



ROYAL SOUTH AUSTRALIAN YACHT SQUADRON

Flying Fifteen International – Australia 57th Australian National Championships Saturday December 29th, 2018 to Saturday January 5th, 2019

Notice of Race

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 to 2020.
- 1.2 The Australia Sailing (AS) Special Regulations Part 2 for off the beach boats and small open ballasted boats shall apply.
- 1.3 The Class Rules of Flying Fifteen International (“FFI”) will apply.
- 1.4 The Organising Authority is the Royal South Australian Yacht Squadron on behalf of Flying Fifteen International Australia (FFIA).

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Advertising is permitted in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20, subject to Class Rule B17.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY.

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the International Flying Fifteen Class which hold a valid FFI Measurement Certificate and are entered on the FFIA Register of Boats or are registered with an association established outside Australia affiliated with FFI.
- 3.2 Both helm and crew shall be financial members of Sailing Australia or affiliated to an alternative Member National Authority.
- 3.3 The boat’s owner shall be a full member of a recognised State or National Flying Fifteen Association with affiliation to FFI. In addition, the boat’s helm and crew shall each be a current member of a recognised State or National Flying Fifteen Association.



- 3.4 Persons nominated on the entry form to sail the boat in the Championship may not be substituted without the permission of the Race Committee. Any substitute thus permitted shall not helm the boat.
- 3.5 All entrants will compete in the Open Division, while entries will be accepted for both Classic and Silver Divisions.
- 3.6 The Classic Division is open to all boats with sail numbers below 2701 but excluding boats which have had substantial hull shell modifications, and in addition including unmodified boats with sail numbers above 2700 derived from genuine Classic moulds. A definitive listing of boats qualifying for Classic status is published on the Flying Fifteen International website at: www.flying15.org
- 3.7 Eligible boats may enter by completing the details on the Royal South Australian Yacht Squadron website www.rsays.com.au/flying-fifteen-regatta by Friday 30th November, 2018 or through the RSAYS Office. Entries received after 30th November may not be able to order Regatta Shirts.

4. FEES

- 4.1 The entry fee for the regatta is \$385 which includes the costs of two tickets to attend casual Welcome function, the Presentation Dinner, Regatta shirts. Additional tickets to any of the social functions and lunches may be ordered and paid for together with the entry fee.
- 4.2 Entries submitted after 30th November, 2018 will be late entries and may be accepted up to the 21st December, 2018 and at the discretion of the Organising Authority. Any late entry accepted will be subject to the payment of a late entry fee of \$100. Late entrants may not be able to order shirts, and entries received after December 24th may not be able to attend functions
- 4.3 Payment in full must be made at the time of entry

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Registration, measurement and inspection will be conducted at Royal South Australian Yacht Squadron between 1400 hrs and 1700 hrs on Saturday 29th December 2018 and 0900 hrs to 1100 hrs on Sunday 30th December 2018.
- 5.2 A competitors' meeting will be conducted on the deck of Royal South Australian Yacht Squadron on Sunday 30th December, 2018 at 1100 hrs
- 5.3 The event will comprise nine championship races as scheduled below. The dates and times of racing are as follows:

Race Scheduled	Day	Date	Time of First Race Warning Signal
Invitation Race	Sunday	Dec 30, 2018	1355 hrs.
Race Day	Monday	Dec 31, 2018	1255 hrs.
Race Day	Wednesday	Jan. 2, 2019	1255 hrs.
Race Day	Thursday	Jan. 3 2019	1255 hrs.
Race Day	Friday	Jan. 4 2019	1255 hrs.
Race Day	Saturday	Jan. 5 2019	1055 hrs.

- 5.4 No more than three races may be sailed in each Championship Racing Session, sailed back-to-back with a short delay between each race.
- 5.5 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning schedule will be made after 1330 hours



6. REGISTRATION AND MEASUREMENT

- 6.1 At registration all entrants are required to present the boat's measurement certificate.
- 6.2 Following registration, a boat must be presented for safety and measurement inspections. Not more than two mainsails, two headsails, and two spinnakers shall be registered for use in the regatta. All sails must have been measured prior to arrival at the regatta. A boat's entry will not be deemed complete until these checks have been satisfactorily completed. In the event that a sail or spar is lost or damaged during the course of the championship to such an extent that it cannot be used, the Race Committee may authorise the use of a replacement sail or spar.
- 6.3 As required by the Race Committee or as directed by the Protest Committee, a boat may be inspected and re-measured at any time during the regatta.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 Sailing Instructions will be available on the Royal South Australian Yacht Squadron website www.rsays.com.au/flying-fifteen-regatta on or before Monday 17th December, 2018 and at registration.

8. VENUE ROYAL SOUTH AUSTRALIAN YACHT SQUADRON

- 8.1 Courses will be laid on the waters of Gulf St Vincent, Outer Harbour.

9. THE COURSES

- 9.1 The courses to be sailed will be described in detail in the Sailing Instructions and will consist of a combination of windward, leeward, and reaching legs.

10. SCORING

- 10.1 The scoring system is as follows:
- 10.2 Up to Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
 - (a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When from five to seven races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - (c) When eight or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst races.
- 10.3 Handicaps for the Allen Brooke Shield trophy will be determined by the Yachting Victoria Performance Handicap Rules. Allocated handicaps for the first race will be the same for each boat and the handicap rules applied to the first three races. The Average Allocated Handicap produced after race 3 will then be applied to race 1 and all subsequent races recalculated. Points will be awarded for handicap results in accordance with above. A boat that finishes in the first three places in the Open division will be ineligible to win the Handicap Trophy. This changes rule A2.
- 10.4 Series scores for the Flying Fifteen International 57th Australian Championship shall be based on a fleet inclusive of all boats. The Silver and Classic divisions will also be scored as separate fleets. Series handicap results will be determined for the fleet inclusive of all boats.

11. TRANSMITTING DEVICES.

- 11.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive radio communications whilst racing. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.



12. BOAT PARKING AND LAUNCHING.

- 12.1 Boats will be assigned a place in the RSAYS yard. Two launching and retrieval cranes and a launching ramp are available in the RSAYS yard. The cranes may only be operated by qualified personnel who will be available to assist competitors. A RSAYS member will be responsible for the marshalling of boats during the Launching and retrieval operations. Competitors are asked to nominate their preferred launching method to help allocate yard locations.

13. PRIZES

- 13.1 Prizes will be given as follows:

Trophy	Awarded To:
Coweslip Trophy	Helm of the Winning Boat in the Australian Championships
Anniversary Trophy	Crew of the Winning Boat in the Australian Championships
The Canberra Plate	Helm of the Second Placed Boat in the Australian Championships
Tempest Trophy	Helm of the Third Placed Boat in the Australian Championships
The Gippsland Lakes Trophy	Helm of the Fourth Placed Boat in the Australian Championship
Uffa Fox Trophy	Helm of the Winning Boat in the Invitation Race
The J.A.T. "Tally" Hobbs Trophy	Helm of the First Placed Silver Boat in the Australian Championships
The Walbourn Trophy	Helm of the First Placed Classic Boat in the Australian Championships
Allan Brooke Perpetual Shield	Helm of the First boat on Handicap in the Australian Championships
The Masters Trophy	Helm aged 65 years or over who is highest placed in the Australian Championships
The Bill Shand Trophy	Helm and Crew whose combined ages are 125 years or over who are highest placed in the Australian Championship
The Rising Stars Trophy	Helm and Crew whose combined ages are less than 50 years who are highest placed in the Australian Championship.

- 13.2 All Trophies must remain in Australia, if won by an overseas competitor they should be returned to the FFIA Secretary for safekeeping.
- 13.3 Other prizes may be awarded to race winners and as determined by the Organizing Authority.
- 13.4 In addition to perpetual trophies, winning crews will be awarded commemorative trophies to retain
- 13.5 Prizes will be presented to place getters in each division and for results on handicap at the conclusion of racing, each day at presentations. Other prizes may also be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Committee on these occasions.
- 13.6 Major championship prizes will be presented at the Presentation Dinner.



14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 14.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4 of the RRS, 'Decision to Race'. The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. In addition to this the following clauses are applicable:
- 14.2 A boat is entirely responsible for her own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility. In this paragraph and the following paragraphs, wherever the context so permits, 'boat' includes the helm and their parents or guardians.
- 14.3 It is for the boat to decide whether she is fit to sail in the conditions in which she will find herself. By launching, the boat confirms that she is fit for those conditions and that her crew is competent to sail and compete in them.
- 14.4 Nothing done or omitted to be done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the boat nor will make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the racing or other parts of the event. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the events and their associated activities, afloat or ashore, and include the Organising Authority, the Race Committee, the race officers, patrol boats and beach masters.
- 14.5 The provision of rescue boats does not relieve the boat of its responsibilities.
- 14.6 The fact that the Race Committee conducts inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of the boat set out in these conditions.

15. INSURANCE

- 15.1 Each participating boat shall have third-party liability and public liability insurance cover of not less than \$10,000,000 per event. By signing the Entry Form entrants declare that they hold such insurance in respect of this boat and this regatta and that they will continue to do so for the duration of the regatta.

16. MEDIA

- 16.1 By entering for this event all competitors provide permission for all photographs, video, and audio to be the property of the Organising Authority and used for any purpose including public viewing and posting on the event website

17. AMENDMENTS

- 17.1 Any amendments to this Notice of Race will be published on the event website www.rsays.com.au/flying-fifteen-regatta.