



BLAIRGOWRIE YACHT SQUADRON

**NOTICE OF RACE**  
**BYS FINN Winter Regatta 2026**  
**04-05 July 2026**  
**Blairgowrie, Australia**



The Organising Authority (OA) is the Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron (BYS).

## 1 Rules

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* ('RRS').
- 1.2 The Australian Sailing Special Regulations Part 2 for Off the Beach Boats shall apply.
- 1.3 Appendix T, Arbitration of RRS will apply.
- 1.4 Rule 44.1 and Appendix P2.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.
- 1.5 International Finn Association (IFA) Class Rule C.1.1 (a) shall apply. The Race Committee will display Code Flag Oscar (O) to signal rule C1.1 is in effect.

## 2 Sailing Instructions

- 2.1 Sailing Instructions will be available on the official notice board after 17:00 on Thursday 02 July 2026.

## 3 Communication

- 3.1 The official notice board (ONB) is located at: <https://sailingresults.net/sa/notice/?ID=82413> and can be found on the regatta page of the OA's website: <https://bys.asn.au/international-contender-vic-championships-2026/https://bys.asn.au/bys-finn-winter-regatta-2026/>
- 3.2 Amendments to this NOR or the SIs will be posted on the official notice board.
- 3.3 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

## 4 Eligibility, Entry & Fees

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats in the FINN class.
- 4.2 Skippers must be a current financial member of a club affiliated with Australian Sailing or hold a valid BYS Sail Pass for the regatta dates. Sail Pass applications shall be submitted at: <https://www.revolutionise.com.au/bys/rego/start?membership=523585>
- 4.3 The regatta entry fee is \$60. Regatta entry closes at 5pm on 03 July 2026.
- 4.4 The online entry shall be submitted at: <https://sailingresults.net/entry/default.aspx?ID=9869218>

## 5 Schedule

<b>Saturday 04 July</b>	Registration	10:45 – 11:00
	Competitors' briefing	11:00
	Race session warning, 3+ races	12:55
<b>Sunday 05 July</b>	Race session warning, 3+ races	10:55
	Presentation	ASAP after last race

- 5.1 No warning signal will be made after 15:30 on Sunday 05 July.

## 6 Venue

- 6.1 The racing area shall be on Port Phillip in the vicinity of Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron ('BYS').

## 7 Courses

- 7.1 The courses will be windward-leeward as described in the SIs.

## 8 Scoring

- 8.1 Six (6) races are scheduled of which three (3) are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 8.2 When fewer than three races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

8.3 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.

## 9 Prizes

9.1 Prizes may be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places overall.

## 10 Berthing

10.1 Boats and trailers are left at BYS and surrounding beach area, and any designated trailer park, at the owner's risk.

## 11 Risk Statement

11.1 RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race 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.**

11.2 All those taking part in these races are reminded of their obligations as set out in the Australian Sailing Special Regulations clause 1.02 'Responsibility of the Person in Charge.' The safety of a boat and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the person in charge who must do their best to ensure that the boat is structurally sound, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by a crew who are physically fit to face the expected conditions. The owner and the person in charge must be satisfied as to the soundness of hull, spars, rigging, sails, and all gear. The owner and the person in charge must ensure that all safety equipment is properly maintained and stowed and that the crew knows how to use it.

## 12 Insurance

12.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of AUD \$10,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

## 13 Rights to use name and likeness

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

## 14 Further Information

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