

Royal South Australian Yacht Squadron (OA) in conjunction with the Multihull Association of South Australia presents the



King of the Gulf

Email Number 8:



Update:

We have 34 nominations, which is a record for the King of the Gulf, despite having to move the regatta from our usual base in Port Vincent to the RSAYS. We sincerely thank you all for your generous, continued support and understanding. Despite the move we hope you enjoy our regatta even though we know that the fantastic camaraderie, fun and the enjoyment of each other's company in the marquee on the Port Vincent Marina lawns will be a big loss. Not happy COVID. Still there will always be next year. Apologies to our friends who have not been able to participate in this year's regatta due to COID.

Date: 18th January 2022

Regatta Racing:

Now that nominations have closed, all yachts are now in the hands of your club handicappers as they work hard to put a fine-tooth comb through all the handicaps and split the monohulls into two racing divisions. A determined effort is being made to keep all the fleets finishing in a reasonably close time frame, so that we do not have the faster boats waiting inordinate amounts of time for the slower yachts to finish so they can start the second race of the day. We expect to inform you all at the end of the week of your regatta handicaps and of your respective race divisions.

FREE Sail Pass:

Australian Sailing has a new rule 46 that is effective 1 Jan 2022 which requires all regatta crew to be sailing club members. The Squadron has offered free sail passes to any crew requiring temporary Australian Sailing membership. This RSAYS free Sail Pass is available HERE for any KoG crew that may require it. A reminder that all participants must be members of Australian Sailing and if you have crew who are not, your best and free option is to use the Sail Pass.



Passage Races:

Although they are not passage races, we are still calling them passage races. They bookend the regatta on Friday and Tuesday and will run along the coastline. The racing committee are setting courses that will keep you in close to the coast and suburban jetties. Although the race committee will endeavour to give you all enough water to do the course, a reminder that it is the skipper's responsibility to race safely and to keep in the water.

Meal Options:

Meal options after races will be in line with the ever-changing COVID restrictions.

We are confident the club can come up with a range of acceptable safe options for competitors. It must be noted that the RSAYS clubhouse is a double jab venue which will be enforced.

This restriction does not apply to competing yachts or the RSAYS marina.

Sailing Instructions:

These have been released and are currently on the regatta web site <u>HERE</u>. A big thank you to the race committee, and Roger Oaten in particular, for producing these.

Teams Event:









Our fun teams event will again be run by Peter Hawker with big prizes offered by North Haven Marine and Greg Patten through Wireless Communications. The competition follows the KoG philosophy of encouraging friendship, respect, and competition between all the different yachts. This year 5 teams of 7 yachts will be selected to represent suitably landlocked countries like Zambia, Moldova, Nepal, and Mongolia. Teams will be comprised of boats from each division and could consist of a multihull, 3 @ monohull and a cruising boat with the results being determined by their PHS results. This year is the turn of the multihull fleet to captain their "national" teams. The prizes are substantial North Haven Marine vouchers which always go down well. The teams will be drawn by lot just before the virtual passage race briefing and regatta welcome on Thursday night.

2022 "King of the Gulf" regatta clothing:

Orders have now closed.

Don't leave your crew in the dark:

All the KOG newsletters you get are also on the "King of the Gulf" website. This is in response to a few crews who had the audacity to suggest that some skippers did not keep them in the loop regarding regatta clothing, meal tickets etc. Your easy out is to point them to the KOG website, and your problem is solved. https://www.myasa.asn.au/email-newsletters



Race Presentations:

Race presentations will be conducted each day outside at the club house at 5.30pm.

Skipper's Handbook:

The KOG event regatta does not print off hard copies of the Skipper's Handbook.

The handbook will be available online as a pdf file and can be printed off at home if desired. The handbook will be available online soon. <u>HERE</u>

Welcome:

We have a number of new yachts competing in the regatta this year. A big King of the Gulf welcome to



Arcadia 111
Paul Bogner and his crew in
Arcadia 111. A very
competitive Archambault A40
raced out of the RSAYS.

Stella RougeA Northshore 27 skippered by

Barb Beacham and her crew from the RSAYS. Stella Rouge will be our first ever all-female crew. Thanks for joining us, ladies. We hope you enjoy the regatta.



Rock On is a Clubman 30 Super with Trevor Conyers on the helm and a great crew from the CYCSA. Welcome to our regatta. From the picture it certainly looks like an exciting boat to sail





Stealth is another RSAYS boat new to the KoG. Stealth did both KoG passage races last year but not the regatta. Skippered by John Herbert and their self-proclaimed "sexy crew" they are an exciting boat to watch.

In the cruising division we welcome *Trim Cat* a Schionning Wilderness 1100 catamaran. Skippered by Greg Smith this boat is brand new out of the CYCSA. Welcome Trim Cat





(photograph of a sistership)

Passport is a new purchase by Kevin Kelly, a long time KoG supporter. Passport is an Austral Clubman 8 from Sydney. We welcome and look forward to seeing Passport, Kevin, and his crew action.

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