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AUSTRALIAN PACER CHAMPIONSHIPS.

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For the first time, The Australian Pacer Championships are about to be held in Queensland this year !!!!!

They will be sailed at Manly, from Monday, 29th. December, 2008 to Saturday, 3rd. January, 2009, with New Years Day being a Lay-Day. The host club will be the Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron.

The Programme will be as follows :-

- Monday, 29th. Dec. - Registration and measurement from 9 a.m.
2.30 p.m. – Invitation Race.
5.30 p.m. for 6.00 p.m. – Welcome Barbecue Function.
- Tuesday, 30th. Dec. - Race 1 - 10.30 a.m.
Race 2 - 1.30 p.m.
Race 3 - ASAP after Race 2.
- Wednesday, 31st. Dec. – Race 4 – 10.30 a.m.
Race 5 - 1.30 p.m.
Race 6 - ASAP after Race 5.
- New Years Day - Lay Day.
- Friday, 2nd. Jan. - Race 7 - 1.00 p.m.
Race 8 - ASAP after Race 7.
- Saturday, 3rd. Jan. - Race 9 - 1.00 p.m.
Race 10 - ASAP after Race 9.
6.30p.m. for 7.00p.m.- Presentation Dinner.

RESULTS will be presented in three categories, Open, Corrected time and Handicap.

The Open result will be decided on elapsed times and the winners will be the Australian Pacer Champions – 2008/9.

The corrected time result will be arrived at by applying a yardstick to remove any advantage boats with spinnakers may have over those without spinnakers. The winners will be the Australian Pacer Champions – 2008/9. (Corrected Time).

A Progressive Handicap System will be used to determine the handicap results. After each race, the leading group of boats will have their handicaps increased, and the trailing group have theirs reduced. This will ensure that less experienced and slower crews share in the prizes, rather than have them all won by the fastest few boats in the fleet. It can also provide some interesting calculations and tactics, particularly in the last few races.

TROPHIES.

Open category - 1st. - Polycell Prout Trophy
 And first placed prizes for skipper and crew.
 2nd. – Prizes for skipper and crew.
 3rd. - Prizes for skipper and crew.

Corrected Time
 Category - 1st.- Doyle Sails Trophy
 And first placed prizes for skipper and crew.
 2nd. – Prizes for skipper and crew.
 3rd. – Prizes for skipper and crew.

Handicap
 Category - 1st.- Prizes for skipper and crew.
 2nd. – Prizes for skipper and crew.
 3rd. – Prizes for skipper and crew.
 4th. - Prizes for skipper and crew.
 5th. – Prizes for skipper and crew.

ENTRY FEE.

Entry fee will be \$160.

This will include two tickets to the Welcome Barbecue Function (\$20 each) and two tickets to the Presentation Dinner (\$40 each).

The remaining regatta entry component of \$40 has been kept so low, thanks to the generosity of our sponsors.

Entries should be made “ On-line “. Entry forms and on-line payment information will be included with the “Notice of Race “ which will be available on the R.Q.Y.S. website, www.rqys.com.au from 1st. August,2008.

ELIGIBILITY

Skippers and crew must be members of an Australian Pacer Association, OR sail in a boat owned by a Group member of Pacer Queensland Inc., such as a school or club. Membership Application forms are available on the Pacer Q’ld. Website, www.pacerqld.org.au

MEASUREMENT

Each boat must have a current measurement certificate. The official measurer is Brian Hillier. He may be contacted at : brian.hillier@bla.com.au or by phone on: 07 3907 5500 or mobile : 0438 769 170 to arrange a suitable time to have your boat/s measured. This should be done well in advance of the regatta, as there will not be sufficient time to measure more than a few “out of town “ boats at the last minute.

ACCOMMODATION

The Manly Marina Cove Motel is situated in the Yacht Squadron’s grounds.

Phone – 07-33481000 or www.manlymarinacove.com

A limited area is available on site for camping – Contact Val. Meggs at RQYS.

Phone – 07- 33968666 or membership@rqys.com.au

The nearest caravan parks are :

ABC Caravan Park – Manly Rd., Tingalpa – Phone – 07-3390-4404.

& Belcaro Caravan Park – 1893, Wynnum Rd., Wynnum West –

Phone - 07-33963163

Dormitory accommodation is available at :

Yachting Queensland Dorms – Contact Kay – Phone 33936788 or

office@qldyachting.org.au