



NOTICE OF RACE
Mixed Fleet Regatta 2024
International Dragons - Charles Stephenson Trophy
International Etchells – East Gippsland Championship
and Mixed Fleet

9th to 10th March 2024

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The Metung Yacht Club (MYC), as the Organising Authority, in conjunction with the Metung International Dragon and Etchells Fleets, will conduct the One Design Regatta on the waters of Gippsland Lakes

1. RULES

- 1.1 The Event will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) published by World Sailing and Australian Sailing Prescriptions.
- 1.2 [DP] The International Dragon Association rules and the Equipment Rules of Sailing (except as modified by the Class Rules) shall apply.
- 1.3 Boats must comply with the Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 1 Category 7 requirements and carry all Safety Equipment specified in NOR Appendix A.
- 1.4 In the event of conflict between any of the rules or regulations, other than RRS, the Sailing Instructions will prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.
- 1.5 All crew shall wear a lifejacket complying with Type 1 or Type 2 standard at all times while afloat except briefly while adjusting clothing.
- 1.6 [DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the protest committee. This changes RRS 64.2
- 1.7 [SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty will be applied by Race Committee or Technical Committee without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and RRS A5.1
- 1.8 [NP] denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 1.9 [DP] A boat's compliance with the Australian Sailing Special Regulations may be checked at any time by the Organising Authority after registration including whilst on the water and before and after racing.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board prior to 1000hrs 7/3/24.

3 RADIO AND PHONE COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online Official Notice Board (ONB) is located at [Notice Board](#)
- 3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry an operating marine band VHF receiver capable of receiving and transmitting Marine VHF channels. The radio shall be switched on at all times and tuned to the correct race committee frequency.
- 3.3 Boats shall use the radio to report retirement from racing and may use the radio to request assistance in an emergency. Unless otherwise requested by the Race Committee, a boat shall not initiate transmissions of any nature from the first warning signal of the day until the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the Race Committee signalled "no more racing today".
- 3.4 The Race Committee may use VHF radio to advise competitors of general matters relating to the racing. Any failure of, or defect in such a broadcast, will not be grounds for redress.
- 3.5 The use of mobile/cell phones or any device capable of sending and/or receiving external electronic communication and/or connecting to the internet is prohibited while racing,

except in an emergency threatening the safety of any member of the crew or the flotation of the boat.

- 3.6 In addition to the information published on the official website and to assist competitors and others, the Race Committee may publish information to a mobile telephone number using "What's App". Any interested party may join this Whatsapp chat via self-registering using this link: [WhatsApp Sailor Information Link](#) This chat site is purely for regatta officials to share information, and other parties shall not send messages on this chat.

4 ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 4.1 All Competitors shall comply with the International Dragon Class Rules, or International Etchells Class Rules, or their relevant Class Rules, with the exception that there will be no crew weight limit.
- 4.2 Lodgement of required documentation shall be made by emailing [Bev Winter](#) and advising Boat name, Class, and names of all crew on board as well as an AS Special Regulation Category 7 Safety Compliance Certificate and required insurance documentation (except for boats that submitted the same documentation for the MYC PPC and Etchells VIC State Championships held in January 2024, or with their MYC 2023/2024 race entry documents). Payment of the applicable Entry Fee will be made after being invoiced and prior to 3rd March 2024.
- 4.4 Entries close at 1700hrs on Friday 1st March 2024. Late entries will be not accepted.
- 4.5 All competitors shall have an active AS Number, and shall apply for a [MYC SailPass](#) if not a financial member of an Australian Sailing affiliated yacht club.

5 [NP] [DP] REGISTRATION & MEASUREMENT

- 5.1 All boats shall present if requested a current Measurement Certificate.
- 5.2 Crew Substitution: Requests for substitution of crew members shall be made in writing and will be considered by the Race Committee. Requests shall set out the reason, and detail the crew to be substituted and the days on which the substituted crew will be sailing.

6 FEES

- 6.1 Event entry fee is \$100 (Inc. GST) for boats that didn't participate in the 2024 PPC or VIC Etchells State Championships.

7. SCHEDULE

Day	Event	Time
Friday 8 th March	Informal Drinks	From 1630
Saturday 9 th March	Competitor Briefing	1030
Saturday 9 th March	Fleet Racing	1st Warning 1255
Sunday 10 th March	Fleet Racing	1st Warning 1155
Sunday 10 th March	Presentation Ceremony	After Racing

- 7.1 A maximum of 6 races will be conducted.

7.2 No Warning Signal will be made after 1500hrs on the last scheduled day of racing.

8 COURSES

- 8.1 Courses shall be windward/leeward (for Etchells and Dragons) and triangular (for mixed fleet) as described in the Sailing Instructions.
- 8.2 The racing area will be on Lake King in the vicinity of Tambo Bluff, Raymond Island and the mouth of the Tambo River.

9 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1 The penalty for breaking a rule of Part 2 shall be a One Turn Penalty. This changes RRS 44.1
- 9.2 RRS Appendix T "Arbitration" will apply.

10 SCORING

- 10.1 One (1) race is required to constitute a series.
- 10.2 When four or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

11 SUPPORT BOATS

- 11.1 All coaches and support boats shall register their details with the Organising Authority at registration. Boats will be supplied with a number to be displayed at all times throughout the Regatta. Note: Should coach or support vessels require berthing facilities throughout the Regatta, booking should be made with the MYC Regatta Office prior to registration.
- 11.2 [DP] Coaches and other support personnel shall stay no closer than 100m to any racing boat or race committee vessel or mark of the course from the time of the first Prep Signal of the day until racing has been concluded for the day.
- 11.3 [DP] Competitors shall have no communication with, and boats shall not be tied to, coach or support boats from the first warning signal each race day until racing has been concluded for the day.
- 11.4 [DP] Between races, coach and support boats shall not approach, communicate or transfer provisions or equipment with their supported boats unless in a medical emergency threatening the safety of the crew or flotation of the boat and only with the express permission of the Race Committee.

12 [NP] BERTHING & TRAILER PARKING

- 12.1 Visiting boats shall be allocated berthing prior to the event and shall remain in their allocated berths for the duration of the Regatta.
- 12.2 Trailer parking shall be as shown in this NOR.
- 12.3 There is rigging room at the rear of MYC and on the hardstand, however boats must be launched after rigging and trailers relocated to the above trailer parking area. Only trailers belonging to boats with a licenced MYC Carpark berth may remain in the carpark. No visiting boats on trailers are allowed to remain on the hardstand.

13 [NP] HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 13.1 All boats shall be afloat before 1130hrs on Saturday 9 March 2024.
- 13.2 As a courtesy, local boats residing on hardstand jinkers shall allow visiting boats to be hauled out first at the completion of the event.

14 PRIZES FOR DRAGONS

- 14.1 The Rob Trenberth Trophy and The Charles Stephenson Trophy will be awarded to the winner of the fleet racing series.
- 14.2 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

15 PRIZES FOR ETCHELLS

- 15.1 The East Gippsland Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner.
- 15.2 The Rex Billings Trophy for winner of Heat 1.
- 15.3 The Barry Ravell Trophy for winner of Heat 2.
- 15.4 The Dave Lawrence Trophy for winner of Heat 3.
- 15.5 The Wayne (RAT) Dixon Trophy for winner of Heat 4
- 15.6 The Alan Sandy Trophy for winner of Heat 5.
- 15.7 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

16 PRIZES FOR MIXED FLEET

- 16.1 A prize will be awarded to the winner of the fleet racing series, using the MYC "Non-CCH Handicap system".
- 16.2 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 17.1 Competitors' attention is drawn to RRS 3 – Decision to Race.
- 17.2 It is the competitor's decision to enter the Event or to start and continue in any race. Competitors shall accept that their participation in the Event is at their exclusive risk in every respect. By way of entry in the Event competitors must indemnify the Organising Authority, their officers, members, staff and agents in respect to all claims and demands of whatever nature which may be made upon them in connection with or howsoever arising from their participation or intended participation in the Event.
- 17.3 The Organising Authority, their officers, members, staff and agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of their participation or intended participation in the Event or howsoever arising in connection with the Event.
- 17.4 All those taking part in these races are reminded of their obligations as set out in the AS Special Regulations clause 1.02 Responsibility of the Person in Charge.

18 INSURANCE

- 18.1 Each participating boat must be insured with current third party property insurance cover and a valid third party Personal Liability Insurance cover of not less than AUD\$10,000,000 (10 million dollars) for any one claim event in Australia.
- 18.2 All owners/competitors shall upload a copy of their Certificate of Currency during the online entry process.
- 18.3 Each Skipper and/or Co-Skipper is liable for any third party property and personal injury claims.

19 MEDIA RIGHTS

- 19.1 By lodging an entry, all competitors, including owners, give absolute right and permission for any photographs and/or video footage of their boat and crew to be published in any media stream for editorial, publicity or advertising purposes.

20 FURTHER INFORMATION

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APPENDIX A - Safety Equipment

<i>Equipment Description</i>	<i>Class Rules</i>	<i>AS Cat 7</i>	<i>Required for Event</i>
PFD for each crew member as per NOR 1.5	-	Yes	Yes
Manual bilge pump, at least 1	Yes	Yes	Yes
Anchor, chain and warp	Yes	Yes	Yes
Buckets with lanyards	2	Yes	Yes
Tow rope, 25-30m not less than 10mm	-	-	Yes
2 paddles 1200mm long	Yes	Yes	Yes
Flashlight or signalling device	Optional	Yes	Yes
Flares (Not applicable for interstate registered boats)	Optional	Yes	Yes
Heaving line, throwing device	Optional	-	Recommended
Sound signalling device	Optional	-	Recommended
Medical kit	Optional	Yes	Yes
VHF Radio (water resistant with lanyard)	Optional	-	Yes
Knife, sheaved and secured in or near cockpit	Optional	Yes	Yes
V Sheet	Optional	-	Recommended
Drinking Water (sufficient for all crew)	-	-	Yes

Note: For full descriptions of the equipment required, refer to the respective Class Rules and the Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 1.