

Sailing Selection Criteria 2026

1. Program Overview

The Barwon Sports Academy (BSA) Sailing Program supports young sailors in the Barwon Region, including Bellarine and Western regions. In partnership with Royal Geelong Yacht Club and Australian Sailing (AS), the program provides pathways to State, National, and international representation.

2. Eligibility Criteria

- Age: 12–20 years
 - Club/association membership: Affiliated with Royal Geelong Yacht Club or recognized by Australian Sailing
 - Must reside in Barwon Region
 - Commitment: Attend training sessions, competitions, and development programs
 - Other sport-specific requirements: Performance in AS sanctioned events and potential for state or national selection
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3. Selection Criteria

- Consistent high-standard performance in Australian Sailing sanctioned events over the previous 12 months
 - Selection into Australian Youth Sailing teams or recommendation by Royal Geelong Yacht Club, Program Manager, coaches, or Australian Sailing
 - Qualification for World Championships in recognized sailing classes
 - Attitude, coachability, and commitment to development
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4. Application Process

- Apply via: Application link on BSA Website
- Application deadlines: Monday, 24th November 2025

5. Selection Process

- Selection panel: BSA Program Manager, sailing coaches, RGYC representatives, and Australian Sailing officials
- Trials / talent ID: Performance review and recommendations from partner clubs and coaches
- Notification of successful / unsuccessful applicants: Applicants notified via email and will include induction details for 2026

6. Membership & Induction

- Membership fees \$420 for full membership
- Induction: 1st Year Athletes Induction Monday 2nd February and Returning Athletes Induction Wednesday 4th February 2026
- Athlete responsibilities: Must complete athlete forms and contract (this includes Code of Conduct) as well as complete membership payment by the end of February

7. Key Dates

Date	Event
24/11/25	Application closes
02/02/26	1 st Year Athlete Induction Evening
04/02/26	Returning Athlete Induction Evening

8. Contact Information

- Program Manager – Tony Bull 0438 212 930 bullsails@live.com.au

8. Notes / Special Considerations

- Panel may select athletes outside standard criteria based on potential or performance (skippers' call)
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