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WELCOME TO ROYAL MELBOURNE YACHT SQUADRON

With an illustrious history stretching back to the mid-1870s, Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron is one of the oldest yacht clubs on Port Phillip Bay, and also one of the friendliest.

A world-renowned venue, RMYS was sailing control centre for the 1956 Melbourne Olympics and more recently hosted the Laser World Sailing Championships in 1999 and World Sailing World Cup final in 2016.

The Squadron boasts a great past, and in 2014 we opened our superb 250 pen floating marina. RMYS continues to host National and State level events including the Australian Yachting Championships and Port Phillip AMS Regatta in 2019.

The shoreside facilities are equally enviable, with an historic clubhouse boasting the refurbished Olympic Room, Harbour Room and the Rooftop, with magnificent 360-degree views of Melbourne and Port Phillip.

A home away from home for local and international sailors, it also provides a stunning venue for weddings, functions and conferences. Exceptional catering is provided by food&desire, the Squadron's long-time, highly-regarded corporate partner.

RMYS is an active club, sailing all year round, with weekend and midweek races together with a growing calendar of events for those who would like to go cruising.

The Squadron has much to offer and invites visitors and prospective members to come and sample the best of sailing that Melbourne has to offer.

Membership of the Squadron offers you the opportunity to be a part of a vibrant social and sailing community located on the foreshore at cosmopolitan St Kilda, and to enjoy modern facilities within an original period building.



A BRIEF HISTORY

The Squadron had its beginnings in the early 1870s when a small group of yachtsmen and occasional fishermen gathered at St Kilda beach. Where there are yachts, there are challenges, and soon informal racing began.

By 1876 the group had become the St Kilda Sailing Club. It was, though, in need of a home. Several early schemes for a club shed were submitted but met with strong opposition from St Kilda residents.

But the club was not deterred, and in December 1885 its persistence was rewarded when the Lands Minister provided a 'Free Grant Site' on West Beach. A weatherboard club shed designed by Sydney Wilson was later built on the site at a cost of one hundred and twenty pounds.

By this stage the club had seen its first name change – now being known as the St Kilda Yacht Club – and the tonnage limits were increased to allow larger yachts to participate in races. Soon the club was the strongest on the Bay, with more than 200 members.

It became apparent that a slipway suitable for slipping larger yachts was needed and an application was lodged for a more convenient site closer to the pier.

Although permission was granted, it was another nine years before work started on the construction of the new slipway, which coincided with the building of a new clubhouse.

This two-storey building was designed by a member, J.P. Kennison, and opened by Past Commodore Louis Meyer on 24th June 1905, making the yacht club one of the first in Australia to have an on-site clubhouse.

Soon after the opening, more than 1,200 members and visitors were at the club when the Duke and Duchess of York (later King George VI and Queen Elizabeth), landed at St Kilda.

In May 1924 His Majesty King George V conferred on the club the prefix 'Royal'.

With membership increasing, the club had once more outgrown its facilities and celebrated its Golden Jubilee with the opening of a new clubhouse on 23rd October 1926, the Foundation Stone having been laid by the Governor General, Lord Stonehaven. This building, refurbished and extended in 1996, remains the home of RMYS today.



One of the most momentous years in the club's history was 1956, when Melbourne hosted the Olympic Games. Royal St Kilda Yacht Club was chosen as the Executive Headquarters for the yachting section of the Games and the victory ceremony and presentation of medals took place on the lawns.

The Royal St Kilda Yacht Club amalgamated with the St Kilda 14ft Sailing Club on 6th November 1961, an historic day for the club as it also officially changed its name to the Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron.

There have been many famous yachts based at the Squadron over the years. An equally promising future seems assured as committee and members take seriously their obligation to respect its traditions while striving wherever and whenever possible to improve the sailing experience for generations to come.

A multi-million dollar investment improving an already exceptional clubhouse experience, and the opening of the magnificent floating marina have helped place RMYS as one of the most progressive and forward-thinking clubs to be found not only in Victoria, but in the whole of Australia



FLOATING MARINA

Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron officially opened its state-of-the-art 250-berth marina on Sunday 2nd February, 2014.

The completion of this ambitious project was the culmination of 15 years of planning and provides Squadron members with some of the best boating facilities on the Bay.

At a cost in excess of \$14 million, plus incalculable volunteer hours, in addition to the marina itself, a significant amount was spent on extending the breakwater infrastructure. This has been gifted to the people of Victoria, improving the safety of St Kilda Harbour to the benefit of everyone.

Even the needs of the 1,300-strong colony of Little Penguins who make the breakwater their home were considered at all times, disturbance being kept to a minimum due to the environmentally sensitive nature of the project.

RMYS worked alongside Parks Victoria to upgrade the entire St Kilda harbour area and one of the many benefits of the work is the creation of a lasting waterfront legacy that will be enjoyed by generations to come. It is not only Melburnians who will benefit, as more than 8 million tourists annually visit the St Kilda foreshore.

What does this do for Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron? In essence, it effectively futureproofs the club, cementing its place once more as the go-to club on Port Phillip for those either looking to become a

member, or for sailing visitors from near or far seeking a base from which to explore the delights of St Kilda, Melbourne and the rest of Victoria.

About half of the 250 pens have long term leases while those remaining are available for shorter terms from overnight, a year, or anytime in between. There are also swing moorings available.

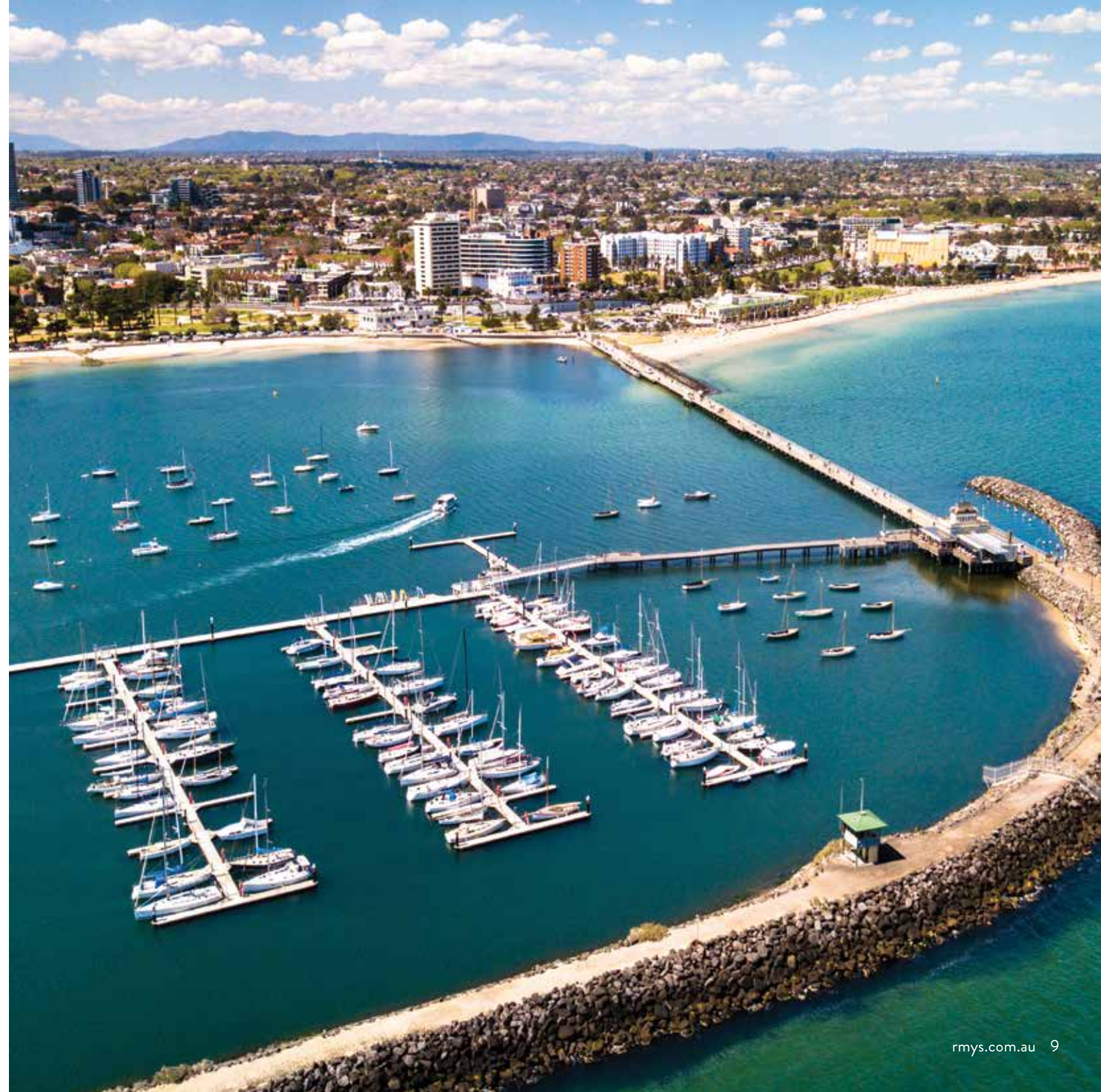
The location is both iconic and convenient, a safe and welcoming environment within walking distance of all the restaurants, boutiques and happenings of exhilarating St Kilda.

Excellent public transport provides fast and convenient access to the heart of Melbourne, with theatres and cinemas, galleries, arcades and world class dining.

Those choosing to berth at RMYS also gain full access to the Squadron's superbly restored historic clubhouse and all its facilities for the duration of their stay.

No matter what the requirements are, the friendly staff at RMYS will do their best to accommodate them.

For reservations or further enquiries, call the Squadron now on (03) 9534 0227 or email members@rmys.com.au



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SAILING PROGRAM

Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron has one of the most comprehensive sailing programs offered by any club in Victoria.

The Squadron's adults sail keelboats of all shapes and sizes, while juniors enjoy racing off the beach in dinghies. Racing takes place in divisions depending on each boat's individual specifications, and with all craft individually handicapped it makes for invigorating and very close racing.

Traditionally RMYS has been a very active racing club, offering a year-round racing program on Wednesdays and Saturdays, that has now been extended with an active cruising division and growing number of multi-hulls.

The Squadron is renowned for its racing quality and professionalism. Most Saturdays of the year RMYS boats can be seen battling with each other and the elements on Port Phillip. It looks spectacular from the shore; just imagine what it would be like to be out on the water!

With many yachts needing crews of three (or more) there are always owners on the lookout for reliable crew, so for those who cannot afford to buy or run their own boat, this is one of the most cost-effective routes into sailing.

Some series are run in conjunction with our friends at neighbouring clubs providing the opportunity to race against less familiar opponents.

Twilight racing on a Wednesday night during daylight savings is very popular. It's down to the Squadron straight after work for a quick race, followed by dinner and a drink among friends- the perfect way to break up the monotony of the working week.

In winter, it's the return of the Midweek Mariners on Wednesday, starting at 1400 hours for those able to escape business commitments.



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The traditional 'Lady Skippers' Race' has been a long standing feature on the sailing calendar at Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron. Traditionally the race is open to any yacht as long as it is 'skippered' by a woman. She can have a crew of all males, all females or mixed but a female must helm the boat throughout the whole race.

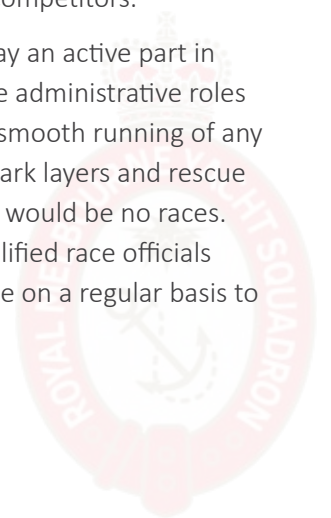
In 2005 the 'Lady Skippers' Race' was re-named the Jennifer Goldsmith Perpetual Trophy.

The Goldsmith family now sponsors the event in memory of Jennifer Goldsmith, a keen sailor and first female recipient of the Club Member of the Year at RMYS.

The Jennifer Goldsmith Perpetual Trophy is open to yachts from all clubs and is a part of the Port Phillip Women's Championship Series. All entry fees are donated by RMYS to melanoma research.

One of the club's biggest annual events is the Australian Women's Keelboat Regatta. Held over the King's Birthday long weekend in June, it is Australia's premier women's sailing event and is believed to be the first all-women's regatta in Australia. This event celebrated its 31st anniversary in 2023, with a record number of boats and competitors.

There is also the chance to play an active part in club life by learning one of the administrative roles that are indispensable to the smooth running of any club. Without race officers, mark layers and rescue personnel, for instance, there would be no races. The club has a number of qualified race officials who generously give their time on a regular basis to run high-quality racing.





CRUISING

The beauty of sailing is that it has something to appeal to everyone. Ambitious young sailors may hone their skills with the dream of one day following in the footsteps of famous names before them and becoming Australia's next Olympic gold medallist on the water.

An increasing number of sailors both at the Squadron and worldwide are enjoying another side to the sport, cruising.

What is cruising? In essence, it is social sailing. A chance to enjoy a wonderful pastime accompanied by like-minded individuals who enjoy nothing more than spending quality time together on and off the water. Sail together or individually and rendezvous at a chosen destination before savouring some good food accompanied by a glass (or two) of fine wine.

A strong bond exists between the group, and those joining a cruise for the first time quickly find they have a whole new circle of friends.

With a comfortable bed waiting below deck, there are no expensive hotel rooms or drink drive laws to worry about either.

RMYS has an active and social Cruising Group, which organises a number of events throughout the year for those who are interested in this more relaxed form of sailing. The highlight of the cruising calendar is the Flinders Cruise, generally held in March, which culminates in a Seafood Extravaganza at Flinders Yacht Club.

Membership of the Cruising Group offers the opportunity to:

- ▶ Participate in organised trips to cruise in company and rendezvous
- ▶ Gather at the Squadron on Friday nights and enjoy the opportunity of meeting others and going cruising on the weekend
- ▶ Participate in the famous Flinders Seafood Weekend, Portarlington Mussel Run, Progressive Dinners or venture further afield to Tasmania or beyond.





ROYAL MELBOURNE SAIL TRAINING ACADEMY

LEARN TO SAIL

Sailing is a great sport for everyone. It builds physical and personal skills and develops lifelong friends. Virtually any school subject can be related to sailing be it history, geography, maths or science. Early sailing explorers could step onto a modern yacht and recognise most of the equipment. Planning, team building, and responsibility for one's own actions are reinforced.

At RMSTA we try to sail all year even if the weather is sometimes uncertain. From youth to adult everyone can find in our academy a way to learn or to develop his or her sailing skills and knowledge, it is the place for families and children in particular to learn to sail.

During summer – after school, at weekends and over school holidays – we organise more courses as the weather is better, so the Off the Beach Team is alive with children aged seven and upward, along with experienced sailors and coaches to supervise.

Both competitive and social sailing is available.

FOR OUR YOUTH

The club offers the popular Tackers program, which places the emphasis on learning key sailing skills in a safe and fun environment.

Kids don't need to have any sailing experience and they don't need to have their own boat. All the equipment, including life jackets and boats, is provided. The boats used in the Tackers program are small and easy to handle, even for the youngest of children.

Tackers Offers:

- 20 hours of tuition from qualified Australian Sailing Instructors and Assistant Instructors. This is structured as either a 5-day holiday program or as a series of six individual sessions held over several weeks
- Combination of on-the-water and off-the-water games
- A certificate of achievement at the end of the course

All three levels of Tackers training are offered at the Training Academy, ensuring a structured pathway for juniors to enable them to become as proficient at sailing as their ability and available time allows. The levels are:

Tackers 1 – Having Fun

Kids sail in pairs in small boats called Optimists. This is a great way to make new friends, play games and be active out on the water whilst learning basic boat handling in a safe environment.

Tackers 2 – Tricks & Techniques

If kids are confident, they can sail a boat on their own with lots of support and encouragement from their Instructors whilst developing important boat handling skills and an understanding of marine rules and safety.

Tackers 3 – Sailing Fast!

In individual boats kids learn how to make the boat go faster and begin to think about sailing tactics and racing with as much guidance and support provided as they need.

FOR OUR TEENAGERS

Young development does not end there, however, as the club offers a follow-on coaching program known as Green Fleet for Tackers graduates who wish to learn how to race most of the time when they become teenagers. Under the tuition of sailing instructors/coaches, Green Fleet members are introduced to junior racing whilst learning higher-level boat handling and having fun with on-water games and exercises. All year our junior squad is training on Sunday to lift up their game and access to national championships and/or jump on our fleet of keelboats.

The squad program is developed in accordance with the parents to make this team also a perfect family time when parents and teenagers can share something during this important time of their life.

At RMSTA we are proud to say that our sailing courses are a part of their personal psychical and mental development; we are mentoring kids to have a better knowledge of themselves.

The club uses Optimists, Pacers and Quest RS for training on St Kilda harbour and Port Phillip, but during holidays we also run with the kids' extra activities like: stand paddle, kneeboard, towed buoy, etc...so they can get used to the sea and discover other potential interest.





FOR ADULTS

RMSTA offers a wide range of nationally recognised learn-to-sail and boating courses from “Discover Sailing” to Crewing and Racing courses in both dinghies and keelboats on our lovely three S80s.

The Training Academy is an accredited Australian Sailing “Discover Sailing Centre” that has launched the sailing careers of thousands. Managed by experienced and nationally accredited sailing and boating instructors, on-water and shore-based courses are conducted throughout the year.

All instructors are qualified through Australian Sailing and place equal importance on safety and enjoyment of the course to create the perfect learning environment.

For the mature student wishing to get into sailing, the courses provide a fun and accessible entry into the sport and provide participants with further opportunities to improve and develop sailing skills and techniques.

For racing sailors, our coaches also develop and deliver special seminars to pinpoint topics very important around the racing area: start, rounding mark, spinnaker, etc...but also we develop courses on specific positions such as jib trimmer and fore deck, incorporating filming and the use of professional software (Adrena, Njord, etc...) to find the keys to lift your game.

Royal Melbourne Sail Training Academy covers all types and levels of boating, ranging from learning to sail a dinghy or yacht to Cruising and Powerboating. In addition, courses are run teaching key skills such as navigating or how to operate a marine radio. Whether a beginner or already highly experienced, there is a level within each program to suit everyone.

For the ones that want to learn to sail “seriously” we have designed a training membership over 12 months. After an interview and expressing your expectation, our coach will build a plan of training for you. Over 12 months you’ll do a mix of Discover Sailing courses, special coaching, building miles on members’ boats and progress at your own rhythm.

For the ones that plan to rent or to buy a sailing boat we also provide onboard coaching to give you all opportunities to best manage your boat and avoid beginners’ mistakes, especially during manoeuvres and berthing.

See below for a summary of the courses available:

- Tackers: Learn to sail programs for kids 7 to 12 years
- Green Fleet: Junior sailing and learn-to-race programs for kids beyond Tackers
- Dinghy: Small boat sailing for youth & adults in beach-launched sailing dinghies
- Keelboat: Learn to sail programs for adults in larger day sailing yachts such as 580s
- Powerboat: Powerboat handling courses, including theory, licensing and on-water practical training
- Safety Operator: practice and regulation to rescue a boat and the crew
- Marine Radio: VHF and HF marine radio hands-on training courses and licensing
- Coastal Navigation: Shore-based courses including traditional chart navigation and GPS



Details of all the training courses offered, the latest dates and downloadable booking forms can be accessed by visiting the training section of the club’s website, www.rmyst.com.au

Royal Melbourne Sail Training Academy is one of the leading training centres for sailing schools. Centrally located in St Kilda and accessed via a sandy beach, St Kilda Harbour is an excellent training area for group sailing classes.

Adult club members are delighted to see the emergence of the next generation of sailors, showing that the future of RMYS is assured. Sailing is the perfect recreational or competitive sport for all ages and there are few better experiences than spending some quality family time out on the water.

If you have questions or enquiries, please contact Royal Melbourne Sail Training Academy via email at: training@rmyst.com.au or phone the office: (03) 9534 0059.



DISCOVER SAILING AT RMYS

Ever fancied trying your hand at sailing, but never been sure where to turn?
Look no further than Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron.

The club is always delighted to welcome new faces, and there is no friendlier sailing club to be found anywhere.

Wednesdays during daylight savings is the perfect way to sample all that's best about RMYS. Be at the club by 1600, put your name down on the board in the Olympic Bar and get ready for the perfect midweek break, with twilight sailing followed by an equally enjoyable time in the clubhouse.

There is also racing on Wednesday afternoons during winter, though this starts earlier and those interested in taking part need to be at the club by 1200. In either instance it's best to call first.

Skippers are also always looking for willing hands on Saturdays, the busiest sailing day of the week. Start times vary depending on the race of the day, so contact the office to find out what's on this week.

Warm clothing, a waterproof jacket and sturdy shoes with non-marking soles (white is best) are essential, as is some water and sunscreen.

A Sail Pass is available for the modest cost of \$15, which offers the opportunity to enjoy a trip out on one of the regularly raced keelboats, as well as the use of the club facilities upon returning to shore.

The chance to have a drink and some dinner while bonding with the rest of the crew is one not to be missed. Up to 12 Sail Passes can be issued per individual.

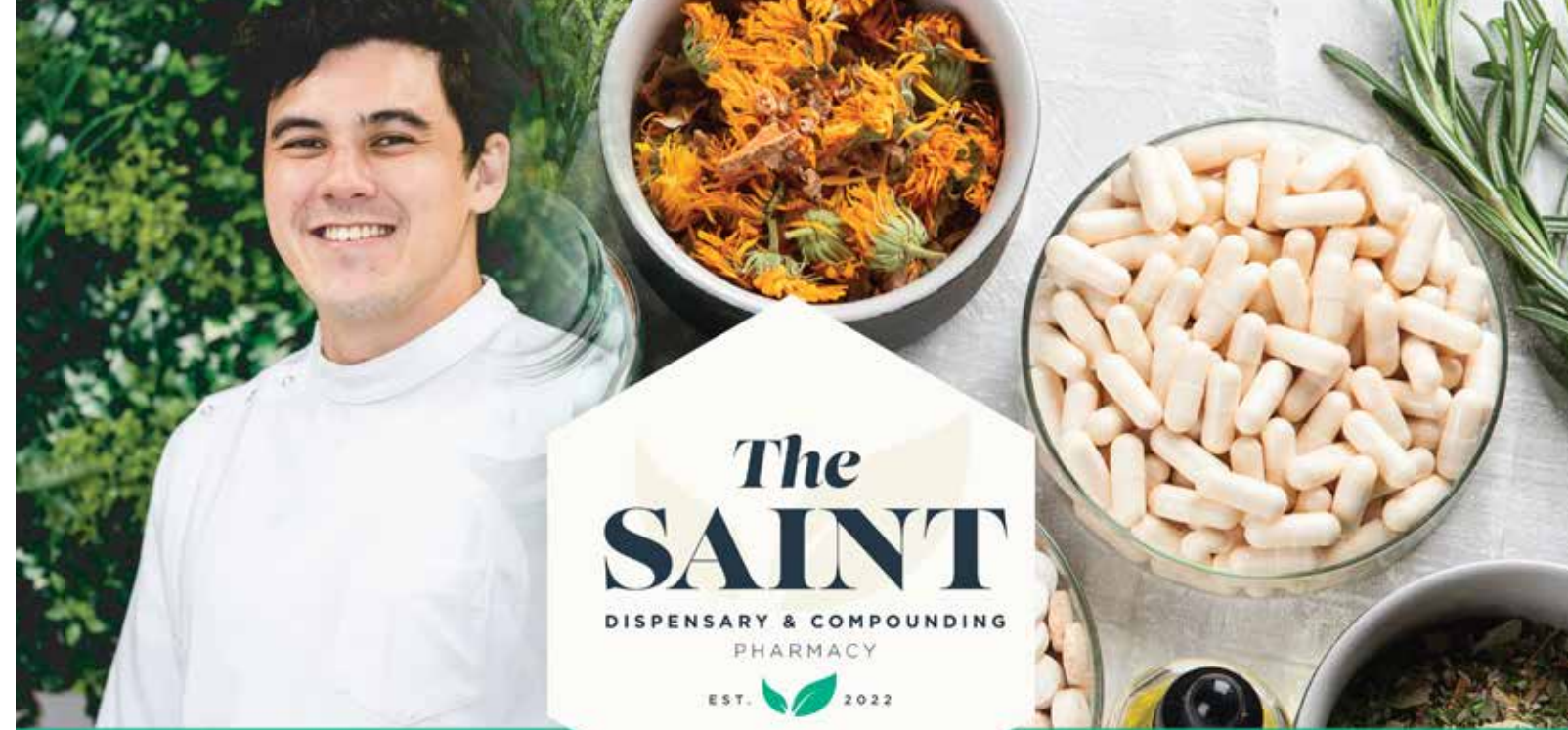
By that stage, of course, you're hooked! Should you then decide to take the next logical step and join RMYS, the money already paid for any Day Passes is counted towards the first year of membership.

It is also worth noting that the club holds a Discover Sailing Day each year, a hugely popular event run by volunteer members at the club for newcomers that allows landlubbers to see whether they have sea legs.

The best part about this day, besides getting out on the water, is the chance to meet like-minded people who are also new to sailing. Finding others in the same boat can instantly forge new friendships and make the sailing experience all the more pleasurable.

For those looking to learn to sail in a more structured environment, check out the Training Section elsewhere in this brochure and on the club's website, www.rmys.com.au

Please feel free to call the office on (03) 9534 0227 or email boating@rmys.com.au with any queries about the club's racing program or Day Pass scheme.



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BECOMING A MEMBER

With its refurbished clubhouse and magnificent floating marina, now is as exciting a time as any to become a member of Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron.

The Squadron welcomes applications for membership from any person of good character who is interested in sailing.

Various categories are offered to suit individual requirements and a family membership allows the kids to join for free.

Membership categories are:

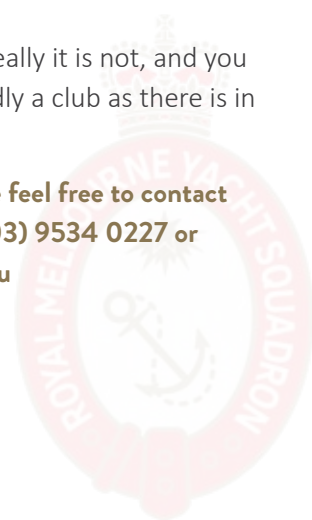
- ▶ Full Member – including all boat owners
- ▶ Family – full member, spouse (if applicable) and all children 6-18 years
- ▶ Sailing – for non-boat owners
- ▶ Intermediate – ages 18-25 years
- ▶ Associate / Spouse
- ▶ Junior – under 18 years
- ▶ Social

All applications must be proposed and seconded by a current financial Full member or accompanied by two written references. The applicant's name is then displayed on the club's notice board for a period of two weeks.

Prospective members and their proposers are required to attend a membership meeting where they will meet other members and be given information about the club, including their rights and responsibilities.

It sounds a little formal, but really it is not, and you will find that RMYS is as friendly a club as there is in the area.

For further information please feel free to contact the RMYS office by phone: (03) 9534 0227 or email: members@rmys.com.au



BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

The Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron is continually striving to ensure it offers outstanding value to its members and those joining can look forward to a host of benefits including:

- ▶ Year-round sailing program
- ▶ Active cruising group
- ▶ Extensive social calendar
- ▶ Friendly, welcoming club and members
- ▶ Magnificent floating marina
- ▶ Wonderful clubhouse offering a spectacular place to relax
- ▶ Discounted rates on facilities and services such as:
 - ▶ Marina, boatyard and moorings
 - ▶ Food and beverage
 - ▶ Training and sailing courses
- ▶ Function and conference facilities, with a reduced rate for room hire for Full members
- ▶ Reciprocal arrangements with selected yacht clubs worldwide
- ▶ Tender service
- ▶ Discount for Full members on merchandise





SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Sailors are renowned as being a sociable bunch and here at Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron we are proud of our reputation as one of the friendliest clubs on the Bay.

The clubhouse experience is just as important as the activities on the water, a fact greatly valued by members and never forgotten by those who guide the direction of the club. The Squadron has an extensive social calendar featuring numerous events throughout the year, the aim being to provide something to appeal to all tastes

Among the highlights for members is the annual Trophy Presentation Night held at the end of May where the season's outstanding sailing achievements are recognised while enjoying an excellent meal and musical entertainment.

Christmas is a special time of year, and the children in particular, are delighted when Santa takes time off from his busy schedule to pop in and help the club's younger members celebrate the festive season.

Many members and guests traditionally enjoy a special New Year's Eve dinner at RMYS before gathering to watch the fireworks from the roof.

Themed dining nights, guest speakers, golf days, cheese and wine evenings and trivia nights have all featured on the club calendar. The Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron clubhouse is spectacularly located in cosmopolitan St Kilda, with magnificent views over Port Phillip.

VISITORS

Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron offers the warmest of welcomes to visitors from Victoria, around Australia and from overseas.

In addition to sailing members from reciprocal clubs around the world, we are delighted to see sailors looking for a hospitable location to spend a short break.

St Kilda is Melbourne's seaside playground and is much loved by residents and visitors alike. It is renowned for its expansive view of Port Phillip, safe sandy beach, palm-lined boardwalk, huge range of beach activities, big skies, glorious sunsets, parks and gardens, great restaurants, bars and cafés, fabulous old buildings, and its colourful past and present.

With a sheltered harbour and marina, the clubhouse is a haven of relaxation, offering one of the best views on the Bay, and the club's friendly members and staff are always keen to welcome new faces.

Put simply, it is a location that offers recreation and relaxation, exhilaration and inspiration in equal measure.

Casual berths (for a night, a week or longer) can be booked through the club by calling (03) 9534 0227 or via email: members@rmys.com.au



CLUBHOUSE

RMYS is just a short tram ride from the CBD and a clubhouse that is a haven.

The aim is to provide members with a home away from home, and some find the setting and ambience so appealing that they are loath to leave at the end of the day!

Why not come to the Squadron and see for yourself? Enjoy casual dining in the Olympic Lounge and browse the fascinating Squadron and Olympic memorabilia. Among the items on display is the results board for the events that took place on Port Phillip in the 1956 Olympic Games.

The caterers at RMYS provide a snack menu as well as substantial lunches and dinners available on racing days.



WEDDINGS AND FUNCTIONS

There can be few more spectacular locations for a wedding or other celebration than the majestic waterfront setting enjoyed by the Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron.

The incredible venue forms only part of an all-round functions package which is guaranteed to make the right impression and live long in the memory of both event organisers and their guests. Make no mistake, at RMYS we really do know how to put the special into special occasion.

The Squadron has entered into a long-term partnership with renowned Melbourne caterers, food&desire, and together we have focused on creating a versatile venue offering quality catering and service to our members, and general public, who all experience and enjoy our remarkable waterfront.

By consistently delivering excellence in events, food, wines and service, food&desire demonstrates their reputation as catering leaders. Partnering with food&desire ensures premium quality menus with particular emphasis on seasonal local produce through their close relationship with local suppliers and growers. Their approach is fresh and innovative, incorporating global flavours with emphasis on modern Australian cuisine.

Menus can be tailored to suit a culinary theme, price range and event, and sample menus can be viewed on the caterer's dedicated website, www.foodanddesire.com.au

Exceptional service complements the culinary experience, with motivated, efficient and skilled staff on hand to ensure the highest standards are achieved and consistently delivered to exceed client expectations.

The club gladly accommodates:

- ▶ Weddings
- ▶ Engagements
- ▶ Christenings
- ▶ Birthdays
- ▶ Celebrations of Life
- ▶ School Formals
- ▶ Sport Presentations
- ▶ Launches
- ▶ Business Lunches
- ▶ Sportsman's Dinners
- ▶ Private Dinners
- ▶ Corporate Breakfasts
- ▶ Seminars
- ▶ Team Building Days
- ▶ Conferences/Meetings

Any occasion will be made truly memorable, with weddings a speciality. Ceremonies can be held on the rooftop, inside the venue or in the surrounding gardens, giving the wedding party the chance to spend an unforgettable and uninterrupted day here. No logistical nightmares or guests going missing between venues, just one superb spot to enjoy what is one of the most important days in anyone's life.

With a beautiful waterfront and parkland surroundings, any photographer is offered a wonderful natural canvas as a backdrop to help create a wedding album to treasure.

Whatever the size of the party there is a room at RMYS perfect for the occasion.

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THE HARBOUR ROOM

With panoramic views of St Kilda pier and remarkable sunsets, the Harbour Room is located upstairs at the RMYS.

Distinctive designs and unique furnishings have transformed the interior into a modern event space that has captured the periodic character of what is an iconic waterfront venue.

The Harbour Room is suitable for weddings, celebrations, meetings and corporate conferences for up to 220 guests for a seated event or up to 400 for a cocktail party.

THE ROOFTOP

The Rooftop is also available to hire either independently or to complement the main function room beneath it.

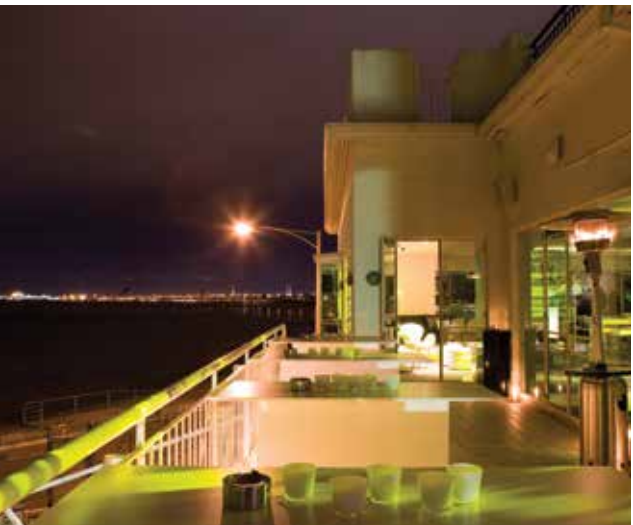
Marquee structures can be erected on the rooftop, with the space catering to cocktail parties up to 200 and seated events up to 120 guests.

This really is the place to be watching the sunset on a balmy summer evening and needs to be seen to be fully appreciated.

COMMITTEE ROOM AND LIBRARY

For smaller events, the Committee Room and Library are individual rooms which can be hired for private lunches, celebrations, dinner, cocktail parties and meetings.

Both rooms have access to the balcony with views of Port Phillip and St Kilda pier. These rooms can accommodate around 40 for a seated event or 80 for a cocktail party.



ROOMS TO HIRE AT RMYS

	Seated	Seated with dance floor	Cocktail Party	Theatre Style/ Meeting	Meeting / Board Room
Committee Room	12	N/A	50	N/A	12
Library	15	N/A	N/A	20	12
Harbour Room	220	160	300	200	160
Roof top	120	N/A	200	N/A	N/A



CONFERENCES

Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron represents an excellent choice of venue for a conference, seminar or meeting.

The versatile clubhouse accommodation provides the perfect facilities for those looking for a comfortable but intimate setting to hold that important board meeting or a grand room for a conference with up to 200 delegates seated theatre-style.

The clubhouse is not just functional however, it is truly spectacular, with a wonderful outlook.

The club may be only a few minutes away from Melbourne's CBD, but the stunning beauty of its beachside location means it is a world away from the hustle and bustle of city life and offers a welcome change of pace which will put staff members or delegates instantly at ease.

The cuisine offered by the Squadron's dedicated caterers, food&desire, is simply first class.

Any food options – from light snacks or sandwiches to working lunches and even sit-down meals – can be catered for. Satisfaction at a reasonable and affordable price is guaranteed.

These are just a few of the reasons why choosing RMYS represents one of the best business decisions you could make all year:

- ▶ A fully air-conditioned and modern clubhouse
- ▶ Private meeting rooms
- ▶ Flexible room set-ups with curtaining to divide space
- ▶ In-house PA sound system, a/v support, etc.
- ▶ Catering for groups of all sizes
- ▶ Excellent and affordable food and beverage options
- ▶ Ample parking
- ▶ Conveniently located

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RECIPROCAL CLUBS

Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron enjoys reciprocal arrangements with a number of other prestigious sailing clubs in Australia and around the world.

This member benefit is particularly useful when planning trips away and a warm welcome is guaranteed.

Those wishing to visit a partnered club should contact the RMYS office for a letter of introduction prior to travel. It is also well worth checking arrangements such as availability of moorings, accommodation and facilities.

AUSTRALIA

NSW

- Cruising Yacht Club of Australia
- Middle Harbour Yacht Club
- Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club
- Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron

Queensland

- Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron
- Sanctuary Cove Yacht Club
- Southport Yacht Club

South Australia

- Cruising Yacht Club of South Australia
- Royal South Australian Yacht Squadron

Tasmania

- Derwent Sailing Squadron
- Mersey Yacht Club
- Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania

Western Australia

- Fremantle Sailing Club
- Hillarys Yacht Club
- Mandurah Offshore Fishing & Sailing Club
- Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club
- Royal Perth Yacht Club

NEW ZEALAND

- Royal Akarana Yacht Club
- Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron

NORTH/SOUTH AMERICA, CANADA & CARIBBEAN

- California Yacht Club, USA
- Royal Bermuda Yacht Club, Bermuda
- Royal St Lawrence, Canada
- Royal Victoria Yacht Club, Canada
- Seattle Yacht Club, USA

ASIA

- Republic of Singapore Yacht Club
- Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club
- Royal Bombay Yacht Club
- Royal Langkawi Yacht Club
- The Manila Yacht Club

EUROPE

- Gstaad Yacht Club
- Norddeutscher Regatta Verein
- Royal Channel Island, Jersey
- Royal Cornwall Yacht Club
- Royal Dart Yacht Club
- Royal Fowey Yacht Club
- Royal Gourock Yacht Club
- Royal Irish Yacht Club
- Royal Mersey Yacht Club
- Royal Netherlands Yacht Club
- Royal Northern & Clyde Yacht Club
- Royal Southampton Yacht Club
- Royal Southern Yacht Club
- Royal St George Yacht Club

AFRICA

- Royal Cape Yacht Club
- Royal Natal Yacht Club
- Seychelles Yacht Club





HOW TO FIND & CONTACT US

Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron is located on the beach at St Kilda, just 6km from Melbourne's CBD. The city can easily be reached by public transport in around 20 minutes, with two regular tram services (96 & 16) running right past the front door and a third (12) a short walk away.

We look forward to welcoming you to RMYS. If you have any questions or would like further information then please do not hesitate to contact us.

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