



SKI RACING VICTORIA

2007 - 2008 SEASON

**NOTICE TO CREW, MEMBERS &
COMPETITORS
FOR THE FORTHCOMING SEASON**

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Chairperson's Message 2007-08

Welcome to a new season of Ski Racing for Victoria.

With another very successful year behind us and a record number of entries and boats at our point score, Victoria is definitely the growing state of ski racing in Australia. As our sport has grown so have the many helpers and volunteers who get behind the scenes to make it happen. To everyone that helps out at the events, thank you. Remember to put your name down early at the point scores to show your willingness to help and to get the event on the water.

Speaking of water, it is going to be an area that we need to keep buoyant on. We are looking at some other venues around the state where we may be able to hold our growing event. These places are currently being looked at by fellow committee people, so when we have more information we will pass this on.

Robinvale this year was again a great success. Thank you to everyone who participated and helped out during the weekend. A planning meeting has again been scheduled for late October to start arranging an organising committee to embrace the event.

With the Annual General Meeting being held early in the year it has allowed for more planning to go into the running of Ski Racing Victoria point scores and to have various portfolios taken on by the committee and dealt with.

We welcome back to the committee Max Wilkinson, Steve Shipp, Dave Bishop, Luke Watts, Wayne Watson and myself, Tony Wilson. New to the board are Colin McQuinn, Joanne Martin and Dean Trickey.

A motion was moved to increase the committee from 9 to 11. This motion was successful and the two new members elected on the night were Bernie Elliott and Jason Dick.

Retiring from the Board is Peter Strike, Scott Agar and Richard Bormann. To these three guys, Ski Racing Victoria wishes to thank you for the work that you have contributed to the board over the last three years.

This year we have been working on a new computerized race management system to assist the administration point score coordinators in process the 300 plus entries we receive at our events. The system is new and has also had a time management system implements to allow times to be entered direct to the race being run. This will enable results to be posted within 5 minutes of races finishing, hence cutting out the post race hours of processing the results back to the race system.

When you become a member of Ski Racing Australia this season, you automatically become a member of Ski Racing Victoria. Therefore there is no need to join Victoria. SRV still offer associated memberships for people who wish to be updated on what is happening within the state but don't wish to be a member of SRA.

Congratulations to the team of Stalker for winning the Perisher Blue Super Series for 2006-07 season.

On behalf of the SRV committee, I thank you all for helping to keep this great family sport alive and look forward to the up and coming season of 07/08.

Regards
Tony Wilson
Chairperson SRV

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SRV Board & Contacts

**Please call board members after hours,
between 7.30pm and 9.30pm
as we all have work to attend to.**

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Ski Racing Victoria Administration

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Any person wishing to compete in ski racing events must be a financial member of Ski Racing Australia Inc. Proof of payment may be requested at any event.

Ski Racing Rules

Please ensure you have read the SRA rulebook for this season. Current rules are in effect for all events and competitors must know and understand the official ski racing rules. Up to date rulebooks can be obtained from the Ski Racing Australia web site www.skiracing.com.au

Competitors Membership

Competitors are advised to have their own personal ambulance coverage – this is not covered under the SRA insurance.

Boat Owners

Current copies of Maritime Registration and boat licence should be carried at each event. If registration and/or licence expire during the season please forward a copy to SRA so that their records are up to date.

Competition Drivers Licence Application

Prospective drivers are required to undertake a test with an SRV Licence Tester to be eligible to compete in ski racing or marathon events sanctioned by Ski Racing Australia. Before applying for testing, please be aware of the following requirements:

- Be conversant with current SRA ski racing rules and amendments. (Can be obtained from SRA web site)
- Must have passed a current SRA medical examination.
- Furnished particulars of membership with Ski Racing Australia and a Maritime licence.
- Attained the age of 18 years.
- Attended a first aid awareness course.

Competition Observers Licence Application

Prospective observers are required to undertake a written test with an SRV Licence Tester to be eligible to compete in ski racing or marathon events sanctioned by SRA. Before applying for testing, please be aware of the following requirements:

- Be conversant with the current SRA Ski Racing Rules and amendments. (Can be obtained from SRA web site)
- Must have passed a current SRA medical examination.
- Furnished particulars of membership with Ski Racing Australia.
- Attained the age of 16 years.
- Attended a first aid awareness course.

Note: The holder of a current relevant classification competition Driver's licence automatically qualifies for an Observers licence.

Competition Drivers & Observers Licence Renewal

Your driver and/or observers licence must be renewed each season.

Your medical examination may vary from two years to just a few months, depending on the individual. You will be informed of the date of the next medical examination required by SRA on your Membership Card.

Please Note: If a Driver or Observer has not competed for a period of two (2) Seasons they will be required to be retested for their licence.

Rookie Driver (SRV Point score only)

Is a new Licensed driver who has not completed a minimum of 5 point score events without incident. After this, application is to be made to SRV for removal of Rookie status. The SRV Board must be satisfied with performance or more races may be required prior to approval. Whilst racing, a 25mm red stripe is to be worn along bottom of number board. Rookies will start on the outside of field. At Briefing Rookie Drivers will have a separate briefing after the main briefing.

Age Divisions

Ages of competitors prior to midnight on the 30th June of the current Ski Racing Calendar year, determines the skiers age Division for the following season.

Skiers may ski up into higher age divisions, i.e. a skier who's age division is under 13 boys can ski up into any higher age division.

Age divisions are as per the point score entry form and not the SRA rule book.

Veterans is the only class that may ski down a division and this is only into seniors.

Novice Classes

All Novice competitors have to complete a Novice Application form, which lists their experience. This form needs to be completed and sent to SRV for ratification before entering a novice class. Refer to SRA rule book.

SRV Point Score Boat Numbers

Max Wilkinson will issue boat race numbers. Existing numbers will be retained and new numbers (spare) will be issued to new applicants upon request. Numbers are to be as per SRA rules. Boats that have not raced in a point score series race for 2 seasons will forfeit their race number. Note: Boats entering Classics only will not be subject to registration of boat numbers.

Entries

Entries close the Wednesday fortnight before the event.
Payment must accompany the entry otherwise the entry is not accepted.

Ski Racing Victoria
P.O. Box 2147
Echuca, Vic 3564
Fax: 03 54802451

Enquiries regarding entries contact :
Dianne Tuohey on
0427 372 895 after 6pm

Cost per entry: \$25.00 (received prior to closing date)
Under 10 entries: No charge
Late entry cost: \$40.00
Late entries close: 3 races prior to event, and entrant will be placed on the outside of the field.

Marathon entry: \$25.00
Marathons will only be held at Lake Charm events.
Age Divisions for this class are Open Men, Open Women, Under 16 Boys, Under 16 Girls

SRV Credits

SRV Credits are given for a non-start in an event on the following proviso:

- That the skier is injured and cannot compete again that day
- The boat is broken and is unable to compete in that event
- The entry is a yearly entry and the team is unable to compete in that event due to non-attendance.
- Credits to be awarded by the entries coordinator before the 10-minute hooter for the event in question.

SRV Credits can only be used for entry at the next point score event. Outstanding credits may be refunded at the end of the season by cheque and will not carry over to the next year.

POINT SCORE SERIES - RACE DAY INFORMATION

Briefing.

All drivers & observers must attend briefing and fill in sign-in sheets.

It is preferred that skiers attend briefing and they must fill in the sign-in sheets regardless.

Sign-in sheets will be available 20 minutes prior to the advertised start time of briefing. At the start of the briefing, sheets will be removed and any driver or observer who has not signed in, may not be permitted to race. **No briefing - No start.** Once you have entered the briefing area you are not to leave for any circumstance, or your name will be removed from the sign-in sheet.

Drivers and Observers need to attend one briefing, prior to racing, over the 2 day point score event.

Helpers

All teams will be required to provide assistance when requested on race day.

Teams should provide a volunteer at briefing, with an indication of where they can assist.

The volunteer will be allocated a job during the course of racing.

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Race Day Incident Reports

At the end of each day's racing, a race day report needs to be completed and signed by all team members who competed for that day. This form records whether there have been any incidents as defined in SRA rule 2.09 - 'An incident is defined as an occurrence that results in the competitor needing to seek medical attention whether at the scene or following any competition.'

Failure to hand in race day reports at the completion of the days racing, to the Judges tower, will result in the non-allocation of points.

Point Score Series Venues

PS 1 – Lake Kangaroo PS 2, 3 & 4 – Lake Charm PS 5 – Paynesville
Victorian Titles – Lake Charm

Point Score Series Race Day Format

Events 1a & 1b are two (2) skier races and will run at the beginning of the day, consisting of 30 minutes plus one lap.

All other events will be one (1) skier races.

**Saturday: 1st Briefing 9.30am, Start 10.00am
2nd Briefing 10.15am**

**Sunday: Briefing 8.30am, Start 9.00am
Marathon Briefing 7.45am, Start 8.00am**

1a	Unlimited Inboard	30mins	10	Marathon	6 laps
1b	Unlimited Outboard	+ 1 lap			
2a	Under 13 Boys	3 laps	11a	Under 30 Women	5 laps
2b	Under 13 Girls	3 laps	11b	Veteran Women	5 laps
2c	Novice Social	3 laps	12a	Social Men	6 laps
			12b	Open Women	6 laps
3a	Under 10 Boys	2 laps	13a	60mph Expert	4 laps
3b	Under 10 Girls	2 laps	13b	First Year Novice	4 laps
4a	Social Women	4 laps	14	Open Men	8 laps
4b	60mph Social	4 laps			
5a	Under 16 Boys	4 laps	15a	SMOC	4 laps
5b	Under 16 Girls	4 laps	15b	6 Litre	4 laps
5c	Novice Men	4 laps			
5d	Novice Women	4 laps	16a	Senior Men	5 laps
			16b	Senior Women	5 laps
6a	Stock 6 litre	4 laps	17a	MOC	4 laps
6b	Formula 2	4 laps	17b	8 Litre	4 laps
6c	5.2 Litre	4 laps			
6d	2.5 Litre Outboard	4 laps			
7a	19–Under 25 men	6 laps			
7b	Under 19 Boys	6 laps			
8a	19-Under 25 women	6 laps			
8b	Under 19 Girls	6 laps			
9a	Under 30 Men	6 laps			
9b	Veteran Men	6 laps			

General Point Score Information

Medical Assistance: Competition boats etc. requiring medical assistance, are to wave their blue and white medical flag.

Broken Down: If requiring a tow, a paddle is to be held in the air in a stationary position from the deck of your boat, to inform the official boats assistance is required.

Skier Down: The safety flag is to be held stationary and clear of obstruction, or placed in the flag holder clear of obstructions, to indicate skier down.

Ambulance

Will be called if required. A paramedic is stationed in the rescue boat on course if needed.

If transported by ambulance the competitor bears the cost involved. It is suggested that all competitors are members of the ambulance service.

Any competitor participating who is hospitalized or sustains any injury during the racing season, which in the opinion of Officials may affect the competitor's or others' safety, must present a Doctor's release in writing stating that he/she is fit to resume Ski Racing at SPEED. This needs to be approved by official/s to continue racing for the season. Refer SRA Rule 11.2.c.

Point Score Series Scoring System

The series is run on a point score basis with all boats, drivers, observer & skiers earning points for competing in each of their eligible divisions and classes.

The points will be as follows:-

1st place = 100 points; 2nd place = 95 points; 3rd place = 90 points; 4th place = 85 points; 5th place = 80 points, 6th place = 75 points and so on. If there are more than 20 boats in an event, then the remaining competitors will receive 2 points for a start and a finish.

A DNF (start and a non-finish) = 1 point.

A DSQ (disqualification) = 0 points.

The Victorian Titles also count as a point score, making it a six race point score series.

Note: Victorian Titles entries will remain as previous years, with no late entries available on the day. The closing date for entries will be noted on the entry form.

Competitors are allowed to drop 1 race, (their poorest result), from the 6 race series.

The competitor's total point score will be calculated from their best 5 results.

If there is a tied result, then there will be a count back of all events, including the dropped race. If still tied then a joint result will be awarded.

Presentation Night

Usually held in July, a venue and timing will be advised in our newsletter before the last point score event.

Special Awards for the Point Score Series

Boat of the year

Race number 1 will be awarded to the boat of the year. Score will be based on all events competed, same driver not required. Highest point scorer will be winner. No events are dropped. Count back if tied result.

Driver of the year.

Score will be based on all events competed, same boat not required. Highest point scorer will be winner. No events are dropped. Count back if tied result.

Observer of the year.

Score will be based on all events competed, same boat not required. Highest point scorer will be winner. No events are dropped. Count back if tied result.

Male Highest point scorer of the year.

Points will be totalled from the following 4 events only – Open, Social, Own Age Division & an Engine Class. Same boat not required. Highest point scorer will be winner. No events are dropped. Count back if tied result.

Female Highest point scorer of the year.

Points will be totalled from the following 4 events only – Open, Social, Own Age Division & an Engine Class. Same boat not required. Highest point scorer will be winner. No events are dropped. Count back if tied result.

Rookie Driver of the year.

To be awarded to the Rookie driver starting in the season of racing who, in the opinion of the board of SRV, has displayed an understanding of SRA rules, competed in a fair manner, and assisted SRV where required in the running of events.

Chairman's award.

Score will be based on the highest scoring boat and team with the same members competing in an event or events. Highest point scorer will be winner. No events are dropped. Count back if tied result.

Full Season awards

Scott Dominguez Male Skier of the year.

Nominations for Male Skier of the year are to be sent to the Secretary of SRV in the month of May, giving details including copies of results of all events competed in across all SRA sanction ski-racing events.

The board of SRV will consider all nominations and select who, in their belief, to be the best male skier for the season.

Female Skier of the year.

Nominations for female Skier of the year are to be sent to the Secretary of SRV in the month of May, giving details including copies of results of all events competed in across all SRA sanction ski-racing events.

The board of SRV will consider all nominations and select who, in their belief, to be the best female skier for the season.

Ashley French - Most improved junior skier male or female U19 years of age.

Nominations for most improved junior skier of the year are to be sent to the Secretary of SRV in the month of May, giving details including copies of results of all events competed in across all SRA sanction ski-racing events. Reasons to also be included, as to the amount of improvement for the season.

The board of SRV will consider all nominations and select who, in their belief, to be the most improved skier for the season.

Club Person of the Year.

Nominations for Club Person of the year are to be sent to the Secretary of SRV in the month of May, giving details as to why this person/s should be given the award.

The board of SRV will consider all nominations and select who, in their belief, to be the best Club Person for the season.

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SRV CALENDAR 2007-2008

31st Aug, 1st & 2nd Sep 2007	<u>Hawkesbury 120</u>	Windsor
8th & 9th September 2007	Point Score 1	Lake Kangaroo
28th, 29th & 30th September 2007	Grafton Bridge to Bridge	Grafton
6th & 7th October 2007	Point Score 2	Lake Charm
13th October 2007	Barrie Beehag Ski Race Classic	Echuca
2nd, 3rd & 4th November 2007	Murray Bridge 110	Murray Bridge, SA
17th & 18th November 2007	Point Score 3	Lake Charm
23rd, 24th & 25th November 2007	<u>Bridge to Bridge Water Ski Classic</u>	Hawkesbury River NSW
8th & 9th December 2007	Victorian State Titles	Lake Charm
4th - 6th January 2008	Australian Titles	TBA
2nd & 3rd February 2008	Point Score 4	Lake Charm
8th, 9th & 10th February 2008	<u>Club Marine Southern 80</u>	Echuca
7th, 8th & 9th March 2008	Robinvale Euston Ski Race	Robinvale
21st, 22nd & 23rd March 2008	<u>Mildura 100 Water Ski Classic</u>	Mildura
19th & 20th April 2007	Point Score 5	Paynesville
26th & 27th April 2008	Trans Tasman Challenge	New Zealand
10th & 11th May 2007	Barry Carne Memorial	Wagga Wagga
7th & 8th June 2008	SA Titles	Murray Bridge