

RL 24 ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA

1. As you will be aware the Association is participating as an exhibitor in "Sailboat 76"  
To ensure the RL 24 is represented appropriately we need the co-operation of Association members in regard to:-

(a) Manning the display which will be accessible to the public as follows

Wed 26/5/76 to Fri 28/5/76	1.00 pm - 10.00 pm
Sat 29/5/76	10.00 am - 10.00 pm
Sun 30/5/76	12 noon - 6.00 pm

(see para 2 re Friday 28/5/76)

(b) Providing photographs for use on display boards. Color or black and white prints are equally acceptable. We also need a source of cheap carpet or seagrass matting.

(c) Assisting in setting up and dismantling the display. Move-in will be on Tuesday 25/5/76 and we must have the boat in position by 5 pm. Decorating the stand can continue until 11 pm. Move-out can commence at 6.30 pm on Sunday 30/5/76 but must be completed by 9.00 pm. As Niel Bourbaud and "Safari" will be returning to Maffra that evening it is essential that we have sufficient manpower to dismantle the stand and get them away at a reasonable hour.  
If you can help in any of these areas would you kindly contact Ross Corben at work on 7837777 or at home on 7637732. Incidentally members manning the stand are admitted to the exhibition free.

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2. As a number of country members have indicated that they propose to visit Melbourne for Sailboat 76 on the weekend of the 29th & 30th May, the committee has decided to hold a GENERAL MEETING of the Association on Friday 28th May 1976 commencing at 8.00 pm at the home of Anne and Roy Martin, 9 Manning Road, Malvern East 3145. Since some of our visitors will need overnight accomodation, Metropolitan members are asked to indicate whether or not they might be able to assist in this regard.  
Please note that, at the end of May, boats in back yards are NOT considered suitable accomodation however hardy our country brethren may be! If you can help please contact Mrs Rae Mahon on 994759.

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3. A matter which has received a good deal of attention from the committee is the subject of affiliation of the class with the V.Y.C. Unquestionably there are many good reasons for seeking affiliation not the least being that official recognition and acceptance of the class gives it a status it would not otherwise enjoy and tends to protect if not enhance the value of the boat as an asset. In these circumstances the committee has made application for affiliation with the V.Y.C. and a response from that body is expected shortly.  
In the meantime the committee is conscious of the importance of the class being backed up by a vigorous and representative Association. If the class is to continue to grow and develop and if its acceptability is to become unquestioned it needs the support of all RL 24 owners through membership of the Association. If you are not a member of the Victorian Association it costs a mere \$5.00 to join and either our Secretary Mrs Rae Mahon (24 Wattle Ave Beaumaris 3193, phone 994759) or our Treasurer Geof Olney (PO Box 202 Mt Evelyn 3796, phone 7362651) will be delighted to sign you on.

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4. No doubt the word is about that the 1976 RL 24 State Championships held at Lake Wellington Y.C. were thoroughly enjoyed by all with the possible exception of Doug Laity (Streaker No 104) who had the misfortune to break his mast. As usual the hospitality was exceptional and the weather very kind. Warm congratulations to Ken Hackett who won comfortably and to Niel Bourbaud and Martin Vandenberg who finished second and third respectively. The results of all heats are as follows:

	Heat 1	2	3	4	Total
Ken Hackett "Sasha"	3	2	2	1	5
Niel Bourbaud "Safari"	2	2	4	2	8
Martin Vandenberg "Merissa"	4	3	3	6	16
Celia Murray "Pamperoo"	5	6	6	4	21
Bruce Castles "Sundance"	7	4	7	8	26
Ross Corben "Timtarri"	8	5	5	9	27
Peter Trigger "Yogie Bear"	6	7	9	10	32
Roy Martin "Almitra"	9	11	2	11	33
Alby McCracken "Mr Christian"	2	12	14	7	35
Chris Laird "Lady Jane"	12	8	12	3	35
Don Castles "Noname"	11	10	11	5	37
Doug Laity "Streaker"	16	9	8	16	49
Mike Shannon "Lowana iii"	14	13	10	12	49
Bruce Lewis	10	14	13	16	53
Geof Olney "Scud"	15	16	15	13	59
David Cameron "Tapui"	16	15	16	16	63

The spirit of the series was typified by Geof and Arch Olney who, in one heat left the course to deposit a sea-sick crew member on the beach and then returned to the fray! They may not have featured prominently in the results but no one enjoyed the racing more than Geof and Arch.

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FOR SALE

"Sundance" RL 24 No 100. Price \$6,000 - \$6,500 depending on gear included. For further details phone Bruce Castles after hours on 051 442639.

"Tokara" RL 24 No 44. For price and other details contact Pat Mahon on 994759.