THE ROYAL YACHT CLUB OF TASMANIA



VOLUNTEER BOOKLET

JOIN OUR CREW

Volunteer with The Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania

Home of Tasmania's Premier Yacht Racing

About The Club

The Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania (RYCT) is Tasmania's premier yacht club, home to iconic events such as the finish of the Rolex Sydney Hobart Yacht Race and a vibrant local racing calendar.

Located on the River Derwent foreshore, RYCT offers world-class facilities for its members and visitors. The club welcomes everyone, from passionate ocean racers to social sailors, and supports the future of sailing through its youth and community programs.

RYCT is especially proud of its dedicated volunteers, whose time and energy make our events possible.

Key Roles at RYCT



Race Officer



Equipment Auditor



Judge



Umpire



Race Committee



Protest Committee



Event Support



Rolex Sydney Hobart Yacht Race



Committee

What Our Volunteers Do

Club Racing



Summer Twilight Series (Thursday)

Race Officer
Race Officials - Start Boat
Castray Box
Mark Boat Crew - Skipper
Assistant



Summer Offshore Racing

Race Officer
Race Officials
Finish Box
Radio Room



Winter Series

Race Officer x1
Race Officials
Finish Box
Radio Room



Local Regattas

Race Officials
Judges
Mark Boat Crew
Umpires
Coaches
Rescue Crew
Shore Patrol



Youth and Community Sailing Events

Race Officials
Judges
Mark Boat Crew
Umpires
Coaches
Rescue Crew
Shore Patrol

Major Events



Finish of the Rolex Sydney Hobart Yacht Race

Race Finish Committee
Race Officials
Communications Committee
Liaison Centre Crew
Finish Box Crew
On The Water Berthing Crew
Trophies & Presentations



Tasmanian, Australian and World championships and regattas

Race Officials
Judges
Mark Boat Crew
Umpires
Coaches
Rescue Crew
Shore Patrol



Community and charity regattas

Race Officer
Race Officials
Mark Boat Crew

Additional Support

Protest Committees
Club, State, National and International

Equipment Auditing
Australian Sailing accreditation supported by RYCT



Your Future with RYCT

You don't need previous experience to join our team! Long-term, qualified volunteers provide training, and our pathway program offers opportunities for further training and Australian Sailing accreditation.

Race Day Roles on Board:

- Flags
- Timekeeping
- Scribing and record-keeping
- Sound Signals
- Mark Laying
- Rescue Boat

Race Officer Pathways:

Race Officer (RYCT and Club Events)

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Regional/National Race Officer (State/National Events)

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International Race Officer (International Events)

Umpire Pathways:

Trainee Umpire (assist in RYCT match and team racing events)

Club/State Umpire 

National Umpire 

International Umpire 

Protest Committee/Judge Pathways:

Protest Committee Member (club level)

Regional Judge (chair at club level)

National Judge (chair national juries)

International Judge (sit on/chair international juries)

Equipment Auditor Pathways:

Club Equipment Auditor (Category 3-7 audits)

National Equipment Auditor (Category 1-2 audits)

Scoring/Handicapping and Results Pathways:

Scorer/Handicapper using proprietary software to produce and publish results

Off-Water and Social

Event Support:



- Regatta Hosting
- Event Management

Committees and Working Groups:



- Sailing
- Events
- Off The Beach (OTB)
- Member Events
- Premises
- History and Archives

Flagship Events:



- Sydney Hobart Yacht Race Finish
- RYCT Regattas
- Community Events

Get in Touch

Want to join our passionate crew of volunteers? Visit **ryct.org.au** for more information or contact the Sailing Office at **sailing@ryct.org.au**.




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