



## **MSA TRAVELLER'S SERIES 2017/18**

Organising Authority

Minnow Sailing Association (Victoria) in conjunction with following Clubs and Regattas that constitute the MSA Traveller's Series 2017/18

Royal Geelong Yacht Club  
(Spring Sail 23 - 24 Sept 2017)

Sandringham Yacht Club  
(Sail Sandy 14 - 15 October 2017)

Albury Wodonga Yacht Club  
(Victorian Dinghy Championships 4 - 5 November 2017)

Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron  
(Club Racing pre-Nationals, 9 December 2017)

Minnow State Championships – Parkdale Yacht Club  
(24 - 25 Feb 2018)

Williamstown Sailing Club  
(Club Racing March 2018 – TBC)

Royal Brighton Yacht Club  
(Club Marine Victorian Youth & Junior Regatta 14 – 15 April 2018)

Gippsland Lakes Yacht Club  
(Club Racing, 28 – 29 April 2018 - TBC)

# NOTICE OF SERIES

The Minnow Sailing Association (Victoria) is pleased to invite Minnow sailors to participate in the MSA Traveller's Series. The series is designed to encourage sailors to travel to other clubs to expand their sailing experience and to meet other sailors.

## **1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY**

The Organising Authority shall consist of Minnow Sailing Association (Victoria) [MSA] and host yacht clubs of the regattas constituting the MSA Traveller's Series.

## **2 RULES**

- 2.1 The MSA Traveller's Series and its constituent regattas will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 2.2 Specific rules applicable to each regatta are as per the race documents for each regatta.

## **3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRIES**

- 3.1 The series is open to sailors of the Minnow class.
- 3.2 The helmsperson shall:
  - 3.2.1 Be members of a club affiliated with Australian Sailing.
  - 3.2.2 Be paid members of the MSA

## **4 FEES**

The entry fees (boats and coaches) for each regatta will be determined in the Notice of Race for each regatta. There is no entry fee for the MSA Traveller's Series.

## **5 Schedule**

- 5.1 The events which constitute the series are listed on the front page of this document.
- 5.2 The dates of each regatta are subject to change. Date changes will be notified on the MSA Facebook page.
- 5.3 The race schedule for each regatta shall be stated in the Notice of Race of each regatta.
- 5.4 The number of races scheduled for each event shall be stated in the Notice of Race of each regatta.
- 5.5 The scheduled time for the warning signal for each event shall be stated in the Notice of Race of each regatta.

## **6 MEASUREMENT**

- 6.1 Each boat shall hold a valid measurement certificate (if required by class rules).
- 6.2 Measurement checks and inspections may be carried out at any time. A boat notified of inspection shall follow the instructions of the MSA Committee.

## **7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing Instructions will be available as stated in the Notice of Race for each regatta.

## **8 VENUE**

As stated in the Notice of Race of each regatta.

## **9 SCORING**

### **9.1 Regatta scoring system**

The scoring system for each individual regatta will be as stated in the Notice of Race of each regatta.

### **9.2 MSA Traveller's Series scoring system**

In each event, only the 20 boats ranked highest in the overall ranking of the regattas for each class will be scored. First will be scored 20 points, second 19, etc...and twentieth 1 point. A boat finishing in twenty-first place or worse is scored zero. A boat that does not compete in a regatta is not awarded a score. The MSA Traveller's Series score for a boat will be the sum of all the regattas scores, excluding her worst score.

Results for the MSA Traveller's Series will be available on the MSA website (<http://www.minnow.org.au>).

If there is a point score tie between two or more boats, the tie shall be broken in favour of the boat with the best (i.e. highest) score at the Victorian Minnow State Championships.

## **10. PRIZES**

10.1 In each regatta the prizes will be as described in the Notice of Race for that regatta.

10.2 MSA will award prizes for the top 3 in the series. The winner will hold the perpetual trophy "MSA Quantum Traveller Series"

## **11. REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT**

Substitution of boat or sail number will not be allowed unless authorised by the MSA President or Secretary. Requests for substitution shall be made in writing via email [minnowsailing@gmail.com](mailto:minnowsailing@gmail.com).

## **12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regattas of the MSA Traveller's Series entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to during, or after the regatta.

## **13. INSURANCE**

Each crew shall hold third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD \$5,000,000. The document shown shall be the original issued by the insurance company.

## **14. RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS**

In participating in the MSA Traveller's Series, a competitor grants to the Organising Authority, the sponsors of the MSA Traveller's Series and the sponsors of each individual regatta, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition for the said MSA Traveller's Series in which the competitor participates and in all material related to the said MSA Traveller's Series without compensation.

## **15. FURTHER INFORMATION**

15.1 For the individual regattas constituting the series, this will be contained in the Notice of Race of each regatta.

15.2 If any conflict arises between this Notice of Series and the Notice of Race of an individual regatta, the

Notice of Race of the individual regatta will prevail.

- 15.3 Further information about the MSA Traveller's Series in general or for any questions please contact the MSA President or Secretary via email [minnowsailing@gmail.com](mailto:minnowsailing@gmail.com)