**ASC Guideline for Use of Club Powerboats and Equipment 17 June 2020**

**RACE OFFICER (OOD) to communicate requirements to duty personnel and others at Club.**

***Powerboats may only be used for*** race starts & finishes, laying buoys, patrolling sailing areas, sail training, and providing assistance to boat users with gear failure or personal health issues.

Powerboats to be used in a way that follows best operating practices and COVID19 distancing and personal hygiene prescriptions.

***On a club programmed sailing day a duty crew of two assigned to each RIB*** to be used.
One person designated as boat driver, the other as assistant.
The two designated people are the only people to use that boat on that day, unless exceptional circumstances requiring a substitute.
 ***If a person sailing on Albert Park Lake encounters a problem which requires attendance by a club powerboat***
\* Every effort for sailior to resolve their problem without direct contact from person on RIB : self right boat; regain composure; tow boat and/or person to shore; or suggest walk to shore.

\* *If a more serious health issue requires transfer into powerboat, RIB operators decide actions.*
 - Powerboat operators may decide to use a mask or similar PPE which they carry.
 - A portable ladder device if available may be deployed for injured person to use.
 - The powerboat assistant may step out of powerboat into Lake or boat so room for person.
 - If injured person requires assistance onto powerboat either pull them up via life jacket facing outwards. OR organise a call to 000 for assistance.

***Launching and retrieval of powerboats***The two race management boats (ASC - Aerial II, and APYC - Pilot) are on swing moorings.
RIBs may be launched and retrieved using a painter rope via ramps if preserves social distancing of at least 1.5 metres. Alternatively use a winch device.

***Cleaning of powerboats and race management equipment***
At the end of a day of powerboat use, COVID19 related cleaning of the powerboat and equipment needs to occur over and above usual cleaning. To be undertaken by RIB crew, with Race Officer oversight. Use cleaning items provided in club boatyard.
\* Disinfectant wipes or spray on motors and motor controls, fuel tank, any ropes used.
 \* RIB tubes, and RIB seat areas to cleaned with soapy water and washed off ideally in one of the gravel areas so that residues not discharged onto grassed areas or the Lake,
 \* Disinfectant wipes or spray on flags and buoys used, and any club lifejackets, etc.

***After cleaning return RIB's to boatyard storage, and place on covers.***Final wipe of areas touched in putting RIB's away.