DATE: 21st December 2018

AUSTRALIA - VICTORIA

No. 395(T) - 2018

LOCAL PORT OF BARWON HEADS

BARWON RIVER, Barwon Heads Sailing Association Events exemption from certain rules

Date: 26th December 2018

Details: Mariners are advised that;

Barwon Heads Sailing Association organized and scheduled boating activity events in the Barwon River north of the Barwon Heads Bridge, part of the waters of the Local Port of Barwon Heads from 26 December 2018 to 15 December 2019 are exempt from certain rules of the Marine Safety Act, *Marine Safety Regulations 2012* (Vic) and the waterway rules as detailed here;

1. Vessels associated with the Barwon Heads Sailing Association 2018-2019 calendar events are exempt from the requirements to operate a vessel at a speed not exceeding 5 knots:
   (i) within 50 metres of another vessel;
   (ii) within 200 metres of the waters’ edge;
   (iii) within 50 metres of wharf, jetty, slipway, diving platform or boat ramp
   (iv) within the 5 knot speed restriction zone
   as detailed in clauses 2(c), 4(a), 4(b) and clause 10.1 of Schedule 10 of the Vessel Operating and Zoning Rules.

2. The exemptions in clause 1 above will apply only to operators and vessels associated with the event which are noted on a list of member participants maintained by Barwon Heads Sailing Association.

The exemptions apply for only the dates and times in Barwon Heads Sailing Association 2018-2019 calendar of events as appended;

- BHSA Summer Schedule 2018 -19,
- BHSA Riversholme / Easter Race schedule 2019,

*Mariners are advised to exercise caution when navigating in the Barwon River navigable channel.*

*Mariners are further advised to monitor the forming wave conditions on the approach to the river entry at all times, mariners should be aware of submerged reef areas, Formby reef to the east and the fringing reef of the Barwon Head to the west.*
Further information can be obtained by contacting the Local Port of Barwon Heads on: (03) 5254 1118 during usual office hours

Charts & Publications
Aus 143 Port Philip Bay
Australian Pilot Volume II (12th Ed 2013) Page 97

Affected:

Victorian Charts & Publications affected: Schedule 10 Vessel Operating and Zoning Rules

Other Notices:
No. 53/06, issued 31/03/06, Port of Barwon Heads, River Entrance Sand Movements - Possible Reduction in Depth

No. 140(T), 2007, issued 02/11/07, Isolated hazard, wreckage awash at low tide, east of Barwon River entrance.

No. 238 – 2015, issued 11/12/2015, Sector Light Aid to Navigation

No. 38-2016, issued 01/02/2016, Shallow ground river navigation channel

No. 179(T) – 2017, MSV, issued 26/06/2017, Bass Strait – Barwon Heads

Further Notice: No further notice will be issued.

This Notice to Mariners is issued by the Barwon Coast Committee of Management Inc. delegated Local Port Manager for the Local Port of Barwon Heads for Transport for Victoria.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
DECLARATION OF BOATING ACTIVITY EXEMPTION

Barwon Coast Committee of Management as the declared waterway manager for the Local Port of Barwon Heads, makes the following declaration under section 203(3) of the Marine Safety Act 2010.

For the purpose of conducting the Barwon Heads Sailing Association 2018-2019 calendar of events conducted exclusively in the declared waters of the Local Port of Barwon Heads upstream of the Barwon Heads Bridge, the masters of participating vessels are exempt from:

State Rules made under the Marine Act 1988
1. Clause 2(c) – 5 knots within 50 metres of another vessel – for competitors and rescue vessels;
2. Clause 4(a) – 5 knots within 200 metres of the water’s edge – for competitors and rescue vessels;
3. Clause 4(b) – 5 knots within 50 metres of a wharf, jetty, slipway, diving platform or boat ramp - for rescue vessels; and

Waterway Rules made under the Marine Safety Act 2010 / Marine Act 1988

Subject to the conditions detailed below:

1. The masters of participating vessels are exempt from item 1 only when operating within 50 metres of another competing vessel. Event vessels are those noted on a current membership list maintained by Barwon Heads Sailing Association.
2. The masters of the rescue vessels are only exempt from item 1-4 when undertaking a rescue operation to retrieve persons in distress, provide for their initial medical or other needs and deliver them to a place of safety on shore.
3. The exemptions apply for the dates and times in the Barwon Heads Sailing Association calendar of events between 26 December 2018 to 15 December 2019 as published on Barwon Coast Committee of Management’s website and the Barwon Heads Sailing Association website, provided that the stated safety controls and undertakings detailed in the Application for Boating Activity Exemptions and Exclusion Zones and Barwon Heads Sailing Association Safety Management Plan, are adhered to.

BY ORDER OF BARWON COAST COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT INC

Dated: 18th December 2018
BHSA RACE SCHEDULES 2018-19
Race events begin one hour prior to the charted high tide of the day
Race events are usually targeted for 2 hours duration, depend on wind conditions

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