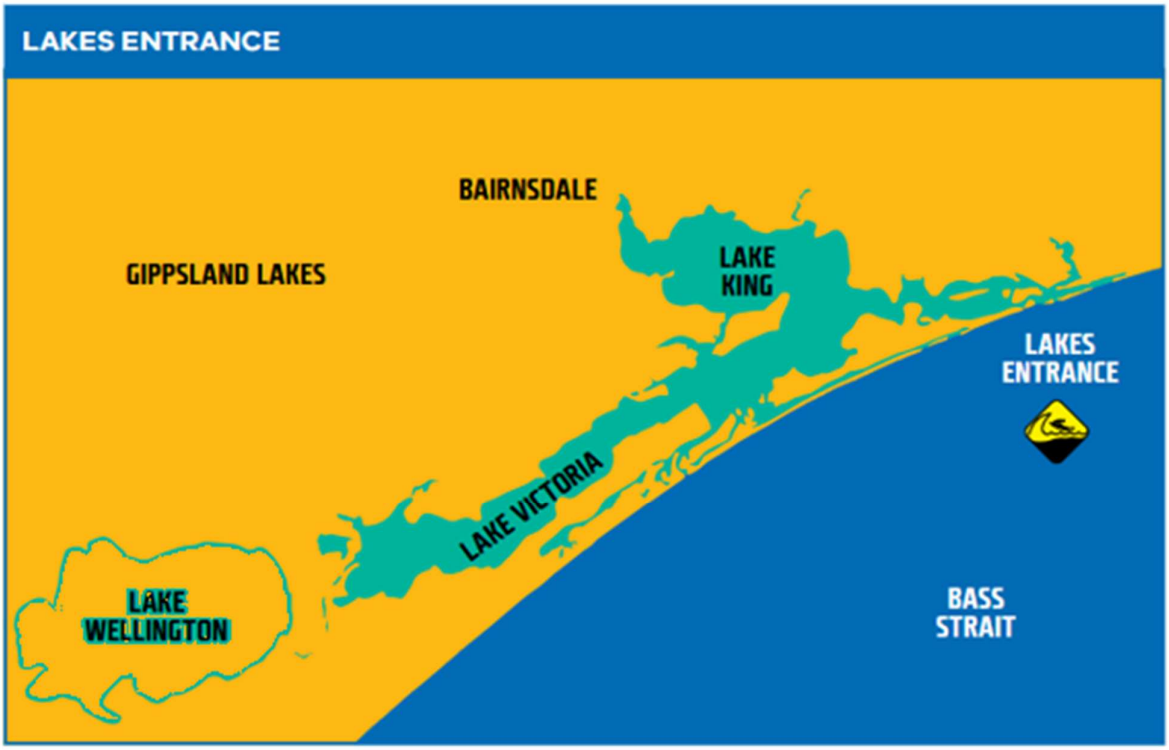
NATIONAL WHITTLEY RALLY 2027 - GIPPSLAND LAKES

MANDATORY SAFETY EQUIPMENT REQUIRED FOR ALL BOATS

All cruises during the National Whittley Rally 2027 on the Gippsland Lakes will be conducted in **"Enclosed Waters"** as shown in light blue below.



You as the Captain / Operator of your Whittley are responsible for the safe operation of your boat under **Safe Transport Victoria** regulations.

To ensure your Whittley meets the Mandatory Safe Transport Victoria Regulations please use the below link to review the requirements of safe boating operation in Victoria.

https://safetransport.vic.gov.au/on-the-water/recreational-boating/safety-equipment/

If you cannot open the above link please copy and paste it into your browser.

The National Whittley Rally will be conducted using the Whittley Club Victoria cruise protocol. All rally crews will receive a copy of the WCV cruise protocol document via email.

Each boat will undergo a pre-rally boat safety inspection on launch day - Wednesday 24 February 2027.

FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS RALLY, WHITTLEY CLUB VICTORIA REQUIRES THE FOLLOWING MANDATORY OPERATIONAL EQUIPMENT ON EACH BOAT.

Boating Equipment:

- One off tow-rope a minimum of 30 metre X 10 mm **attached to front eyebolt and stored ready to use in anchor well or on bow rail. This is not a mooring line but a dedicated tow rope to be used in an emergency for towing your boat to safety.**
- Working VHF marine radio
- Minimum of 4 fenders
- Minimum of 4 mooring ropes to be attached to front and rear cleats on both port and starboard sides
- Minimum of 1 springer
- Operational Anchor
- Note: No tender required for any cruising on the Gippsland Lakes

Your Tail End Charlie will carry the following additional boating equipment for each group:

- One long rope minimum of 20 metres to be available in case it is required as a stern line.
- One off plastic or metal stake and associated hammer/equipment for stern line.

If you have any questions, please give me a call.

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