



Notice of Regatta 23rd, 24th, 25th & 26th January 2016

1. INTRODUCTION

The South Gippsland Yacht Club will conduct a Regatta for classic wooden dinghies over the Australia Day Weekend. The Regatta will be for the display and racing of classic wooden dinghies. A youth series will also be conducted over the weekend.

The Regatta is open to classic dinghies with wooden hulls and traditional rigging although spars may be made of materials other than wood. Boats with hull, spar and/or sails of composite materials will not be eligible to enter.

The Regatta is comprised of Invitation Races and a Regatta Race, however visitors can sail in other races held over the weekend if they wish. Sailors that the Regatta Invitation and Main Races and receive an overall place will be eligible for race series awards. Sailors that enter in and receive places in the Regatta Race will be eligible for race awards. Only boats that sail in the Regatta race will be eligible for classic wooden dinghy awards which will be based on the boat's condition and/or history.

A brief history of the boat is to be provided as part of the entry. It will help the public better appreciate your boat if a brief description of the boat on an A4 laminate sheet is attached to the boat when displayed on the beach and in the park.

The South Gippsland Yacht Club will hold a barbeque Saturday evening and visitors are all welcome and Regatta Dinner on Monday evening at which it will announce the Regatta Race winners and winners of awards in the four wooden dinghy categories.

Boats will be displayed in 'The Glade', a park next to the Yacht Club, on Tuesday morning and the public will be invited to participate in scoring the best presented boats to determine the 'People's Choice' award. The Judging panel will determine the best overall boat which will receive the Inverloch and District Lions Club Perpetual Trophy.

The Judges will be selected from people entering boats, members of the South Gippsland Yacht Club and sponsors or ambassadors.

2. ELIGIBILITY

The Regatta is open to Silver and Gold Card members of yacht clubs affiliated with Yachting Australia who will sail a dinghy that complies with these rules.

3. ENTRY FEES

The entry fee for sailors entering boats is as follows:

Adults \$45.00. – polo shirt and additional polo shirts for adult crew \$25.00.

Juniors \$25.00. – free hats and polo shirt with additional polo shirts for junior crew at \$15.00.

4. DINNER BOOKING

The cost for the dinner is \$25.00 per head excluding drinks which will be available from the bar. There is limited availability so early booking is advised.

Entry fee and dinner bookings are to be paid as follows:

Cheques payable to:	SGYC Yacht Club P. O. Box 2 Inverloch 3996
Direct Transfer:	Bendigo Bank A/C Name South Gippsland Yacht Club BSB 633-000 A/C 105612162

Direct Transfer payments are to be confirmed by email to the Treasurer at: dnwarren@bigpond.com and the email is to include the items for which the payment is being made.

Early registrations and payments will assist us to plan catering for the regatta.

Early Registration Prize – RACV Inverloch Resort Accommodation Voucher

Registrations received by the Treasurer before 16 January 2016 will go in the draw for a RACV Inverloch Resort Inverloch accommodation voucher. The prize will be drawn at the award presentations commencing at 1.00 pm in 'The Glade' on Tuesday 26 January 2016.

Furthest Traveled Prizes – RACV Inverloch Resort Accommodation Vouchers

There will be three prizes; First, Second and Third and each of these will be based on the distance traveled from the home address to Inverloch by a person that attends and registers an eligible classic wooden dinghy participating in the displays and Regatta race. First to Third will be judged by order of distance traveled. The SGYC'S Inverloch Classic Wooden Dinghy Regatta Sub Committee will assess the eligible registrations and announce the winners of the accommodation vouchers at the award presentations commencing at 1.00 pm in 'The Glade' on Tuesday 26 January 2016.

5. RACE AND DINGHY DISPLAY SCHEDULE

Saturday 23 rd January	Registration	from	10.00 am
	Briefing		12.30 am
	Invitation Race 1		1.00 pm
Sunday 24 th January	Briefing		1.00 am
	Invitation Race 2		1.30 pm
Monday 25 th January	Beach display of boats		10.00 am to 2.00 pm
	Briefing		1.00 pm
	Regatta Race (wooden dinghies only)		2.00 pm
Tuesday 26 th January	Transporting boats into 'The Glade' and rigging will commence at		8.30 am.
	Park display of boats and judging from		10.00 am to 1.00 pm
	Final Award announcement commencing		1.00 pm

6. MEASUREMENTS

Measurement is not required.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available from 10.00 am on Saturday 23rd January 2016 at the SGYC Clubhouse and on the SGYC website: www.sgycinverloch.com.au

To be eligible for race and boat awards a boat must be entered to sail and sail unless weather conditions require the race be called off by the Race Officer.

8. REGATTA SITE

Races will be held on the waters of Anderson Inlet, Inverloch.

Display of boats will be on the available beach in front of the clubhouse.

Display and judging of boats will be in 'The Glade', a grassland park near the Yacht Club.

9. COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be a number of equal size loops and marks will be set depending on available water, current, wind direction and weather. The Race Officer will make the final decision on the day.

10. DIVISIONS

There will be one start for all boats, however the Race Officer may decide the number of boats warrants more than one start.

11. HANDICAPS

Modified Yardsticks developed from Yachting Victoria, South Gippsland Yacht Club and historical data and appropriate for a range of classic wooden dinghies sailing constrained courses in Anderson Inlet will be used.

12. RACE SCORING

For boat awards it is only required that the Regatta race be completed. There will be race awards for place getters in the series that includes the Invitation Races and the Regatta Race and for the Regatta Race. The Low point scoring system will apply.

13. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, 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.

14. PRIZES

Sailing Awards - for sailors

Classic Wooden Dinghy Race Awards

Mini Series – Invitation Races 1 & 2 and Regatta Race - *First, Ronstan Watch*

Regatta Race – *First, Ronstan Watch*

Classic Wooden Dinghy Category Awards - for boat owners

A boat may be awarded in a number of categories but each boat must start in the Regatta Race to be eligible.

The awards for boat owners to be decided by the panel of judges will be as follows:

Best Dinghy in Original Condition – (may be a dinghy of historic significance either first of type, race history or sailor)

First, [Awarded a medal/plaque – *Inverloch & District Rotary Club*]
[Awarded – *Dimension bag and Ronstan Watch*]

Best Presented Dinghy – (best in show)

First, [Awarded a medal/plaque – *Inverloch & District Rotary Club*]
[Awarded – *Dimension bag and Ronstan Watch*]

Best Presented Sailing Boat – (best in show traditionally built but not of a dinghy class)

First, [Awarded a medal/plaque – *Inverloch & District Rotary Club*]
[Awarded – *Dimension bag and Ronstan Watch*]

Best Moth in Original or Restored Condition

First, [Awarded a medal/plaque – *Inverloch & District Rotary Club*]
[Awarded – *Dimension bag and Ronstan Watch*]

The presentation of Category Awards will take place at the regatta dinner on Sunday evening.

Peoples' Choice – (selected by judges tally of Ribbons)
[Awarded a Ronstan Watch]

Best Overall Boat – (selected by the judges from the above categories)
[Awarded the Inverloch & District Lions Club Perpetual Trophy]

Youth Trophy – *[Inverloch Rotary Club]*
[Best Junior Classic Wooden Dinghy sailor in the Regatta]
[Awarded the perpetual trophy and a Ronstan watch]

The Inverloch and District Lions Club Perpetual trophy for the Best Overall Boat, the 'People's Choice' and the Inverloch Rotary Club Youth Trophy for Best Junior Classic Wooden Dinghy Sailor will be awarded in 'The Glade' on Tuesday 26th at 1.00 pm.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. Attention is drawn to Rule 4. Decision to Race.

The South Gippsland Yacht Club Inc., its Officers, members and volunteers will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, or during or after the Regatta.

16. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000

17. INFORMATION

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