



Lake Wellington Yacht Club

NOTICE OF RACE

Lake Wellington Yacht Club 2025-2026 Club Racing Season.

The season commences on the Sunday 5th October 2025 and concludes on the 20th April 2026.

This Notice of Race covers all club events detailed in the 2025-2026 LWYC Sailing Calendar excluding the Marlay Point Overnight Yacht Race, The Lake Wellington Triangle race and any event scheduled by another club.

1. Rules

All races conducted will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028, the prescriptions and special regulations of Australian Sailing, and these Sailing Instructions (SIs).

2. Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be posted on the official sailing notice board located at the LWYC clubhouse and on the LWYC website. The SIs will be available from 1st October 2025.

3. Eligibility and Entry

3.1 The 2025-2026 **Club Racing Season** is open to all sailing boats whose owners are financial members of the LWYC Inc.

3.2 All crews must also be LWYC members.

3.3 Visiting members of other affiliated clubs are eligible to race for a maximum of three races after which they must join the LWYC.

3.4 Casual entries will be accepted using the SAIL PASS system for a maximum of three races after which they must join the LWYC.

3.5 The LWYC race entry form and safety declaration must be completed and submitted prior to participating in any event. Entry forms and safety declarations are available from the clubhouse or by downloading from website.

3.6 The Ross Smith Torchlight Challenge race is limited to trailable yachts that comply with safety category 5

4. Fees

Each Club Race

LWYC members	\$0
Visitors	\$10

5. Schedule of Events

The schedule of events of the **2025-26 Club Racing Season** is listed in the LWYC Club program posted on the official sailing notice board located at the LWYC clubhouse and on the LWYC website.

6. Safety

6.1 Safety Categories



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The safety categories applicable to these races are as follows:

Trailable Yachts: Australian Sailing Special Regulations Category 7 will apply for all races except for the Ross Smith Torchlight Challenge which will be Category 5.

Off The Beach Boats: Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 for off the beach boats

6.2 A valid safety declaration must be completed and submitted prior to participating in any race.

6.3 All trailable yachts shall have a minimum crew of 2 onboard.

7. Racing Area

The racing area will be the waters of Lake Wellington

8. Courses

The courses for “round the buoys” races are described in the Sailing Instructions – Appendix A.

The course for the “The Point to Point Race” is described in the Sailing Instructions – Appendix B.

The course for the “The Avon River Race” is described in the Sailing Instructions – Appendix C.

9. Scoring

The Low Point scoring system, RRS Appendix A will apply.

Competitors volunteering to do race management duties will be awarded “average” points. Competitors in the Explorer 16 Victorian Championships will be awarded ‘average points’.

10. Radio Communications

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

LWYC working frequency is VHF channel 73.

11. Prizes

(a) CLUB CHAMPION.

Awarded annually to the yacht which accumulates the least number of points using the Low Point Scoring System in Championship Races in respect of Corrected time using Wellington Rating. (12 races)

(b) PERSONAL HANDICAP CHAMPION.

Awarded annually to the yacht, excluding the Club Championship winner, which accumulates the least number of points using the Low Point Scoring System in Championship Races in respect of Corrected time using Personal Rating. (12 races)



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- (c) **POINT TO POINT TROPHY**
Awarded to the winner of a race from Marlay Point, to Tucker Point and then to Swell Point or reverse.
- (d) **COMMODORES TROPHY.**
Awarded to the Yacht with the least points scored using Low Point Scoring System in the prescribed series of races in respect of corrected time using Wellington Rating. (6 races)
- (e) **AVON RIVER TROPHY.**
Awarded to the winner of the race where much of the course is set in the Avon River, based on corrected time using Wellington Rating.
- (f) **GIPPSLAND TRAVELLER**
Awarded to the low point winner of a series of races conducted by other sailing clubs in the region. The races to be included are the: LWYC Wellington Triangle, PAYC Around Sunday Island Race, GLYC Easter Regatta Around Raymond Island Race and WMBC Warneet Around French Island Race.
- (g) **ROSS SMITH TORCHLIGHT CHALLENGE**
Awarded to the winner of the Ross Smith Torchlight Challenge.
- (h) **SHERYL TROPHY**
Awarded to the yacht with the least points scored using Low Point Scoring System in the prescribed series of races in respect of corrected time using Wellington Rating. (4 races)
- (i) **WARNER TROPHY**
Awarded to the yacht with the least points scored using Low Point Scoring System in the prescribed series of races in respect of corrected time using Personal Rating. (4 races)
- (j) **RAINEY TROPHY**
Awarded to the yacht with the least points scored using Low Point Scoring System in the prescribed series of races in respect of the corrected time using Personal Rating (4 races)
- (j) **TRIDENT TROPHY**
Awarded to the yacht with the highest points over the season with 10 points for each club race started plus a point scored for each yacht behind her in each completed race. Excludes the winners of Annual Trophies (a) and (b).
- (k) **OPENING DAY RACE TROPHY**
Awarded to the winner of the Opening Day race using Wellington rating.
- (l) **CHRISTMAS CUP**
Awarded to the winner of the Christmas Cup race using Wellington rating.



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12. Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD\$10m per event or equivalent.

13. Further Information

For further information, please contact:

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