



## BLAIRGOWRIE YACHT SQUADRON

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### **Welcome to Guests**

BYS's Mission is to be a progressive, friendly club that brings together families, friends and community to promote sailing and associated activities. A core value is having a friendly club environment for members and guests.

Guests are welcome, but within certain restrictions imposed by the BYS Rules and Victorian Licensing Regulations.

#### **Guests accompanied by a member**

Guests attending with a BYS member are welcome. Members are responsible for their guests including their behaviour and compliance with rules.

BYS is a fully licensed club, and under Victoria's Licensing Rules all guests must be signed in every time. We are obliged to keep a record of all guests.

BYS Rules restrict guests to up to 12 visits per annum (six in the period May-October and six from November-April), after which they are encouraged to join as a member in one of the categories suited to their circumstances. This applies to all guests, including the spouse or partner, and immediate family of a member.

Many guests are automatically treated as honorary members under the BYS Rules.

Honorary members include any person and one accompanying person, who is:

1. attending a function
2. sailing or officiating in an event
3. skipper or crew of a boat temporarily berthed in the marina
4. a member of a reciprocal club.

Honorary members also normally include sponsors and people on official government business, and permanent staff.

From Boxing Day until 1st February, a member can invite a maximum of ten (10) guests at any one time. This includes dining in all areas of the Clubhouse as well as having a social beverage with family and friends on the deck.

#### **What guests must do**

Any guest who wishes to enjoy the club facilities on the upper level including the deck, or consume alcohol on the ground level, must be signed in as a guest by a current member for licensing purposes. There are machines located in the foyer and at each bar upstairs that enable guests to register easily by inserting their driver's licence. If a guest does not have a driver's licence, they can sign in the book located at the bar.

A guest must retain and display their proof of having signed in.

A guest must comply with the normal Rules and By-Laws that relate to members.

### **What guests cannot do**

A guest accompanied by a member, including an honorary member, has the same privileges as a member, except they cannot:

1. sign another person in, for licencing purposes
2. have or use an access card to the club premises
3. over the peak January period, make a booking in the Bistro
4. park in the car park
5. purchase alcohol that is not for consumption on the premises. Members can buy takeaway alcohol for off-premises, or in marina consumption.
6. sail in more than twelve races per annum; after that they should apply to become a full member

### **Rules for both members and guests**

1. No smoking at any time anywhere on the site including the grass and in the building
2. No dogs at any time anywhere.
3. BYO alcohol is not allowed on the licensed premises.
4. No sailing gear on the deck or upstairs. Dress standards in the club bar and lounges precludes beach or sailing gear and requires shirts and appropriate footwear.

(Note: a sailing club tradition requires someone wearing a hat in the bar to shout the bar if a bell is rung.)

5. Mobile phone calls should be conducted with courtesy.

### **Other important constraints of our license**

1. Only alcohol purchased from the club may be consumed within the club building perimeter (the red line area).

### **Questions**

If you have questions, please consult the General Manager or a member of the Executive Committee, who will be able to explain the Licensing regulations and our Rules and By-Laws.

Thank you and Welcome.

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