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## Policies and Procedures

Title: **Champions' Support Policy**  
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### 1. Aim of the Champions' Support Policy

Through the adoption of this policy, Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron ("BYS") aims to assist eligible Club Members to participate in significant international sailing regattas.

### 2. Background

The General Committee and BYS Members appreciate that support from the membership for a BYS sailor to participate in a significant international event is an important strategy for the Club.

Members in receipt of support feel encouraged and strengthened by the gesture of help afforded by the Club. Although the monetary contribution may not be large, being presented with apparel or other items bearing the logo of BYS makes the recipient proud to be a representative of the Club.

### 3. Support criteria

#### 3.1 Significant international sailing regatta

Support shall only be granted for participation in a significant international sailing regatta.

The General Committee shall have discretion in determining what constitutes a significant international sailing regatta.

A significant international sailing regatta need not be conducted overseas.

#### 3.2 Application for support

An application for support must be in writing addressed to the Club, signed by the applicant and provide the following minimum information:

- details of the international sailing regatta (eg: location, date, sailing class);
- what the applicant believes their performance at the regatta will be;
- the applicant's membership status at BYS;
- details of the applicant's involvement in BYS sailing and other activities during the period of 24 months prior to making the application; and
- an outline of the contribution the applicant will agree to make to BYS upon being granted support.

The Boating Committee shall consider all applications and make a recommendation to the General Committee.

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### 3.3 Selection criteria

In considering whether to make an recommendation to the General Committee to support the applicant, the Boating Committee must consider whether the applicant:

- is regularly involved in sailing at BYS;
- has a previously established record of success in the relevant class;
- has a significant national ranking; and
- has previously received support from BYS.

### 3.4 Granting support

The General Committee shall consider the recommendation of the Boating Committee and if support is approved, determine the form of support.

An applicant shall only be eligible for support from BYS to participate in one significant international sailing regatta each year.

### 3.5 Form and level of support

The form of support may include:

- money;
- goods; or
- services,

or any combination of these.

The value of support shall not exceed \$1,000.

### 3.6 Raising support

The General Committee may authorise and suggest fund raising activities to generate support for the applicant to participate in the significant international sailing regatta.

Fund raising activities will be undertaken with the active participation of the applicant.

All funds raised shall be forwarded to the applicant.

### 3.7 Applicant's commitment to BYS

Any Club Member in receipt of support under this Policy must agree to:

- assist in the BYS sail training program to impart their skills and knowledge and share their experiences gained from participating in a significant international sailing regatta; and
- undertake the contributions outlined in the application for support.

## 4. Implementation

This Policy will be implemented by BYS and reviewed on an annual basis. Members will be notified of successful applications for support through articles published in Southern Sails.

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