
DHD:	Maverick (SM3600)	Rod Smallman

## Race Records

Race	Year	Yacht	Time
Melbourne to Stanley	2002	Kontrol	14:36:15
Melbourne to Burnie	1992	Wild Thing	16:01:42
Melbourne to Portland	1978	Apollo II	20:10:19

# LATITUDE

## LATITUDE OCEAN

ORCV OCEAN EVENT

**Ocean Race: ~8 hours duration**

**Race Start: 0400 AEDT, 23 November 2019**

**Slackwater: 11:25 Incoming**

**Safety Category: 3**

This event is the central plank of the innovative Beyond the Bay programme designed to help skippers and crews new to ocean racing get a taste of the open ocean. Each boat is allocated a latitude to which they must sail and return. Latitudes are allocated to boats based on their nominated handicap and the expectation that they will take about 8 hours to complete the course as a whole and about a tide cycle (6 hours) to return to Port Phillip Heads.

This event is part of the Latitude Series

The required safety documentation is a Crew List and a Safety Check List.

Yachts must be fitted with a VHF Transceiver with international set channels 12, 16, 67, 73 and 82.



## LATITUDE PURSUIT

ORCV BAY EVENT

**Latitude Pursuit**

**Bay Race: 30 nm**

**Race Start: 0900 AEDT, 25 November 2019**

**Safety Category: 5**

This pursuit race is run the day after the Latitude race as a fun event for yachts returning to Melbourne.

The event is sailed from Blairgowrie, where the Latitude Ocean will have finished the previous day, to Sandringham Yacht Club. This event is part of the Latitude Series (page 23).

Yachts must be fitted with a VHF Transceiver with international set channels 12, 16, 67, 73 and 82.



# COCK OF THE BAY



**Bay Race: 34 nm**

**Race Start: 1030 AEDT, 26 December 2019**

**Safety Category:**

**5**

This hugely popular 34 nautical mile race down Port Phillip is held each year on Boxing Day and, with a course designed to sail past major Bayside locations, it is popular with sailors and spectators alike.

Some say there is no better way to work off the excesses of Christmas the day before. Besides being a great classic race in its own right, the event serves as a feeder for the blue water classic Rudder Cup and Melbourne to Hobart races. It also is the first race in the Bass Strait Series and the Sovereign Series.

Berthing is provided at Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron at the conclusion of the race where meals and refreshments are also available.

Yachts are to be fitted with a VHF Transceiver with international set channels 12, 16, 73 and 82.



## Race Results

Race	Results	2018
Line:	Ambition (SM9535)	Chris Dare
IRC : 1	Oskana (AUS5299)	Michael Pritchard
IRC : 2	Antagonist (S138)	James Lynch
IRC : 3	Oskana (AUS5299)	Michael Pritchard
AMS : 1	Oskana (AUS5299)	Michael Pritchard
AMS : 2	Mersea (B455)	Neil Sargeant
AMS : 3	Jinot (H4734)	Nick Foa
PHS : 1	Rush (B45)	John Patterson
PHS : 2	Antagonist (S138)	James Lynch
PHS : 3	Hot Chips (SM41)	John Chipp
DHD:	Under Capricorn (B120)	Bruno Carreto

## Race Records

Race (Finish)	Year	Yacht	Time
Rye	2002	Stratcorp 97	04:42:22
Blairgowrie	2010	Gusto	04:40:16

# MELBOURNE TO HOBART WESTCOASTER

## WESTCOASTER

MELBOURNE - HOBART  
ORCV OCEAN RACE

**Ocean Race: 435 nm**

**Race Start: 27 December 2019, 1200 AEDT**

**Safety Category:**

# 2

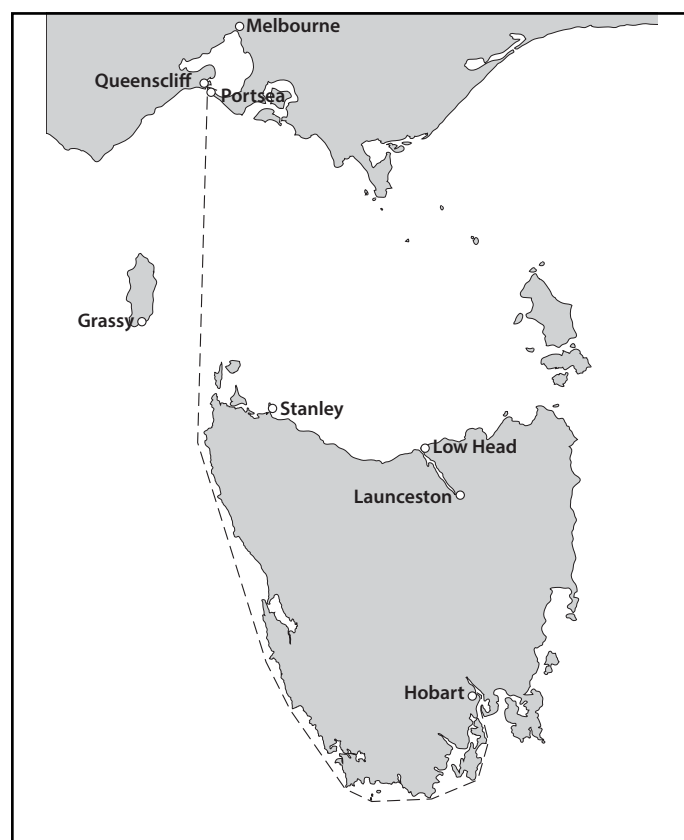
The Melbourne to Hobart Westcoaster is a blue water ocean racing classic of unusual challenge in which seamanship, navigation and tactical skills drive the race outcome. Skippers and crews face diverse conditions of sea state and tide uniquely associated with Bass Strait and the Southern Ocean plus wind conditions which normally include all points of sailing.

This diversity of racing conditions reinforces the integrity of the measurement handicap systems. Good boat preparation and a well found yacht are key requirements but there is little advantage to be gained from race specific yacht design and, as the past winner's list demonstrates, it's an open competition.

The Westcoaster is also one of the few blue water ocean racing classics open to Double Handed yachts and now, including short handed racing with autohelm plus a maximum of 4 crew competing head on against fully crewed yachts.

While the 435nm course presents crews and boats with demanding conditions in Bass Strait and in the 200nm passage down the West Coast to the rounding of Maatsuyker Island - where conditions can be nothing short of spectacular – it is also a race with an unblemished 47 year safety record.

The race's enviable safety record reflects the Clubs training programs, lead up races and experienced Race Management team - all supported by the attention of



crews and skippers to safety and boat preparation as they take up the Westcoaster Challenge.

The race is part of the ORCV Offshore Championship and the Double Handed Offshore series.

## Race Results 2018

Line:	Oskana (AUS5299)	Michael Pritchard
IRC:	Whistler (L77)	David Aplin
AMS:	Whistler (L77)	David Aplin
PHS:	Whistler (L77)	David Aplin
DHD:	Maverick (SM3600)	Rod Smallman

## Race Records

Race	Year	Yacht	Time
Westcoaster	2008	Shortwave	1d 17:28:59



# MELBOURNE TO DEVONPORT RUDDER CUP

## DEVONPORT

RUDDER CUP  
ORCV OCEAN RACE

**Ocean Race: 195 nm**

**Race Start: 27 December 2019, 1200 AEDT**

**Safety Category:**

**2**

In 1907, Thomas Fleming Day, editor of the American magazine "Rudder" wrote to his friend, the Commodore of the Geelong Yacht Club, T. A. Dickson, suggesting a race across Bass Strait to Tasmania in order to promote the sport of yachting. Day struck a trophy worth 60 guineas, a fortune at the time, as a prize for the winner. More than 100 years later, yachts are still racing across Bass Strait for the honour of winning the Rudder Cup. The Rudder Cup is Australia's oldest ocean race and the 5th oldest organised ocean yacht race in the world, predating the Fastnet by 20 years and the Sydney to Hobart race by 4 decades. The inaugural race was run from Port Phillip Heads to Low Head at the mouth of the Tamar River, a distance of 198 nautical miles. This first race was won by the 14.6m yawl Thistle skippered by Edgar Newland with a crew that included his wife and daughter. Conditions were reported to be very rough, so much so that Mrs Newland refused to relinquish the Rudder Cup so as to dissuade other yachtsmen from attempting such a dangerous race. This original trophy came to light again in the 1960's when it was presented by Edgar Newland's son to the then Cruising Yacht Club of Victoria, now the ORCV, to be used again for the dash across Bass Strait.

Today, the trophy is still presented the winner of the Melbourne to Devonport race raced from Portsea across Bass Strait to the finish line at the entrance to the Mersey River.

Finishing yachts may then proceed up the Mersey to the marina at the Mersey Yacht Club for the final race in the Bass Strait Series and the post-race hospitality.



## Race Results 2018

Line:	Dream (SM8)	Robert Green
IRC:	Merlion (H8118)	Eddie Mackevicius
AMS:	Mersea (B455)	Neil Sargeant
PHS:	Wingarra (SB47)	John Hall
DHD:	Under Capricorn	Bruno Carreto

## Race Record

Race	Year	Yacht	Time
Devonport	1998	Prowler	19:32:56
Launceston	2012	Gusto	18:44:05

# MELBOURNE TO KING ISLAND

## KING ISLAND

ORCV OCEAN RACE

**Ocean Race: 114 nm**

**Race Start: 0000 AEDT, 07 March 2020**

**Slackwater 0051 outgoing**

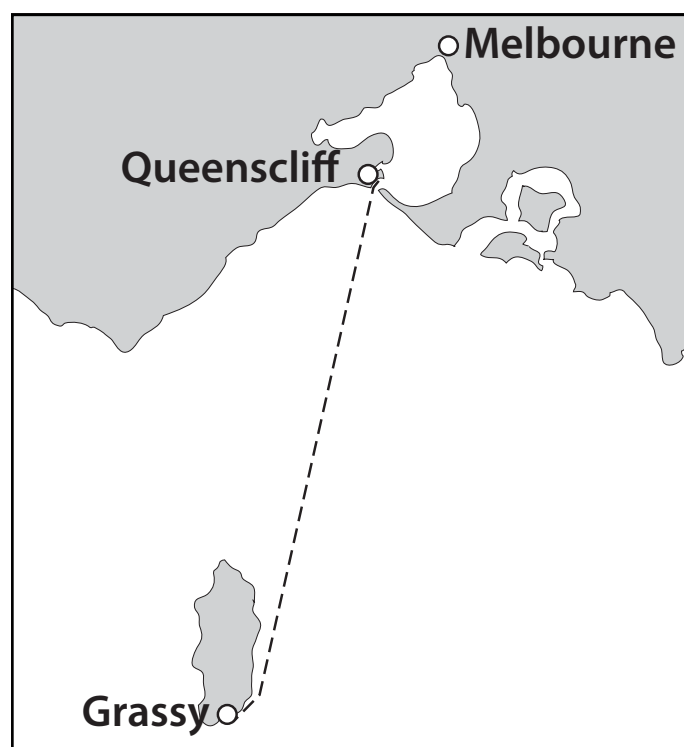
**Safety Category:**

# 2

While the race to King Island is one of the shorter ocean races, it presents some unique navigational challenges. Far from being a pushover, this race is one of the hardest to get right given the currents around King Island.

The race is often won or lost in the concluding stages depending on where yachts make their landfall. Big gains and losses can occur due to wind and tidal influences on the approach to Grassy Harbour.

The harbour offers a safe anchorage in all weather and the legendary hospitality of the King Island Boat Club. The steak sandwiches alone are worth the trip.



### Race Results 2019

Line:	Avalanche (Sm400)	Andrew Mcgrath Chris Auger
IRC:	Patriot (Sm133)	Jason Close
AMS:	Patriot (Sm133)	Jason Close
PHS:	Soiree Bleu (R34)	Douglas Lithgow
DHD:	Maverick (SM3600)	Rod Smallman

### Race Records

Race	Year	Yacht	Time
King Island	2014	Primitive Cool	09:50:21

# MELBOURNE TO APOLLO BAY

## APOLLO BAY

ORCV OCEAN RACE

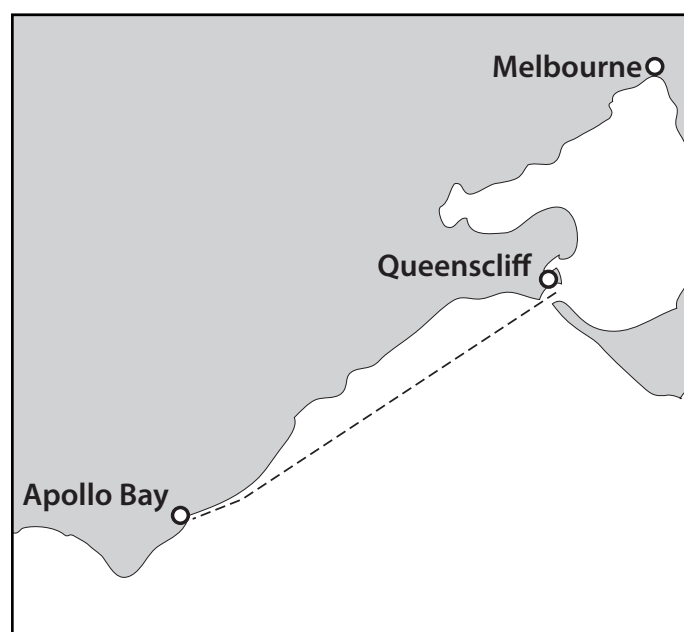
**Ocean Race: 52 nm**

**Race Start: 0730 AEST, 16 May 2020**

**Slackwater: 0836 outgoing**

**Safety Category:**

# 3



A short coastal race starting off Queenscliff, going out of Port Phillip Heads before turning west to follow the coast to Apollo Bay. As the concluding race on the summer racing calendar, the 52 mile dash to Apollo Bay often decides the Ocean Racing Championship. It is also an ideal race for those new to ocean racing with its shorter length and proximity to the coast

The race is often won or lost by navigators and tacticians in their decisions to sail a seaward course or hug the shore- line in search of better breeze but with the prospect of strong tidal flows around capes and headlands. Berthing is available in the Apollo Bay marina, and there are excellent facilities in the town, but the entrance to the harbour can be difficult when large seas are running. Dredging of the harbour was suspended in 2017 – 18 due to an environmental problem but has since been resumed and no draft issues were experienced in the 2019 event

### Race Results 2019

Line:	Carrera S (AUS49005)	Gerry Cantwell
IRC:	Vertigo (935)	Jason Close
AMS:	Vertigo (935)	Tim Olding
PHS:	Algy Rose (SM2105)	Nigel Rose
DHD:	Halcyon (R75)	Chris Tucker
MULTI	Peccadillo (V48)	Charles Meredith

### Race Record

Race	Year	Yacht	Time
Apollo Bay	1999	Kaos	05:24:04

# DOUBLE HANDED RACE

## DOUBLE HANDED

ORCV BAY RACE

**Bay Race: 24 nm**

**Race Start: 1000 AEST, 5 May 2020**

**Safety Category:**

**6**



Sailed on a course on Port Phillip off Brighton, this event provides a challenge to those who wish to test themselves in a shorthanded sailing format, as well as providing valuable training for those who are contemplating participating in the short-handed category of longer races conducted by the club.

As well as competing individually, competitors may form teams to compete for a team's trophy.

Yachts are to be fitted with a VHF Transceiver with international set channels 12, 16, 73 and 82.

### Race Results 2019

Line:	Cadibarra 8 (SM420)	Paul Roberts
AMS	Le Cascadeur (H108)	Ryan Blackstock
IRC	Executive Decision (R1121)	Will Sheers
PHS:	Le Cascadeur (H108)	Ryan Blackstock

### Teams Trophy 2019

Breaking Wind	Executive Decision	Sheers / Rushbrook
	Le Cascadeur	Blackstock / Eeckman
	Saltair	Allard / Allard
	Vertigo	Olding / Olding



# Training





In pursuing the ORCV objective of developing and expanding the sport of ocean sailing and racing, we conduct training and education courses in order to satisfy prescribed sailing requirements, transfer accumulated skills and knowledge of our members, provide practical and hands on training with equipment and supply education in areas of application relevant to blue-water sailing.

All ORCV training activities specifically relate to ocean sailing and racing, particularly where there may be barriers to entering this domain. They are designed to provide supplementary training, which compliments other available sailing training from commercial training organisations.

We not only aim to help participants satisfy prescribed safety requirements, we hope to transfer years of accumulated skills and knowledge, providing the opportunity for practical, hands on experience with the latest equipment and technology. By participating in analysis of incidents, we integrate lessons learned together with consideration of new safety technology and innovations. Our training program also includes a number of "supplementary" practical courses, designed to be undertaken in conjunction with commercial training courses such as practical radio and navigation.

ORCV training activities specifically relate to ocean sailing, both cruising and racing. We try to help people new to ocean sailing, providing knowledge and the support needed to go "Beyond the Bay". Aimed at those new to ocean sailing, this course has proven very popular again this year.

The ORCV 2018-2019 Training Program includes.

- Australian Sailing Safety & Sea Survival Course (page 41)
- Beyond the Bay (page 43) - Biennial, includes Latitude Events
- Rip Tour of Port Phillip Heads (page 44)
- Weather - Modular Offering (page 45)- Biennial
- Practical Navigator (page 46) - Biennial

Depending on demand and the annual racing calendar, we may also run the following courses. They are typically run prior to a major race such as the Melbourne to Osaka or Melbourne to Vanuatu races:

- Long Distance Ocean Racing Seminars
- First Aid Supplement for Offshore Sailing

A calendar of upcoming courses and seminars together with current pricing for members and non-members is provided on the ORCV website ([www.orcv.org.au](http://www.orcv.org.au)). Members should check this regularly as training courses are very popular, they can book out. Bookings may be done online, ORCV members are eligible for discounted course fees for all ORCV training courses.

In addition to the above courses, the ORCV is constantly reviewing and improving its courses for members. Please contact us with your suggestions and comments; we value your input.

Training would not be possible without the support of our volunteers. The training course instructors and assistants are all volunteers, we say thank you to all involved, your assistance is appreciated and valued.



# AUSTRALIAN SAILING SAFETY & SEA SURVIVAL COURSE

There have been a number of off shore incidents over the years. Whilst tragic, we continue to learn from them and improve. A key way to impart that knowledge is the Safety & Sea Survival Course (SSSC).

The popular biennial Fastnet race, first held in 1925 in the Irish Sea and run by the Royal Ocean Racing Club (RORC) is one of the worlds great ocean races. A severe storm during the 1979 race resulted in the deaths of 17 competitors and the loss or abandonment of 23 yachts. This led to a major overhaul of the rules and the equipment required for off shore sailing. In the annual Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race of 1998, fierce storms and violent winds battered the fleet with the loss of six sail-ors and five yachts with a total of 55 sailors being rescued. A subsequent coroner's inquest made a number of recommen-dations, which have been adopted into the Australian Sailing Special Regulations and SSSC course content.

At least 50% of the crew, including the skipper when racing in a Category 1, and at least 30% for Category 2 shall hold a cur-rent Safety and Sea Survival Course certificate of competence. The ORCV has increased the requirement to 50% for Category 2 events. It is strongly recommended that for both cate-gories of races all crew members undertake the course as well as crews of major delivery or cruising passages. Regardless of requirements, the ORCV considers the course a key prerequi-site for ocean racing and ocean cruising. Learning about boat preparation, crew preparation, safety equipment and how to prepare for severe conditions, builds personal competence, confidence and team responsibility for safety.

All who are planning to spend time on a boat in open wa-ter will find this course stimulating and enlightening. It is not only of interest to sailors but also helps shore crew to understand the safety requirements of offshore sailing and the search and rescue process in the event of emergencies.

Recently introduced was the one day "refresher" course, with more a focus on case study analysis. Those participating revisit the practical basics with liferaft, pfd, flares and other hands on exercises. The course has been requested by mem-bers for a number of years and was well received, especially the sharing of participant knowledge and experience.



## SSSC ORCV TRAINING

### Outcomes

- To assist offshore skippers and crews in developing an awareness of their individual and team responsibilities;
- To offer and discuss practical strategies for coping with emergencies at sea;
- To familiarise skippers and crews with the available safety and emergency equipment, its purpose, de-ployment and use.

An SSSC certificate will be issued by Australian Sailing to successful candidates, valid for a period of five years.

### Full Course Outline

The full course is conducted over a period of at least 16 hours delivered in a number of separate sessions. Sessions include theory workshops, a flare drill practical and a wet drill in the water. The theory component of the syllabus comprises:

- Yacht preparation
- Crew preparation
- Racing
- Introduction - Causes of marine emergencies
- Principles of survival
- Personal lifesaving appliances
- Areas of risk and emergencies
- Abandoning ship
- Search and rescue
- Use of pyrotechnics
- Fire prevention and fire fighting
- Emergency communications
- First aid and early management of injury or illness
- Duty of care

The wet drill practical will be held in a local swimming pool. Wearing your full wet weather gear and PFD1, you will complete a number of drills individually and in teams which will include:

- Man overboard drill
- Inflating your personal flotation device (PFD)
- Testing your PFD
- Swimming techniques
- Conserving heat
- Teamwork
- Retrieving and donning life jacket while in the water
- Righting an upturned liferaft
- Entering a liferaft unassisted
- Contents of the survival kit
- Retrieving crew with a throwing line

A final session returns to the classroom to complete and review the theory and for the exam.

## Prerequisites

Participants should have a reasonable level of fitness to enable them to complete the wet drill and other physical activities. Participants who have any concerns or those who have special needs should discuss them with the ORCV office. We are practical and inclusive, often integrating those special needs into the exercises as a learning outcome for others.

Those attending the refresher will be required to do some pre-reading and are expected to have off shore experience since their previous course.

## Course Materials

A Student Resource Pack will be provided.

Gloves and protective eye wear for the Flare Drill will be provided.

## Assessment

Theory Exam: 80% pass mark;

Demonstrated practical competency (wet and flare drills)

## What To Bring

Theory Segments

- Notebook and pens
- Australian Sailing Special Regulations (if you have them)
- Examples of current Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) used on vessels you have set to sea on, as well as experiences to share with other attendees.



## Wet Drill

- Full 3-layer ocean clothing (inner thermal layer, mid layer and outer ocean wet weather gear layer) and sea boots. Wash all clothing including wet weather gear before hand and empty all pockets
- Australian Sailing approved life jacket as per Special Regulations, check for currency and compliance with standards
- Harness, if separate from life jacket and tether
- Remove the gas bottle from inflatable life jacket if you wish to inflate manually
- Crotch strap
- Towel
- Do NOT bring Dye Marker or Strobe

Please Note: For the Flare Shoot you must wear closed shoes and appropriate clothing. We supply protective gloves and goggles. Flares are dangerous and become very hot and can sometimes give off sparks in different directions. Dressing appropriately will help you to avoid accidental burns.

## More Information

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We recommend that you prepare for this course as you would for an ocean voyage and that you have an early night the day before and avoid alcohol.

# BEYOND THE BAY

The “Beyond the Bay” program provides participants, typically new to offshore sailing, with the knowledge, skills and the opportunity to safely travel beyond Port Philip Bay. Unlike other training and racing programs, the Beyond the Bay program is primarily focused on cruisers and those new to ocean racing. The Beyond the Bay program leverages off and includes the previous Latitude Mentoring Seminars.

Through discussions with numerous boat owners, who share a desire for venturing out Beyond the Bay but lacked the opportunity, experience or confidence to do so, the ORCV tapped into a real need in the sailing community. The program is run every two years, it is being run in 2019 and will next be run in 2021.

## Outcomes

Following the program, participants will have gained knowledge and skills in boat preparation, crew preparation, night sailing, provisioning, watch systems, basic navigation, practical radio and weather. Mentoring is used to supplement the training sessions, allowing participants to gain more in-depth, one-on-one coaching and advice. Knowledge and skills will then be tested through two on water events, one overnight in the bay and one daylight event conducted outside the Port Philip Heads (the Latitude event). Upon completion, participants will “graduate”, being awarded their Beyond the Bay polo shirt.

## Course Outline

- A series of evening and afternoon sessions, approximately one per month:
- Program introduction, boat and crew preparation and safety gear
- Crew management, watch systems, night sailing, operating procedures and training
- Practical hands on marine radio workshop including on shore tracking and AIS
- Weather introduction, provisioning, overnight challenge TopYacht entry, preparing for a safety audit
- More Weather plus tides and basic navigation
- Mentoring
- Preparation for, and on water support for two on water events:
- Winter Series Passage races to Blairgowrie and Geelong
- Latitude Overnight Challenge
- Latitude Ocean Events

## Prerequisites

There are no formal prerequisites but participants will be expected to be experienced sailors (e.g. know the basics of trimming and boat handling). Participants with some night sailing or offshore sailing experience will naturally gain more from the program than those who have not.

## BEYOND THE BAY

### ORCV TRAINING

## Materials

Participants will have access to all course slides, documents and useful links on the Beyond the Bay web site.

## Presenters and Assistants

Presenters will be ORCV endorsed training presenters, all skippers/watch leads with 10+ years of ocean racing experience. Assistants will be ORCV volunteers who are experienced with the aspects of course instruction they are dealing with.

## Assessment

There are a number of homework exercises which can be assessed by Beyond the Bay presenters. Mentors will participate in the on-water events and will give practical advice. Those who complete five events including the Latitude Challenge will be considered to have completed the program and earn a graduation shirt.

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# RIP TOUR OF PORT PHILLIP HEADS

The ORCV conducts a regular practical tour of the entrance to Port Phillip with expert commentary by experienced offshore navigators and yachtsmen.

This practical, on water “show and tell” of Port Phillip Heads will appeal to all yachties and their families, the fishing and boating public and those with an interest in the history of the area. So pack a picnic and enjoy this day of discovery.

“The Rip” or “The Heads” is the narrow entrance to Port Phillip and the only access for shipping to the ports of Melbourne and Geelong. More than 4,000 commercial vessels transit this gateway annually where underwater reefs limit the navigable entrance to just one kilometre.

This narrow entrance restricts the tidal range within Port Phillip Bay, which creates a difference in the relative water levels inside and outside Port Phillip. Consequently, at about the time of high and low water at Port Phillip Heads, the inward and outward streams run at their strongest, creating a “bathtub” effect.

For low-powered boats, the underwater topography, volume of traffic and tidal streams makes Port Phillip Heads one of the most dangerous port entrances in the world.

The sailing master of any yacht entering an ORCV race for the first time needs to have demonstrated an understanding of navigation protocols at Port Phillip Heads, either from experience within the last six months or by completing this course.

## Outcomes

To increase the safety of boating enthusiasts, particularly yacht racers, planning to transit Port Phillip Heads. To familiarise and inform participants about the navigational aids and entry/exit procedures at the Heads, including:

- Knowledge of safety procedures
- Identification of navigational aids
- Familiarisation of the leads
- Use of safe water channels
- Understanding radio protocols
- Awareness of expected inbound and outbound traffic and obligations
- Confidence traversing The Rip under sail
- Day and night identification of leads and tidal flow
- Weather conditions and their effect on tidal streams

## Course Outcomes

Estimated duration is about 3 hours. Boarding and disembarkation at both Sorrento or Queenscliff. Times will vary depending on tides, they will be communicated to participants prior to booking. Participants board a motor vessel at Sorrento Pier or Queenscliff and motor to Draper’s Reef.

## RIP TOUR ORCV TRAINING

Instruction by experienced offshore navigators and yachtsmen then covers:

- Underwater topography
- Points of interest
- Major channel beacons and navigational aids
- Traffic data and radio protocols
- Queenscliff lead lights and shipping channels
- Tides and tide signals

Commentary will describe favourable conditions and when to anticipate dangerous situations so these may be avoided. You will hear about the patterns in tidal flow, how to set up safely for both inwards and outwards transits and correct channel protocols.

You will traverse the leads under Shortland Bluff and if the tide is running, depending on traffic, there may be the opportunity to venture seawards to view the effects of “The Rip” before returning to disembark at Sorrento pier.

## Prerequisites

There are no prerequisites for this course.

## Materials

Attendees receive an informative wall chart containing a summary of much useful information concerning the Rip.

## Assessment

There is no formal assessment for this course.

## What to Bring

- Weather appropriate clothing and nonslip footwear
- Lunch (barbeques available at various shore locations)
- Binoculars (optional)
- Life jackets will be available on board
- Snacks and refreshments available on board

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# WEATHER - MODULAR OFFERING

No sailor should be ignorant of the weather. It is without doubt one of the most complex areas affecting navigation and safety and one evolving rapidly from a technology perspective. The ORCV offers a modular approach to weather training, allowing participants to choose a program suited to them.

We have taken the previous concept of “Basic vs Advanced” one step further, creating a modular course based on its application (bay, coastal or off shore). The course builds on concepts, terminology and weather theory, providing the opportunity for hands on exercises and an overview of the latest weather related technology.

## Outcomes

Following the course, participants will be able to:

- Source weather forecast information
- Interpret and analyse weather forecast information
- Apply weather forecasts to navigation and journey planning
- Observe clouds and weather related information while en route
- Consider observations and their affect on navigation and journey planning
- Course Outline
- This course is composed of four half day modules:
- Definitions and fundamentals
- Enclosed waters
- Coastal waters
- Trans Ocean

The course covers fundamental concepts such as global weather patterns, upper atmosphere effects, pressure patterns, current, waves and localised effects. It will look at how the weather works, what information sources are available, how to read weather maps and some practical hands on exercises.

The course also includes presentation of technology options ranging from Weatherfax to GRIB files and Internet based forecasts plus Navigation software utilising weather routing. From Bass Strait to the tropics, the weather course will look at varying conditions likely to be experienced.



## WEATHER ORCV TRAINING

## Prerequisites

There are no prerequisites for the first two modules, just a healthy interest in understanding your environment while you enjoy blue water yachting. If you are planning to attend the second two modules, we will expect you to have completed the first two modules and have some ocean sailing experience.

## Materials

A modular “Student Resource Pack” will be provided. Participants are encouraged to bring along their own weather sources, resources and questions.

## Presenters

The course was developed and delivered by Robin Hewitt and Andrew Roberts. The lead presenter is Robin Hewitt, a legend amongst the ocean racing community. Robin is extremely knowledgeable about weather, having built the course after many years presenting weather related training. Supporting presenters will be ORCV endorsed training presenters, mostly skippers/watch leads and/or navigators with 10+ years of ocean racing experience.

## Assessment

Several workshop style exercises will be provided and reviewed throughout the course.

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# PRACTICAL NAVIGATOR

A fundamental part of the experience required to safely venture out off shore is the ability to navigate. While there are courses offered in coastal navigation, the ORCV recognised that the role of the “Navigator” was broader than just determination of bearings and distance.

With technology evolving so fast, we recognise the risk of “false precision”, that is impressive computerised navigation equipment fooling people into a sense of complacency. There have been major incidents (eg Vestas Wind in the recent Volvo race) where even highly experienced navigators have made these mistakes.

Starting with Navigation first principles (paper charts, lat/long and bearing/distance), we move to GPS technology and more importantly route planning. We cover the impact of weather and tides on navigation as well as safe havens, we cover the key GPS data to watch, observations and hazard avoidance.

The course is run every two years, it will next be run in 2020.

## Outcomes

For participants to be able to:

- explain the role of a navigator on a cruising or racing yacht,
- determine and communicate their position, while at sea,
- plan and communicate a safe route of travel, bearing in mind voyage objectives, crew experience and potential risks.

## Course Outline

The course is conducted over four 2.5 hour sessions at a venue such as Bells Hotel, together with self paced homework exercises between sessions.

## NAVIGATION

### ORCV TRAINING

## Prerequisites

There are no pre-requisites, but participants who have some exposure to navigating and navigation equipment such as marine GPS will gain much more from the course than those who have not.

## Materials

Participants will receive printed exercises plus electronic copies of the slides.

## Presenters and Assistants

This course was redesigned by Rod Smallman in 2019 to incorporate more electronics after understanding the basics.

## Assessment

Participants will gain feedback on homework exercises.

## More Information

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# 2019-2020

## Racing Schedule

### RACE SUMMARY

For the 2019-2020 season the Offshore Campaign the ORCV will conduct a series of races as follows:

Race	Date	Start	Finish	Distance	Cat
Melbourne to Stanley	02/11/2019	Queenscliff	Stanley	152 nm	2
Coastal Sprint Race 1	23/11/2019	Queenscliff	Portsea	~50 nm	3
Latitude Ocean	23/11/2019	Queenscliff	Portsea	Variable (~6 hours)	3
Hobart Westcoaster	27/12/2019	Portsea	Hobart	435 nm	2
Devonport Rudder Cup	27/12/2019	Portsea	Devonport	195 nm	2
Coastal Sprint Race 2	15/02/2020	Queenscliff	Portsea	~50 nm	3
Melbourne to King Island	07/03/2020	Queenscliff	Grassy	114 nm	2
Coastal Sprint Race 3	10/03/2020	Queenscliff	Portsea	~50 nm	3
Melbourne to Apollo Bay	16/05/2020	Queenscliff	Apollo Bay	52 nm	3

### OTHER EVENTS

For the 2019-2020 season, the ORCV will conduct a series of ocean races as shown in the Race Summary above. In addition, the ORCV will also conduct or be associated with the following series and events:

- The Latitude Pursuit Race from Blairgowrie to Sandringham on the 24 November 2019.
- The Cock of the Bay, a passage race from Port Melbourne to Blairgowrie, on 26 December 2019, conducted by the ORCV in association with the Royal Yacht Club of Victoria and the Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron.
- The Sovereign Series consisting of the Cock of the Bay, the Melbourne to Hobart Westcoaster and the DSS King of the Derwent.
- The Bass Strait Series consisting of the Cock of the Bay, the Rudder Cup and the MYC Top of the Island Race.
- The ORCV Double-Handed Race on Sunday, 26 April 2020, an "around the marks" race conducted by the ORCV in Port Phillip over a course of approximately 25 nautical miles.
- The 2020 ORCV Winter Series, a series of 4 races sailed on Port Phillip around laid and fixed marks including the 2020 ORCV Winter Cruiser Series.
- The 2020 ORCV Melbourne to Blairgowrie to Melbourne Race, run in conjunction with Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron..
- The 2020 ORCV Women Skippers & Navigators Race from Blairgowrie to Melbourne, run in conjunction with the Yachting Victoria Women and Girls in Sailing Committee (WGSIC).
- The 2020 ORCV Melbourne to Geelong Race, run in conjunction with the Royal Geelong Yacht Club.
- The 2020 ORCV Novice Skippers & Navigators Race from Geelong to Melbourne.