2026 MIENA VILLAGE SHOWDOWN REGATTA

Organising Authority: The Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania

12 & 13 DECEMBER 2026

NOTICE OF RACE

International Dragon & One Design Keelboats

(Off the Beach Boats and 2.4s are covered by a separate Notice of Race)

The Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania invites owners and charterers of International Dragons & One Design Keelboats to enter the 2026 RYCT Showdown Regatta.

1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *Rules* as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

1.2 Appendix T Arbitration will apply to this regatta amended so that an Arbitrator can form part of a subsequent Protest Committee.

1.3 International Dragon Class rule 13.30 (crew weight) will not apply to this regatta.

1.4 Lifejackets are required to be worn at all times whilst afloat during this regatta.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be issued by 0900 Friday 11 December 2026 and will be available on the RYCT website HERE.

3. COMMUNICATION

3.1 The official notice board is located on the corner of the main RYCT club house near the marina gate.

3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on VHF Channel 16 and 13.

3.3 [DP] While racing from the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 The Regatta is open to International Dragon class boats and One Design Keelboats. Helms and crews shall be members of a club affiliated with Australian Sailing.

4.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing an on-line entry by 16:00 on Monday 7 December 2026.

4.3 Late entries may be accepted by payment of an additional $100 up to 16:00 on Friday 11 December 2026.

4.4 An on-line entry system has been established on the Showdown website ENTER HERE

5. ENTRY FEE

5.1 Entry Fee shall be $150 for each boat.

6. ADVERTISING

6.1 Advertising is permitted in accordance with WS Regulation 20 (Appendix 1 – Advertising).

6.2 The Organising Authority reserves the right to refuse advertising by any boat, if it is considered offensive to public taste or if it contravenes the laws of the governments of Tasmania or Australia.

6.3 Competitors may be required to display event sponsor's names(s)/logo(s). If required, the Organising Authority will supply these items, and they shall be affixed as prescribed in the Sailing Instructions.

7. SCHEDULE

Day	Date	Time	Action
Sat	12 Dec	08:00 – 09:00	Registration at RYCT
Sat	12 Dec	10:00	First Warning Signal
Sun	13 Dec	10:00	First Warning Signal
There will be no warning signal after 1530 on Sunday 13 December.			

8. RACING AREA

The racing area will be the River Derwent from the Tasman Bridge to a line drawn from Cartwright's Point to Trywork Point.

9. COURSES

Courses will be windward/leeward as described in the sailing instructions.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS. 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turn Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty when the infraction occurs outside the Zone as defined in the RRS.

11. SCORING

11.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series. There will be a maximum of eight races.

11.2 When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

11.3 When six or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

12. SAFETY

It is recommended that entrants have a practised Man Overboard procedure that all crew members are made fully aware of.

13. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states:'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue *racing* is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong wind and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

14. HAULOUT RESTRICTION

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta (wet regatta) except with prior permission of the Race Committee. All boats to be in the water by 09:00 Sat 12th December.

15. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of $10,000,000.

16. PRIZES

Prizes will be presented based on the following table:

Entrants	1 to 3	3 to 5	6 or more
Prizes	1st - only	1st & 2nd	1st to 3rd

17. FURTHER INFORMATION

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