



**2015 Goodall Design Viper State Championships
2015 Victorian Taipan Championships**

**In association with Westernport Yacht Club
Notice of Race 7-8-9 March 2015**

1 RULES

- 1.1** The event will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2** The YA Addendum A and YA Special Regulations Part 2 will apply.
- 1.3** The Equipment of Sailing Rules will apply.
- 1.4** The Championship Rules of the Taipan Catamaran Association of Australia (TCAA) will apply to Taipan entrants.
- 1.5** Racing rule(s) will be changed as follows:
- Rule 32.2, Shortened course definition,
- Rule 26, Starting races.
The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.6** If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1** Advertising will be restricted to Category A.
- 2.2** Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY:

- 3.1** The Series is open to all Taipan catamarans and Viper catamarans that are registered with and entered by financial members of the TCAA or the Australasian Viper Class Association (AVCA).
- 3.2** Eligible boats are entered & signed on by:
- **Entries will be accepted online (Vipers) or by submitting an entry form (Taipans)**
 - Taipan entrants may pay online but must complete and submit the attached entry form to the TCAA Secretary (either prior to, or at, registration).
 - Viper entries, go to <http://www.trybooking.com/119069>
 - Taipan payments can be made by cash, cheque (made out to "Taipan Catamaran Association of Australia") or credit card. For credit card payments, go to <http://www.trybooking.com/GVSW> or <http://www.trybooking.com/120142>
 - Online entries (TryBooking) close on Tuesday 3rd of March at 10pm.
 - Late entries will be accepted until 11.00am Saturday 7th of March.
 - Signing on and off each day on the designated sign on/off sheet.
- 3.3** Taipan 5.7 competitors are required to nominate a sail configuration, to be fixed for the entire regatta, on the Entry Form. Taipan 5.7 boats which nominate to carry a spinnaker will be handicapped relative to those Taipan 5.7 competitors who do not so nominate, regardless of whether a spinnaker is actually used at any time during the regatta. This handicap will be applied in accordance with current VYC yardsticks.
- 3.4** The Organising Authority reserves the right to combine classes with less than 5 entries in the same Division.

4 FEES

- 4.1** **An EARLY entry fee DISCOUNT of \$20 will apply to all entries/payments made before 10.00pm on 3rd March.** Entry fees are as follows:

4.2 Taipan:

Discounted entry fee if paid by 10.00pm on 3rd March - \$130 (or \$170 with TCAA membership).

Late entry fee if received after 10.00pm on 3rd March - \$150 (or \$190 with TCAA membership).

(Note: TCAA membership current if paid at Tanilba Bay Nationals).

4.3 Viper:

Discounted Entry fee via on line booking - \$185.00.

Late Entry - \$205.00

5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1** The schedule is flexible to allow for unfavourable weather and provides for 4 sessions of up to 4 races in each session. Details will be displayed on the official notice board in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.
- 5.2** The Race Committee will aim for races of 40 minutes duration.
- 5.3** The Vipers will aim for a series of at least 12 races.
The Taipans will aim for a series of at least 8 races.
- 5.4** Session times are as follows:

Day	Date	Event	Time	First warning signal	Latest warning signal	Taipans	Vipers
Saturday	7-Mar-15	Registration	1000 – 1100				
		Briefing	1130 hrs				
		Session 1		1330 hrs	1630 hrs	2+ races*	Up to 4 races
Sunday	8-Mar-15	Session 2		1030 hrs		2 races	Up to 4 races
		Session 3		1430 hrs	1630 hrs	2 races	Up to 4 races
Monday	9-Mar-15	Session 4		1030 hrs	1430 hrs	2+ races**	Up to 4 races
		Presentation	After racing				

* More races if weather forecast for Sunday and/or Monday unfavourable
** More races if needed to achieve a series

6 MEASUREMENTS

- 6.1** Boats shall comply with the measurement requirements of their class and must be able to produce a valid measurement certificate at the request of the Race Officer.
- 6.2** A boat may be inspected for compliance with its respective Class Rules and the Sailing Instructions at any time during the regatta, at the discretion of the race committee.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available at registration on 7 March 2015. A copy can be obtained by request to the Race Office (tower).

8 VENUE

The races will be conducted off Balnarring Beach in the waters of Westernport Bay. Courses will be outside the reef system surrounding Balnarring Beach in open waters.

9 THE COURSES

The course to be sailed will be defined in the Sailing Instructions.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

For the multihull class (es) rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

11 SCORING

11.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.

11.2 4 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

- 11.3**
- a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - b) When five to eight races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - c) When nine or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

12 SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats shall clearly identify themselves with the Race Officer prior to entering the course area.

13 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

14 PRIZES

Prizes will be given at the discretion of the TCAA and VICA Committees.

15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. **See Rule 4, Decision to Race.** The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

16 INSURANCE

16.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$5,000,000 (recommended \$10,000,000) per event or the equivalent.

16.2 Competitors may be required to produce evidence of such insurance and any competitor not holding this cover shall withdraw their entry (and forfeit all of their entry fee).

17 FURTHER INFORMATION

Accommodation

Those wishing to camp; contact the ranger at www.balnarring.net. Reserve C is the section closest to the Yacht Club. Availability may be limited.

If you are considering renting a house try www.Stayz.com.au for holiday house rentals in the surrounding area. Or try www.homeaway.com.au

Balnarring Village Motor Inn's details are; www.balmotel.com.au

Lunches

On Sunday the 8th and Monday the 9th, lunches for competitors will be available from the canteen. Lunches will be freshly made salad and cold meat rolls, these will be pre ordered before leaving the beach for the AM races. And will be ready when you return.

Dinner

WYC will be hosting a welcome dinner for all sailor's families and friends on the Saturday night. Cost is \$25.00 per head for adults and \$15.00 per head for children. Drinks at Bar prices. Booking is essential. Booking and payment is in advance via TryBooking or at registration.

Yard Access

The WYC yard will be open from 2.00PM on Friday 6th March for those wishing to unload and rig on Friday afternoon. Please remove cars from the yard as soon as practical.

Queries

Taipan Association – Jamie Chritensen jamie313@hotmail.com or 0418 993 853

Viper Association - Mark Stichbury-Cooper mark@racmar.com.au

Westernport Yacht Club – Andrew Hill Andrewhill@live.com.au 0409 252 332

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ENTRY FORM

Skipper		Crew									
Name:		Name:									
Age: AYF Member No.		Age: AYF Member No.									
Address:		Address:									
Postcode:		Postcode:									
E-mail:		E-mail:									
Phone:		Phone:									
Club:		Club:									
<p>I/we agree to be bound by the RRS and all other rules that govern this event. I/We acknowledge that none of the WYC or TCAA, nor their respective members, officers and sponsors and all others involved in the management and conduct of this regatta, shall be liable for any loss of life or injury, or for any loss of property or damage thereto, whatsoever or howsoever occurring, arising from participation in this event. I confirm that my crew is aware of these undertakings.</p> <p>I further confirm that my boat is covered by Third Party Liability Insurance in accordance with item 16.1 of the Notice of Race.</p>											
Signature:		Signature:									
<i>Skipper</i>		<i>Crew</i>									
Date:		Date:									
<p>Entrants Under 18 years of age</p> <p>As the parent/guardian of the above named skipper/crew. I hereby consent to his/her participation in this event on the terms and conditions as outlined in the Notice of Race.</p>											
Signature:		Signature:									
<i>Parent/guardian -Skipper</i>		<i>Parent/guardian -Crew</i>									
Date:		Date:									
Boat name:			Sail No.:								
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Payment rendered:											
Race Fee (\$130)			\$								
Late Fee if entry paid after 3 March 2015 (\$20)			\$								
Dinner – Sat night:Adults (@ \$25 ea.) Children (@ \$15 ea.)			\$								
TCAA membership fee for 2014/15 (\$40)			\$								
Total			\$								
Method of payment (please tick):											
Cash	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cheque	<input type="checkbox"/>								
TryBooking (credit card)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>								