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The Skate Association of Australia present

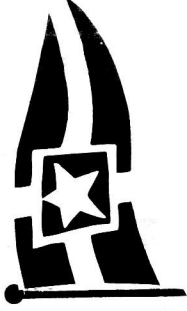
# The 36th AUSTRALIAN SKATE CHAMPIONSHIPS



**GERALDTON YACHT CLUB  
WESTERN AUSTRALIA**



26th December 1992 to 6th January 1993



## GERALDTON YACHT CLUB Inc

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you to the Geraldton Yacht Club for your National Titles Championships event.

Over the years, Skate Sailors have often joined us here in Geraldton to compete in our Regattas. Their support and keen competition has always added to the success of these events.

This time we look forward to meeting not only on our State competitors but also interstate competitors.

With this level of enthusiasm, there is no doubt that the Skate Association is alive and well.

We have set up a social programme in conjunction with the competition and trust that you will enjoy your stay in Geraldton over the festive season.

We at the Club wish you all the best of good sailing and the compliments of the season.

Bob Dutch  
COMMODORE

## AUSTRALIAN SKATE CHAMPIONS

1957-58	Classic	(NSW)	R. Young	J. Barter	St Georges NSW
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1959-60	Venom	(WA)	L. Chivers	K. Court	Nedlands WA
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1961-62	O'LAY	(NSW)	J. Gettems	K. Cole	Nedlands WA
1962-63	O'LAY	(NSW)	J. Gettems	K. Cole	Yarra NSW
1963-64	Venom	(WA)	L. Chivers	K. Court	Nedlands WA
1964-65	Valour	(WA)	N. Head	K. Court	St. Georges NSW
1965-66	Valour	(WA)	N. Head	T. Bailey	Nedlands WA
1966-67	Echo	(NSW)	W. Wood	B. Graves	Chelsea VIC
1967-68	Fury	(NSW)	D. Jeffkins	D. McEarny	Speers Pt. NSW
1968-69	Bitsa	(NSW)	B. Pefke	F. McBrath	Nedlands WA
1969-70	Peta	(NSW)	R. Lowndes	L. Donovan	Chelsea VIC
1970-71	Joe Blo	(NSW)	D. Jeffkins	P. Jeffkins	Yarra NSW
1971-72	Joe Blo	(NSW)	D. Jeffkins	P. Jeffkins	Nedlands WA
1972-73	Kenny Penny	(NSW)	P. Reilly	D. McEarny	Gosford NSW
1973-74	Vengeance	(VIC)	J. Mansfield	P. Bainbridge	Chelsea VIC
1974-75	Traction	(NSW)	R. Simpson	W. Gosper	Bunbury WA
1975-76	La Tache	(VIC)	J. Mansfield	P. Bainbridge	Speers Pt NSW
1976-77	Ratcatcher	(VIC)	K. Clarke	B. Clarke	Chelsea VIC
1977-78	Traction	(NSW)	R. Simpson	T. Green	Sth Perth WA
1978-79	Get It Up	(WA)	C. Caporn	W. Whettters	Yarra NSW
1979-80	Vickell	(NSW)	N. Ryan	J. Brooks	St. Leon's VIC
1980-81	Lido	(NSW)	R. Longbottom	C. McKenzie	Fremantle WA
1981-82	Lido	(NSW)	R. Longbottom	C. McKenzie	Teralba NSW
1982-83	Attraction	(NSW)	P. Winney	B. Hollis	Ceduna SA
1983-84	Rawgideous	(NSW)	S. Leonard	B. Hollis	Albany WA
1984-85	Hawkwind	(NSW)	R. Natrass	D. Reid	Belmont NSW
1985-86	Guess Wot	(NSW)	G. Hughes	M. Patterson	Ceduna SA
1986-87	Aussie One	(NSW)	A. Searl	N. Simpson	Sth Perth WA
1987-88	Motivation	(NSW)	P. Winney	D. Reid	St Georges NSW
1988-89	Wot Next	(NSW)	G. Hughes	M. Patterson	Brighton SA
1989-90	The Red Boat	(NSW)	D. Jacobson	S. Shaw	East Frem WA
1990-91	Wot Next	(NSW)	G. Paterson	J. Gilham	Teralba NSW
1991-92	Fornacape	(WA)	G. Caporn	M. Forbes	Brighton SA

## 36th AUSTRALIAN SKATE CHAMPIONSHIPS 1992/93

The Geraldton Yacht Club (GYC) in conjunction with the Skate Sailing Association of Western Australia (SSAWA) will conduct the Championship Series off Geraldton Yacht Club on behalf of the Skate Sailing Association of Australia (SSAA) under the authority of the Yachting Association of Western Australia (YAWA) and the Australian Yachting Federation (AYF).

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

#### 1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the 1989-93 International Yacht Racing Rules, the Prescriptions of the Australian Yachting Federation, the Constitution of the Skate Sailing Association of Australia, and these Sailing Instructions.

1.2 Attention of competitors is drawn to Fundamental Rule B which states: "It shall be the sole responsibility of each yacht to decide whether or not to start or continue to race."

1.3 The GYC/SSAWA is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a yacht whose entry is accepted, or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.

1.4 The GYC/SSAWA reserves the right to refuse an entry.

#### 2. CATEGORY OF EVENT

This event is a Category A event, and a yacht and her crew shall compete in conformity with Appendix 14, Category A.

#### 3. REGISTRATION

3.1 Eligible yachts which have completed entry on the prescribed form may be entered by completing registration and measurement with the Geraldton Yacht Club as nominated in the Notice of Race.

3.2 Requests for crew changes must be in writing to the Race Committee.

#### 4. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

Notices will be posted on the official Regatta Notice Board located inside the Geraldton Yacht Club.

**5. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 5.1 The Race Control Office will be located inside the Geraldton Yacht Club.
- 5.2 Any alterations to these Sailing Instructions will be displayed on the Regatta Notice Board before 1200 hours on the day it will take effect for the afternoon races, or at least one hour prior to the start of morning races, except that any change to the Schedule of Races will be posted by 1800 hours on the day before it takes effect.

**6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 6.1 The shore signal mast is located at the top of the stairs on the western side of the Geraldton Yacht Club.
- 6.2 Code Flag L displayed and one sound signal made means that a Notice to Competitors has been posted on the Regatta Notice Board. Code Flag L will remain displayed for at least one hour.
- 6.3 Code Flag AP (Answering Pennant) and two sound signals made means that the start time is postponed for one hour. Code Flag AP will be lowered one hour before the new start time.
- 6.4 Code Flag N and three sound signals made, means that the next scheduled race is abandoned. Code Flag N will remain flying for at least one hour.

**7. SCHEDULE OF RACES AND PROGRAMME**

December	26	Measuring	1300-1800 hours
	27	Invitation Race	1330 (Start Signal)
	28	Heat 1	1330 (Start Signal)
	29	Lay Day	
	30	Heat 2	1330 (Start Signal)
	31	Heat 3	1330 (Start Signal)
January	1	Lay Day	
	2	Heat 4	1330 (Start Signal)
	3	Resail	1000 (Start Signal)
		Heat 5	1330 (Start Signal)
	4	Lay Day	
	5	Resail	1000 (Start Signal)
		Heat 6	1330 (Start Signal)
	6	Heat 7	1000 (Start Signal)
		Resail	1330 (Start Signal)
		Presentations	1900

**8. BRIEFING**

There will be a briefing for all competitors on Sunday 27 December at 1000 hours inside the Geraldton Yacht Club.

**9. CLASS FLAG**

The Class Flag will be the Skate emblem.

**10. RACING AREA**

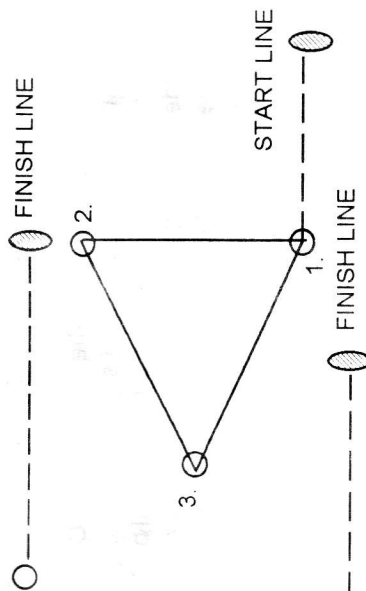
An Olympic type course will be laid off the Geraldton Yacht Club as shown in the diagram below.

**11. THE COURSE**

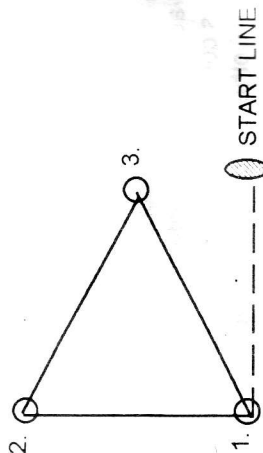
11.1 The course will be set for each race according to the wind direction by laying three marks shown as 1, 2, and 3 on the diagram, plus a start and finish line as shown on the diagram. The first leg of the course will be set to windward.

11.2 The course will be sailed from the Start Line to 2 - 3 - 1 - 2 - 1 - 2 - 3 - 1 to the Finish Line, a distance of approximately 16km.

RED COURSE



GREEN COURSE



## 12. COURSE SIGNALS

- 12.1 The course to be sailed will be signalled by displaying a flag on the Committee Vessel.
- 12.2 Red Flag - Leave all marks after the start to PORT.  
Green Flag - Leave all marks after the start to STARBOARD.

## 13. MARKS

- 13.1 Marks 1, 2, and 3 will be orange inflatable buoys, approximately 1.8 metres in diameter.
- 13.2 When any mark is missing, or has shifted and cannot be fairly replaced in its stated position, an official boat will station herself in the approximate position of the original mark, display Code Flag M and make frequent sound signals which mean "round this boat instead of the mark" which it replaces.

## 14. THE START

- 14.1 Races will be started in accordance with the following:  
15 minutes prior to Start the Course Flag will be hoisted.  
10 minutes prior to Start the Class Flag will be hoisted and one sound signal made.
- 5 minutes prior to Start the International Code Flag P and Code Flag I will be hoisted and one sound signal made.

1 minute prior to Start the Code Flag I will be lowered and one sound signal made to indicate the one-minute period of Rule 51.1(c) has begun.  
At the START International Code Flag P, and the Class flag will be lowered and one sound signal made to signify that a Start has been effected.

NOTE: The failure of mistiming of any sound signal shall not constitute grounds for a protest. The visual signal is the only official signal (YRU Rule 4.5).

- 14.2 The Starting line will be between a mast displaying a Blue Flag on the Committee Vessel anchored at the Starboard end of the line and Mark No. 1 at the Port end.

14.3 An inner mark, identified as a white buoy, may be laid approximately 10 metres from the Committee Vessel on, or near the Start Line. This mark must be left on the same hand as the Committee Vessel when starting.  
No yacht shall pass between the inner buoy and the Committee Vessel, unless complying with her obligations under Rules 37.1, 40, and 42.4.

- 14.4 All other signals shall be in accordance with Rule 4.1.

## 15. RECALLS

15.1 Individual recalls will be signalled in accordance with Rule 8.1, except that the Class Flag will be lowered to the dip and one sound signal made. Rule 8.1 is amended accordingly.

15.2 A general recall will be signalled by the hoisting of the "1st SUBSTITUTE" and the making of two sound signals. When the "1st SUBSTITUTE" is lowered, one sound signal will be made. The Class Flag will be hoisted one minute after the "1st SUBSTITUTE" is lowered. The Start Procedure of Sailing Instruction 15 from the 10 minute signal is then followed.

## 16. COURSE SHORTENING

16.1 The Race Committee may shorten the course by finishing a Race at any rounding mark after three (3) legs of the course have been completed.

16.2 A Committee Vessel shall station itself in the vicinity of a mark of the course, raise Code Flag S and make two sound signals.

16.3 Yachts shall finish between the mark of the course and a mast flying Code Flag S over a Blue Flag on the Committee Vessel, keeping the Committee Vessel to Starboard.

## 17. THE FINISH

17.1 The Finishing Line will be between a mast displaying a Blue Flag on the Committee Vessel at the Starboard end of the line, and a red inflatable buoy at the Port end of the line.

17.2 The Finishing Line will be positioned approximately 100 metres beyond Mark 2 of the course. Mark 2 is not a mark of the course for yachts making for the Finish Line.

## 18. TIME LIMIT

The Time Limit for each heat is 3 hours. Yachts finishing more than 30 minutes after the first yacht finishes, or later than 3 1/2 hours after the start time, whichever comes first, will be scored DNF.

## 19. POINT SCORING SYSTEM

The Olympic Scoring System as detailed in 1989-93 IYRU Addendum "A" 1. will be used, and the scores decided over seven (7) heats, of which the best six (6) shall count for total points.

## 20. PENALTIES

The 720 Turns penalty as prescribed in 1989-93 IYRU Appendix 3 will be used. Offending yachts that take the penalty shall, within the protest time, report to the Race Committee the name of the yacht or yachts offended against.

## 21. PROTESTS

21.1 Code Flag B shall be the only Protest Flag. The minimum dimensions of Code Flag B shall be 100mm by 150mm.

21.2 Protests shall be in writing on protest forms available from the Race Control Office, and lodged within one hour of the protestor's finishing time.

21.3 Notice of protests to be heard shall be posted on the Regatta Notice Board not later than one (1) hour after expiry of the lodging deadline. This shall constitute notice to all parties under Rule 72.

## 22. SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

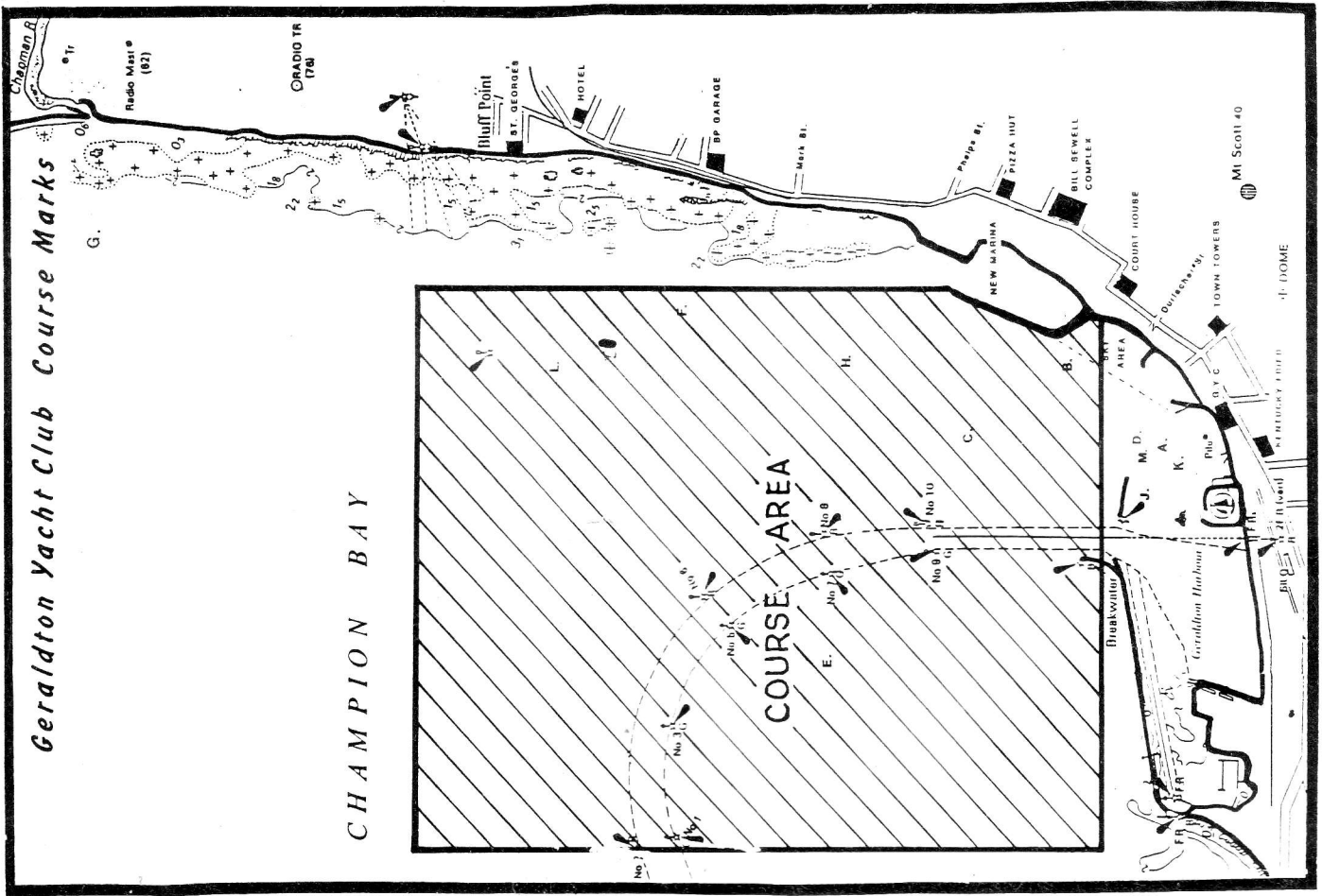
22.1 Any yacht retiring from a race shall immediately inform Race Control on returning to the beach. Failure to do so will result in that yacht scoring points two more than the number of yachts entered in the series. Addendum "A" 1.2 is amended accordingly.

22.2 All yachts shall comply with 1989-93 AYF Safety Regulations as prescribed in Addendum "B" Part 2.

22.3 Safety checks may be carried out at any time by the Race Committee. Refusal to permit a safety check will result in disqualification from either one race or the series at the discretion of the Race Committee.

## 23. COMMITTEE VESSELS

Committee vessels shall be identified by the display of a large GYC Burgee on each vessel.



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