



Notice of Race

2023 Victorian Championship

INTERNATIONAL FINN CLASS

Davey's Bay Yacht Club (DBYC) as Organizing Authority
on behalf of International Finn Association – Australia,
invites entries for the 2023 International Finn Class Victorian Championship
to be held at Davey's Bay, Mount Eliza, Victoria **on 25 & 26 March 2023.**

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2021-2024 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the 2021-2024 Australia Sailing (AS) Prescriptions and Special Regulations Part 2 for off-the-beach boats, except as varied by this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 Rule 44.1 and Appendix P2.1 is changed that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One Turn Penalty.
- 1.3 International Finn Class rules shall apply.
- 1.4 RRS Appendix P - Shall Apply.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The Sailing Instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and Supplementary Sailing Instructions that will be available online at least one week prior to Registration, at Registration, and on the official notice board at DBYC.

3 ADVERTISING

- 3.1 RRS Part 6 rule 80 and Class Rule B17 will apply; however, the forward 25% section of the hull length on each boat's side shall be reserved to affix event advertising and bow numbers. All boats may be required to display bow numbers and/or event sponsors' advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.
- 3.2 The Organising Authority reserves the right to refuse advertising by a boat or competitor when it is in conflict with an event sponsor or the laws of the Victorian or Australian Governments.

4 COMMUNICATION

- 4.1 The official notice board is on the Davey's Bay Yacht Club website: www.dbyc.com.au

5 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 5.1 The regatta is open to boats from the International Finn Class.
- 5.2 Competitors must be current financial members of an affiliated International Finn Association and of a club affiliated with their national MYA.
- 5.3 Parent/Guardians of competitors under the age of 18 years as of 25th March 2023 shall acknowledge the entry declaration form.
- 5.4 Eligible boats may enter via the [Regatta Entry Link](#).

6 FEES.

- 6.1 The standard regatta entry fee is AUD\$110.00 per boat up until 2359 hours on Monday 20th March 2023.
- 6.2 The fee for entries received after that time shall be AUD\$160.00.
- 6.3 Late entries shall be accepted until 2359 hours on Friday 24th March 2023.
- 6.4 The Entry Fee includes 1 lunch roll on both Saturday and Sunday provided by DBYC. Competitors may select either “meat & Salad” or “vegetarian” **rolls** but these are not allergy friendly so there is an option for no rolls. Extra rolls and other food and drink items can be purchased from the galley.

7 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Date	Event	Time (Warning Signal)
Friday 24 March 2023	Registration and boat drop off	1800-2000 hrs
Saturday 25 March 2023	Registration and boat drop off	0900-1030 hrs
	Information Session	1100 hrs
	Race Session 1	1300 hrs
	The BIG BBQ , Garden Bar and Deck	Approx 1700 hrs
Sunday 26 March 2023	Race Session 2	1300hrs *
	Presentation	ASAP After Racing

7.1. Six (6) races are scheduled for the Championship.

7.2. Three (3) races per day are planned back-to-back. Additional races may be sailed on any day provided that the regatta does not become more than two (2) races ahead of schedule. No more than four (4) races shall be sailed in one day.

7.3. No warning signal shall be made after 1700 hours on Sunday 26 March 2023.

8 MEASUREMENT AND REGISTRATION

- 8.1 Competitors may use one (1) mast and two (2) sails during the regatta, each of which must be declared at registration.
- 8.2 Competitors must have a sail number issued by IFAA, which either matches to the number, allocated to the hull or the personal number of the skipper.
- 8.3 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the Class Rules, Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 and the Sailing Instructions. A boat can be instructed by the Race Committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

9 VENUE AND RACING AREAS

Racing will be conducted on the waters in the vicinity of Davey's Bay Yacht Club, Mt Eliza.
See Appendix A.

Vehicle access to DBYC is limited. There is a private lane off Brookwood Ave (which will be signposted). This lane will be open, by arrangement, to allow vehicle access (4 wheel drive only) for boat delivery and pickup only on the Friday afternoon, Saturday morning and Sunday afternoon. There is no car parking on the club grounds but plenty of boat parking.

At all times, other than boat delivery, car parking and walking access will be via Davey's Bay Rd and the signposted cliff top path.

The Club has ramp and launching facilities and plenty of boat parking on club grounds.

Further information available from Website: dbyc.com.au

or for general enquiries contact Andrew Coutts on 0412 126 294

10 THE COURSES

10.1 Windward - Leeward courses are to be sailed as described in the Sailing Instructions.

10.2 The target time for racing is **intended to be 40** minutes.

11 SCORING

11.1 Six (6) races are scheduled.

11.2 Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

11.3 When four (4) or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.

11.4 When from five (5) to six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

11.5 All Division prizes shall be awarded based on the ranking of competitors in the overall results.

12 CHANGE OF CREW AND EQUIPMENT

12.1 No changes to helmsman shall be accepted after close of entries

12.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment shall not be allowed unless authorised in writing by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Race Committee in writing at the first reasonable opportunity and the damaged equipment and its replacement shall be submitted for inspection. This does not affect the masts and sails in Clause 6.2.

13 RADIO COMMUNICATION

13.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions while racing and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

14 SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats shall register at the race office during the registration period. Support Personnel shall keep to leeward and more than 50 metres clear of any competitor or mark of the course from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment, except when asked to assist by the Race Committee. Failure to comply may result in protest of boats associated with the infringing vessel.

15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors shall accept that their participation in this Regatta is at their sole exclusive risk in every respect.

Entry to the Regatta shall indemnify DBYC, IFAA their officers, members, servants and agents in respect of all claims and demands of whatever nature which may be made upon them in connection with or who so ever arising from their participation or intended participation in the Regatta.

Competitor's attention is drawn to ISAF Fundamental Rule 4. "DECISION TO RACE - The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

16 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5million (recommended \$10million) AUD per incident.

17 RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

In participating in this event, a competitor automatically grants the Organising Authority and the event sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him / her during the period of competition for the said event in which the competitor participates and in material related to the said event without compensation.
End

Appendix A

