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SAILBOAT ENGINE LINE UP

| SPECIFICATIONS | 2YM15 | 3YM20 | 3YM30AE | 3JH40 | 4JH45 | 4JH57 | 4JH80 | 4JH110 |
|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| RATED OUTPUTkW(mhp) | 10.0 (14) | 15.3 (21) | 21.3 (29.1) | 29.4 (40) | 33.1 (45) | 41.9 (57) | 58.8 (80) | 80.9 (110) |
| RATED SPEED | 3,600 rpm | 3,600 rpm | 3,200 rpm | 3,000 rpm | 3,000 rpm | 3,000 rpm | 3,200 rpm | 3,200 rpm 4 in- |
| CYLINDERS | 2 in-line | 3 in-line | 3 in-line | 3 in-line | 4 in-line | 4 in-line | 4 in-line | line Common |
| COMBUSTION SYSTEMS | Indirect Injection | Indirect Injection | Indirect Injection | Common Rail | Common Rail | Common Rail | Common Rail | Rail 12V - |
| ALTERNATOR | 12V - 125A | 12V - 125A | 12V - 125A | 12V - 125A | 12V - 125A | 12V - 125A | 12V - 125A | 125A 909 x |
| DIMENSIONS (MM) | 613 x 463 x 600 | 694 x 463 x 600 | 715 x 485 x 545 | 774 x 580 x 632 | 870 x 589 x 627 | 870 x 589 x 627 | 909 x 613 x 675 | 613 x 675 229 |
| DRY WEIGHT (KG) | 103 | 110 | 127 | 192 | 220 | 220 | 229 | E3, EC, R2, S |
| REGULATIONS | E3, EC, R2 | E3, EC, R2 | E3, EC, R2 | E3, EC, R2, S | |

Regulations: E3 - EPA Tier 3, E2 - EPA Tier 2, EC - EPA Commercial, R2 - RCD 2, R1 - RCD 1, S - Solas

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SPECIFICATIONS

| | SDe7 | SDe10 | SDe15 |
|---------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| RATED OUTPUT | 7kW | 10kW 2,700 rpm | 15kW |
| RATED SPEED | 2,700 rpm 2.13 68.7 | 2.13 68.7 758 x 636 | 2,700 rpm 2.13 78.0 |
| GEAR RATIO | 758 x 636 x 424 48V | x 424 48V Lithium-ion LiFePO4 | 793 x 636 x 424 48V |
| DRY WEIGHT KG | Lithium-ion LiFePO4 | ion LiFePO4 | Lithium-ion LiFePO4 |
| DIMENSIONS (MM) | | | |
| NOMINAL VOLTAGE | | | |
| BATTERY TECHNOLOGY | | | |

Note: Battery and propeller are not included in standard delivery



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Welcome to Festival of Sails 2026... the party is back!

If this is your very first Festival of Sails, welcome! And if we are welcoming you back for your second, third or 30th, we are glad to have you back.

As the largest annual keelboat regatta in the southern hemisphere, there is a lot to take in and prepare prior to the start of the event.

We ask that you please read through the following information carefully. If any questions remain unanswered, please reach out to the team at Royal Geelong Yacht Club. Many of the recurring questions we receive each year are easily rectified, but we do appreciate when this is done as early as possible prior to the start of the regatta.

General Regatta Information

- The Online Notice Board for all racing documents, including the Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions, Amendments and Notices is available [here](#).
- Final division allocations for the Passage Rating Series and Passage Spinnaker Series will be available online one week prior to the start of the regatta. These can be [viewed here](#).
- Competitors are reminded of their obligations **for Sail Numbers to comply with RRS Appendix G**, in particular sail numbers and letters shall be of a contrasting colour to that of the sail and easily readable when the sails are set.

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Marina Allocations

Your Berth allocations will be sent to you on or before **Thursday January 22nd 2026**, from the Royal Geelong Yacht Club Marina Office.

Delivery of your boat to RGYC

For those arriving in Geelong **prior to Saturday 24th January 2026**, please contact the RGYC Marina. Trailer and boat storage is extremely limited prior to and during the event and must be pre-arranged.

Launching and Retrieving at RGYC

- Boat launching facilities are limited for Festival of Sails.
- The Marina and event staff will direct you to the appropriate rigging area.
- Please coordinate a crane-in time slot with our Marina team to ensure we have no clashes with our on-site event build and logistics.
- Cadet Sprint Series competitors are advised that launching and retrieval is available from Eastern Beach adjacent to Royal Geelong Yacht Club on a first-come, first-serve basis. Trailer parking is available on public land to the north and west of the Giant Sky Wheel on Eastern Beach.
- Craning out of boats using the RGYC crane must be pre-planned with the Marina Office. Craning of boats may not be possible during the Monday Presentation Party.
- If you require boat ramp access, the preferred launching close to RGYC are at:
 - Limeburner's Point Boat Ramp ([Corio Bay - Geelong Limeburners Point Ramp, Port of Port Phillip | Maritime Safety Boating Victoria](#))
 - St Helens Ramp ([Corio Bay - St Helens Ramp, Port of Port Phillip | Maritime Safety Boating Victoria](#))

Skippers' Packs

- Skippers should have already selected the check box in their TopYacht entry for where they require their Skippers Pack delivery to and collected from, before COB Friday 16th January 2026. These skippers packs include the division backstay flags, to be delivered to the correct clubs and marinas around Port Philip Bay prior to the start of the regatta.
- RGYC members can collect their skippers pack and backstay flag from RGYC Reception from Monday 19th January 2026.
- Entry updates can be completed [via TopYacht here](#).

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Entry Requirements

Please ensure your entry in TopYacht is filled out in its entirety as early as possible. This includes:

- Correct sail number.
- Any certificate numbers are entered, and they are active with the relevant issuing body e.g. IRC, AMS, ORC.
- At least two mobile numbers which will be monitored during the regatta for race and protest details.
- All crew who may be sailing with you are registered and their details are complete.
- A high-quality photo has been uploaded to your boat's TopYacht profile.

Crew Declaration and Intention to Race

Each day, the mobile numbers included in your entry will receive an SMS prior to racing for the purpose of signaling your Intention to Race, and listing which sailors will be on board.

Each boat will be required to log in using your TopYacht login details for your boat, and performing two actions:

1. Signaling **YES** or **NO** that you intend to race.
2. Marking which registered crew (from your TopYacht entry) will be on the boat that day.

It is crucial all your crew details are filled in correctly. This allows Race Management to understand how many boats will be on the water, and in the instance of an emergency, how many people and who they are on each individual boat.

Should you have any issues editing your crew information, please contact the Regatta Office as early as possible prior to the start of the regatta.

SailPass

All sailors must be a member of Australian Sailing, or obtain a SailPass for the duration of the regatta. The SailPass is FREE and can be purchased by both returning and new Australian Sailing Members.

Register for a SailPass [via this link](#).

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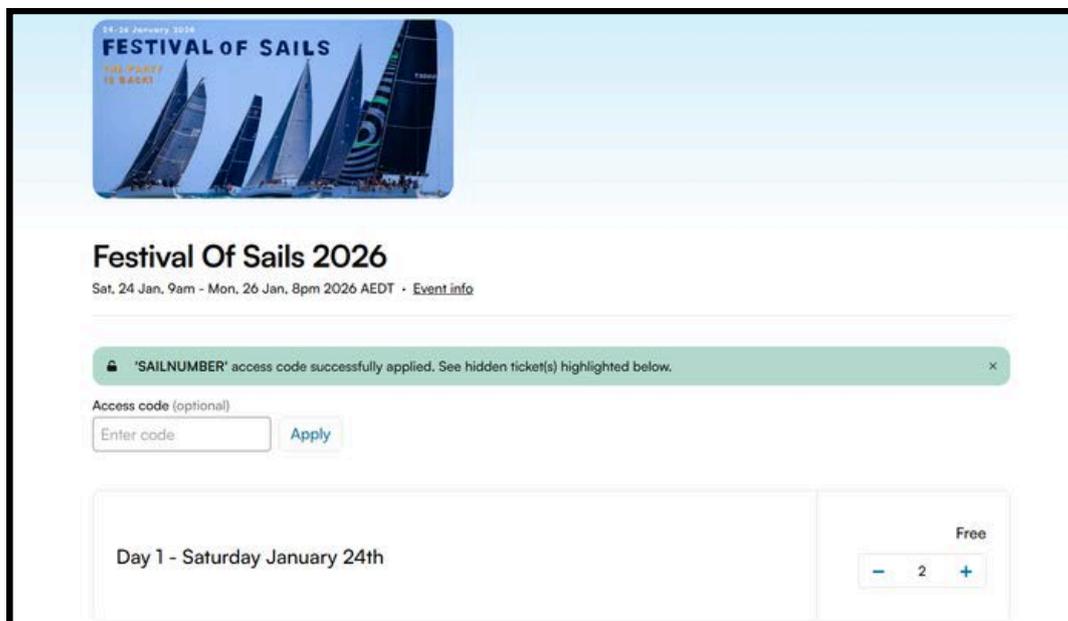
Registering for a ticket to Festival of Sails

As a Festival of Sails competitor, you'll be eligible for 20 FREE tickets. Like last year, Festival of Sails tickets are digital and are **required to enter the site after 5pm** on Saturday and Sunday.

IMPORTANT: Each individual competitor MUST have and carry their own ticket to enter the event. These tickets will be scanned at the entry gate, and without a ticket, you will not be allowed to enter the event site. Tickets with QR codes may remain on your phone or may be printed for scanning at the entrance gates.

SKIPPERs: It is your responsibility to make sure your crew have either received the booking link for their own ticket, or you have registered for them. If you are registering tickets on behalf of your crew, please ensure you have sent everyone their ticket before arriving at the entry gates.

To access your competitor ticket, you will be required to enter your Sail Number into the 'Access Code' section of the Festival of Sails 2026 Humanitix Event. This will grant you access to your exclusive 3-day access Competitor Ticket.



- If you need any assistance navigating this online ticketing process, please see our [Competitor Ticket Instructions](#) for how to book your tickets online.
- If you are both an RGYC Member and a 2026 Festival of Sails Competitor, please register yourself for a 'Competitor Ticket',
- If you would like to book further tickets for family and friends, we also have General Admission Tickets available. [All Competitor and Public tickets available here.](#)

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‘The Unlicensed Walkway’

IMPORTANT:

Please note due to liquor licensing restrictions, **any alcohol purchased off site cannot be brought into the event site** under any circumstances. If you would like to transport alcohol to your yachts, you will be required to do so through a dedicated designated walkway, ‘The Unlicensed Walkway’ via the east entrance to the yard.

- Event site entrances will be staffed 24/7 by security
- You must present either your event ticket or RGYC Member swipe card to access this walkway.
- Security will be checking these at the gate and will deny access to anyone without one of these.

Please plan accordingly to ensure smooth entry and compliance with licensing requirements.



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Passage Race Bus

Travelling from Geelong to Melbourne to race the 183rd Melbourne to Geelong Passage Race, presented by Holiday Inn & Suites Geelong?

Avoid the hassle of logistics by securing your spot on the Passage Race Bus. Arrivals from 5.15am and departing at 5.35am sharp from the corner of Brougham St and Yarra St just up the road from the Royal Geelong Yacht Club. Choose from five stops around the bay.

Bookings essential. [Click here to get tickets.](#)

RGYC Merchandise

Take home a piece of the Festival of Sails with official Royal Geelong Yacht Club merchandise. From classic apparel to everyday essentials, the Merchandise Store at RGYC will be open on Sunday 9am-5pm, offering a great range of club favourites for sailors, supporters and spectators alike.



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Accommodation in Geelong

Still organising your stay in Geelong?
Check out these **special offers** from some of our partners:

- **20% off** Best Flexible Rate at Holiday Inn & Suites Geelong. [Bookings & availability via this link.](#)
- **15% off** best available rate at Novotel Geelong. [Bookings & availability via this link.](#)
- **10% off** flexible rate accommodation at [Oaks Vue Suites](#) and [Oaks R Suites](#) Geelong when booking directly. Use code RGYC.

**T&Cs apply.*



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Hospitality & Bars

Coffee & Breakfast

Start your day right with breakfast or coffee from **The Yot Café**, or coffee from **The Coffee Mill on the East Village**, served daily. Indulge in hot brekky burgers, barista-made coffee, fresh juices, and more.

Opening Hours

The Yot Café

- Saturday: 12pm - 4pm, 6pm - 9pm
- Sunday: 8am - 11am, 12pm - 4pm, 6pm - 9pm
- Monday: 8am - 11am, 12pm - 4pm



Onsite Food Vendors

Alongside The Yot Café, we also have a huge range of Food Trucks around the Festival site to get a bite to eat. Enjoy lunch or dinner from one of our quick, delicious options.

- Braz Oz Brazilian BBQ
- Lil Dumpling Van
- The Street Caterer
- Chubby Bao
- The Coffee mill
- Timboon Ice Cream
- Frankie Pizza
- The King of Souvlaki
- **Soos' Calamari Bar**
Sat & Sun 12pm - 6pm
Mon 12pm - 5pm

Takeaway Sandwiches and Slabs

Need something quick and convenient to help fuel you and the crew?

Fresh sandwiches can be picked up from The Yot Café Sunday and Monday from 9am.

Slabs and ice can be bought from the Regatta Village Bar from 8.30am, Sun & Mon.

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Dinner at The Yot Café

Wind down your festival day with a delicious dinner at the Yot Café, located in the RGYC Clubhouse, right in the heart of the Festival of Sails. Known for its seasonal fresh produce and inviting atmosphere, The Yot offers the perfect spot to sit back, relax, and enjoy a meal with stunning waterfront views.

No bookings are required, simply turn up, find a table, and savour the flavours of Geelong while soaking in the vibrant festival energy. Whether you're looking for a relaxed meal with your crew or a special spot to celebrate the day's racing, The Yot Café delivers an unbeatable dining experience. **Serving dinner from 6pm to 9pm, Saturday and Sunday.**



Regatta Village Bar

Ready for a cool beverage or celebrating a great race? Unwind at the Regatta Village Bar, **open from 12pm daily.**

Sailors Lounge

Located on Level One of the new Victorian Sailing Centre, the Sailors Lounge is your place to sit down, relax, and enjoy the festival from one of the best seats in the house. With air conditioning and a balcony with a great vantage point of the bay, it's the perfect place to take a drink or bite to eat, check out the weather, and unwind.

Located in the Marina View Room, on Level One Victorian Sailing Centre
Open Sunday and Monday from 12pm to close.



Eating a big parma won't keep you under .05

Thinking about driving after a couple of drinks? Think again. Because no matter how much you've eaten, you don't really know if you're under the limit. And if you get caught you could face serious penalties, including fines, losing your licence, getting an interlock installed in your car and having to blow zero for three years. Stop kidding yourself. If you drink, don't drive.



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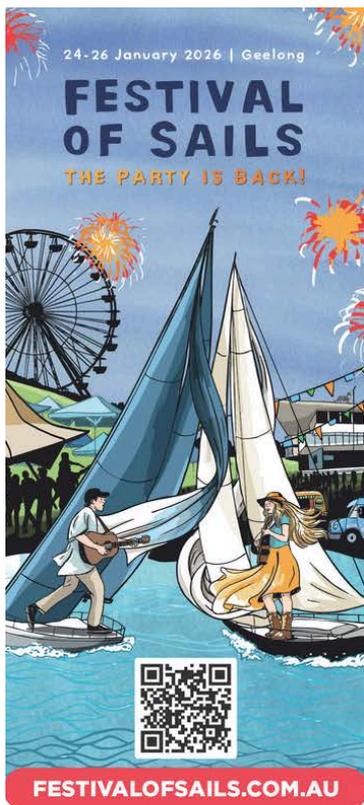
Explore the Festival Program

Festival of Sails 2026 delivers an unforgettable program both on and off the water. Across the three-day festival, enjoy world-class racing alongside live music, great food, and a vibrant waterfront atmosphere, with something for sailors, crews and supporters alike.

Use the festival timetable below to plan your days, or explore the full Festival Program and Festival Experiences online for the latest updates and details. Whether your focus is racing, relaxing shoreside, or soaking up the summer festival atmosphere, this program is designed to help you make the most of everything Festival of Sails 2026 has to offer.

[Online Event Program Here](#)

[Online Site & Marina Map Here](#)



SATURDAY 24 JAN

- ROYAL GEELONG YACHT CLUB** HOME OF THE FESTIVAL OF SAILS
- 2:00pm - Watch the 183rd Holiday Inn & Suites Geelong Passage Race Finish
 - 3:30pm - RAAF Roulettes Aerial Show
 - 9:30pm - Waterfront Fireworks
- CLUBHOUSE LAWN** IMMERSE YOURSELF IN SAILING CULTURE
- 9:00am - 5:00pm - 'Sailors Scavenger Hunt' Collect at the Info Booth & Join the fun!
 - 6:00pm - 7:00pm - Opening Ceremony & Presentation hosted by Sailor Girl Nic Douglass
- REGATTA VILLAGE** THE PARTY HUB
- 10:45am - 11:30am - Royal Australian Navy Jazz Band
 - 12:00pm - 5:00pm - Forte and K rock 95.5 present Emerging Artist Series
 - 5:15pm - 6:15pm - Holly Droomer & Will Gibb
 - 7:00pm - 8:00pm - Zoe Fox & the Rocket Clocks
 - 8:30pm - 9:30pm - Watty Thompson & his Total Fire Band
 - 10:00pm - 11:30pm - TJR & The Longhorns (Country music covers)
- VICTORIAN SAILING CENTRE** THE BEST VIEWS IN TOWN
- During racing - Regatta Services
- EAST VILLAGE** FUN FAMILY ENERGY
- 9:00am - 5:00pm - Lifestyle Expo
 - 9:00am - 1:00pm - Rough & Ready Boat Building: Build Day
 - 10:30am - 11:30am - Made in Geelong Showcase: Masterclass by Bellarine Resin
 - 11:45am - 12:45pm - Made in Geelong Showcase: Pairings on the Pier by Splatter Cheese Bar
 - 2:15pm - 3:15pm - Made in Geelong Showcase: Masterclass by Mint by Michelle
 - 3:30pm - 4:30pm - Made in Geelong Showcase: Gin Masterclass by Great Ocean Road Gin
- WANGIM WALK** GET RIGHT UP CLOSE TO THE ACTION
- 10:00am - 3:00pm - Come and Try Sailing - Free & Fun! Pre-bookings available
 - 12:00pm - 4:00pm - Visit the Tallships
 - 12:30pm - 3:30pm - Regatta Cruise - Get on the Water! (Paid tix via Website)
- STEAMPACKET GARDENS** SHOWCASING 'MADE IN GEELONG'
- 9:00am - 5:00pm - Made in Geelong: Artisan & Speciality Traders Market
 - 12:00pm - 4:00pm - Made in Geelong: Iconic Geelong-built cars

SUNDAY 25 JAN

- ROYAL GEELONG YACHT CLUB** HOME OF THE FESTIVAL OF SAILS
- 10:30am - 5:45pm - Sailing on Corio Bay
- CLUBHOUSE LAWN** IMMERSE YOURSELF IN SAILING CULTURE
- 9:00am - 5:00pm - 'Sailors Scavenger Hunt' Collect at the Info Booth & Join the fun!
 - 6:00pm - 7:00pm - Daily Wrap & Presentations hosted by Sailor Girl Nic Douglass
- REGATTA VILLAGE** THE PARTY HUB
- 11:00am - 12:30pm - Forte and K rock 95.5 present Emerging Artist Series
 - 1:00pm - 1:45pm - The Mik Meks
 - 2:00pm - 5:00pm - Forte and K rock 95.5 present Emerging Artist Series
 - 5:15pm - 6:00pm - Daisy Kilbourne & The Chains
 - 7:00pm - 8:00pm - The Prize
 - 8:30pm - 9:30pm - The Ferguson Rogers Process
 - 10:00pm - 11:30pm - Blaze of Glory (Bon Jovi Tribute band)
- VICTORIAN SAILING CENTRE** THE BEST VIEWS IN TOWN
- 8:00am - 9:30am - SheSails Women on Water Breakfast Regatta Services
 - During racing -
 - 12:00pm - 12:00am - Sailors Lounge
- EAST VILLAGE** FUN FAMILY ENERGY
- 9:00am - 9:30am - Competitors Briefing
 - 9:00am - 5:00pm - Lifestyle Expo
 - 9:15am - 10:15am - Made in Geelong Showcase: The Bee Journey by Coastal Nectar
 - 11:00am - 1:00pm - Rough & Ready Boat Building: Decorating Day
 - 11:45am - 12:45pm - Made in Geelong Showcase: Pairings on the Pier by Splatter Cheese Bar
 - 1:00pm - 1:20pm - KF Dance Studio
 - 2:15pm - 3:15pm - Made in Geelong Showcase: Masterclass by Mint by Michelle
 - 3:30pm - 4:30pm - Made in Geelong Showcase: Gin Masterclass by Great Ocean Road Gin
- WANGIM WALK** GET RIGHT UP CLOSE TO THE ACTION
- 10:00am - 10:30am - Young Endeavour - Manning the Yardarms
 - 10:00am - 3:00pm - Come and Try Sailing - Free & Fun! Pre-bookings available
 - 12:00pm - 4:00pm - Visit the Tallships
 - 12:30pm - 3:30pm - Regatta Cruise - Get on the Water! (Paid tix via Website)
- STEAMPACKET GARDENS** SHOWCASING 'MADE IN GEELONG'
- 9:00am - 5:00pm - Made in Geelong: Artisan & Speciality Traders Market
 - 12:00pm - 4:00pm - Made in Geelong: Iconic Geelong-built cars
 - 1:00pm - 3:00pm - Victorian Police Pipe Band

MONDAY 26 JAN

- ROYAL GEELONG YACHT CLUB** HOME OF THE FESTIVAL OF SAILS
- 10:00am - 4:45pm - Sailing on Corio Bay
- CLUBHOUSE LAWN** IMMERSE YOURSELF IN SAILING CULTURE
- 9:00am - 5:00pm - 'Sailors Scavenger Hunt' Collect at the Info Booth & Join the fun!
- REGATTA VILLAGE** THE PARTY HUB
- 7:00am - 8:00am - Yoga on the Green
 - 12:00pm - 3:00pm - Studio of Voice 'Get Gig Ready' Student Showcase
 - 4:00pm - 7:30pm - The Victory Bash Party
 - 4:00pm - Sweethearts
 - 5:00pm - Final Wrap & Presentation hosted by Sailor Girl Nic Douglass
 - 6:30pm - Sweethearts
- VICTORIAN SAILING CENTRE** THE BEST VIEWS IN TOWN
- During racing - Regatta Services
 - 12:00pm - 8:00pm - Sailors Lounge
- EAST VILLAGE** FUN FAMILY ENERGY
- 9:00am - 9:30am - Competitors Briefing
 - 9:00am - 5:00pm - Lifestyle Expo
 - 10:00am - 11:00am - Masterclass by Bellarine Resin
 - 11:30am - 12:30pm - Rough & Ready Boat Building: Racing Day
 - 11:45am - 12:45pm - Made in Geelong Showcase: Pairings on the Pier by Splatter Cheese Bar
 - 2:15pm - 3:15pm - Made in Geelong Showcase: The Bee Journey by Coastal Nectar
- WANGIM WALK** GET RIGHT UP CLOSE TO THE ACTION
- 10:00am - 2:00pm - View the Regatta from Wangim Walk
 - 10:00am - 3:00pm - Explore the Young Endeavour
 - 12:00pm - 4:00pm - Visit the Tallships
- STEAMPACKET GARDENS** SHOWCASING 'MADE IN GEELONG'
- 9:00am - 5:00pm - Made in Geelong: Artisan & Speciality Traders Market
 - 11:00am - 4:00pm - Australia Day Family Day
 - 12:00pm - 4:00pm - Made in Geelong: Iconic Geelong-built cars

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- SAILING EVENTS
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- FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT & ACTIVITIES
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Festival Program Highlights



Live Music

The Festival of Sails 2026 live music program brings the waterfront to life across three days, with a dynamic lineup of bands and performers delivering everything from laid-back afternoon sounds to high-energy evening sets. With music programmed throughout the festival, there's always something happening shoreside once racing wraps up for the day.

Headline acts for 2026 include:

- Watty Thompson & His Total Fire Band
- The Ferguson Rogers Process
- TJR & The Longhorns
- Blaze of Glory
- The Prize
- Zoe Fox & the Rocket Clocks

Check the festival timetable for performance times and locations, and make sure live music is part of your Festival of Sails 2026 experience.

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SheSails Women on Water Breakfast



Join us for one of the most inspiring events of the Festival of Sails, the SheSails Women on Water Breakfast, a celebration of women making waves in sailing and beyond. Now in its third year, this uplifting morning brings together sailors, crews and supporters for connection, conversation and inspiration, catered by Lady & the Fox.

Sunday 25 January | 8am - 9.30am

Marina View Room, Level 1, Victorian Sailing Centre

Tickets: \$30 per person (includes breakfast and coffee)

Hosted by Nic Douglass, the breakfast features an outstanding panel sharing powerful stories of leadership, perseverance and breaking boundaries across sport, health and fitness:

- **Robyn Ragauskas** - passionate sailor, women's advocate, and Australian Sailing 2025 SheSails Victorian Award Winner
- **Fiona Steele** - lifelong Etchells sailor with international racing experience and deep class heritage
- **Danielle Fraser** - experienced RGYC ocean and bay sailor and boat owner
- **Meg Goodfellow** - Australian Sailing Club Support Officer with hands-on experience in sailing, coaching, and sport operations.

[Book tickets here.](#)

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Victory Bash Presentation Party



Celebrate the festival finale at the Victory Bash Presentation Party, the ultimate way to wrap up the Festival of Sails!

Monday, January 27, from 4:00pm - 7.30pm

Regatta Village Stage

What's Happening:

- Relive the highlights with our 3-day wrap videos.
- Cheer on the winners during the trophy presentations, hosted by Nic Douglass
- Dance into the evening with an electrifying live performance by The Sweethearts, Geelong's own powerhouse soul band.

Grab a drink at the Regatta Village Bar, get a bite to eat at one of our festival food vendors, and head to the stage to dance and toast to the success of the festival.

Music from 4pm.

Presentations from 5pm.

No bookings needed, just grab a spot and enjoy the celebrations with your crew, family, and friends.

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Yoga on the Green

Monday 26 January
7am - 8am
Regatta Village Lawn

Start your day with serenity at Yoga on the Green, hosted by Yoga Crew.

Join us on the Regatta Village lawn from 7am to 8am on Monday, January 26, as the sun rises over the sparkling bay.

Open before the festival kicks off, this free session is available for sailors and members. The perfect way to unwind and rejuvenate. Don't forget to BYO mat!



Raising Sails with RGYC



Support the next generation of sailing champions! Spend just \$5 on a Junior Sailing Raffle Ticket to go in the draw for your share of **\$16,000 worth of prizes**, including the Ultimate Escape in a luxury Porsche, including dinner and a bespoke overnight stay.

All proceeds from the raffle go directly to helping our junior athletes access coaching, equipment, and opportunities to compete at higher levels.

Tickets close at 11.30am on Monday 26th, with the raffle being drawn at 12pm.

[Get your tickets here.](#)



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We lead the market in electric marine engines for all boat types. From compact electric outboards for tenders and small fishing boats to powerful pod drives for large yachts, our state-of-the-art range delivers quiet, reliable performance at an affordable price.



eLite

ePropulsion eLite is a lightweight 500W electric outboard delivering an efficient, eco-friendly alternative to small petrol engines. From just 6.7kg, it's the most compact motor in the ePropulsion range—perfect for small boats, tenders and dinghies. Portable, user-friendly and versatile for everyday boating.



Spirit Series

The Spirit 1.0 Plus and Spirit 1.0 Evo are 1kW (3HP* equivalent) electric outboards designed for dinghies, tenders, fishing boats and sailboats. With a lightweight, integrated 1,276Wh lithium battery, they deliver impressive range in a quiet, zero-maintenance and eco-friendly package—making them easy to transport, install and enjoy on the water.



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Navy Series

The NavySeries is the backbone of ePropulsion electric outboard motors. Delivering quiet, reliable, and low-maintenance power for aluminium fishing boats, dinghies, daysailers, and cruising sailboats.



Pod Drives

The Pod Drive Series delivers compact, quiet, and efficient electric propulsion. Paired with an E-Series battery (sold separately), it's ideal for smooth cruising, sailing, and on-water adventures.



X Series

The X Series is a zero-emission electric outboard with 88.2% efficiency, featuring a compact design, electric steering, smart assistance, and modular options for easy installation and customisation.

The i-Series electric inboards deliver zero emissions with intuitive, smart technology. Powered by eSSA (ePropulsion Smart System Architecture) and IoT connectivity (Internet of Things), they offer a safe, reliable, and user-friendly experience for leisure and commercial boats, including cruisers, workboats, ferries, and monohull or catamaran sailboats.



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Competitor Briefings

Australian Multihull Championship Wednesday & Thursday

Daily competitor briefings will be held in the **RGYC Clubhouse at 11am** on Wednesday and Thursday, hosted by your Principal Race Officer Stephen Aulich.

Competitors Briefing Party at Royal Yacht Club of Victoria

The Royal Yacht Club of Victoria will once again play host to our **Friday Night Competitor's Briefing**, as well as be streamed online via Microsoft Teams.

Kick off the weekend with a fabulous night, including:

- Live music from Jimmy Couples (as seen on The Voice)
- Bar open from 4pm until late
- Restaurant open from 5pm with à la carte and Festival of Sails Specials
- **Race Briefing from 7pm** including weather update from Roger 'Clouds' Badham.
- OTB Last Person Standing Cash Prizes
- Coopers "Shout the Bar"
- Coopers Merchandise Give Aways

[**Book the restaurant here.**](#)

RGYC Members who are competing in the Passage Race and berthing at Royals the night before to please complete a [**Visitor Berthing Form link here.**](#)

Bookings are essential to ensure you receive a berthing allocation.

Competitor Briefings Sunday & Monday

Daily competitor briefings will be held on the East Village Stage at **9am on Sunday and Monday**, hosted by your Principal Race Officer Stephen Aulich.

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Expectations of Competitors in an Emergency

If you have an emergency on your boat, please action the following:

1. Follow your yacht's emergency plan.
2. **Contact Emergency Services on 000 or use VHF Channel 16.**
3. At the first reasonable opportunity, contact the Race Committee on your dedicated VHF Channel, or VHF Channel 71.

Emergency+ App

We highly recommend the use of the Emergency+ app.

The Emergency+ app is a free app developed by Australia's emergency services and their Government and industry partners. The app uses GPS functionality built into smart phones to help a Triple Zero (000) caller provide critical location details required to mobilise emergency services

[Learn more about the app here.](#)

Returning to RGYC

If you are returning to the Marina and require first aid treatment or are meeting an ambulance, please aim for the following drop-off points:

If you require an ambulance, please head to the Wangim Walk Wave Attenuator to the west of the Marina. The ambulance will have clear access to your boat via Yarra Street.

If you require first aid services, these are available in the Ground Floor of the Victorian Sailing Centre. The preferred docking point is the Floating Marina Arm accessed via the western side of the Marina, or if draft allows, the floating docks adjacent to the main stage accessed via the eastern side of the Marina.

Alternative Ambulance Points

Port Phillip Bay and Corio Bay both feature various other meeting points for an ambulance and may be your preferred option. Please discuss this directly with emergency services and advise the Race Committee.

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Contact Information

If you have any further queries or need to clarify any of the information provided, please refer to the contact list below.

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Marina Office

Mobile: 0418 524 867

RGYC Reception

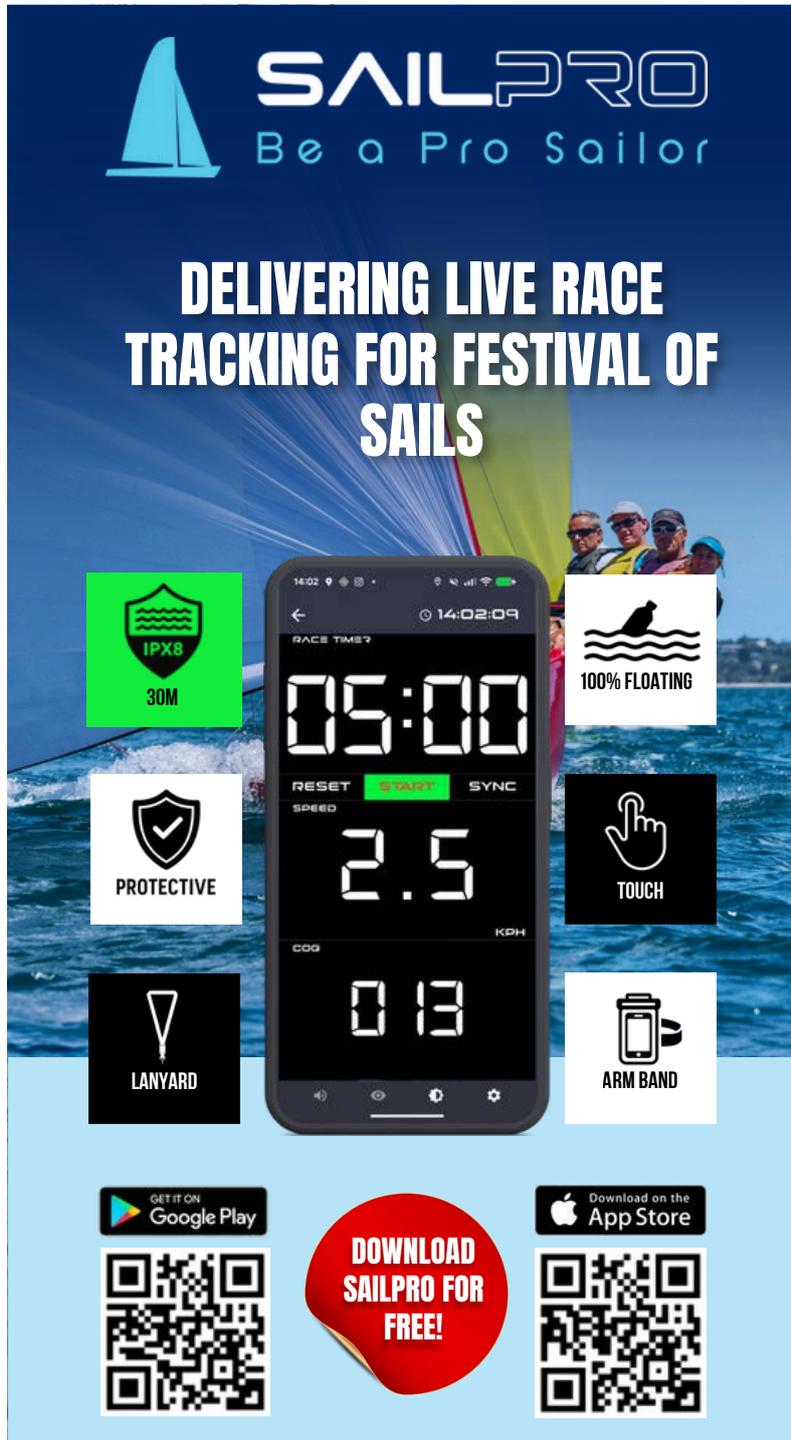
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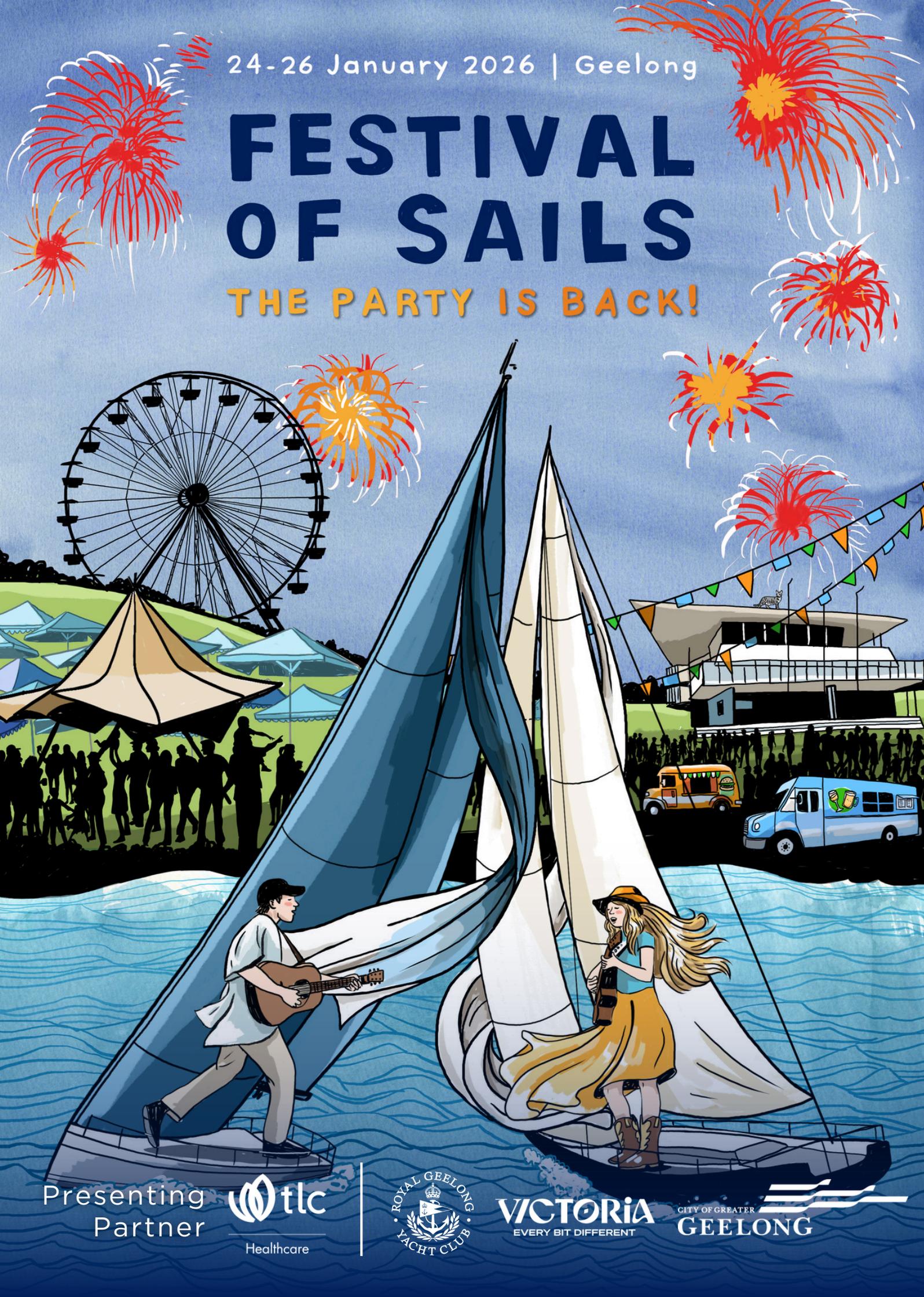
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