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PORT OF MELBOURNE FAIRWAY THROUGH PORT PHILLIP HEADS RIP SWIM EVENT

Date: 9 July 2026

Refers: N/A

Details: Mariners are advised that a swim event will take place (weather dependant) between Point Nepean and Point Lonsdale in the Fairway Through Port Phillip Heads on **18 July 2026 from 10:45 hrs to 12:15 hrs.**

The swim event will consist of **26 swimmers** in total. The swimmers will be supported by event vessels, who will be monitoring **VHF Channels 71 (primary channel) and 12**. The event organiser may be contacted on **0423 118 036 / 0412 023 688**. Event vessels will display flags to identify the position of swimmers to other boats operating in the area.

The following event vessels will be in attendance:

1. *Proline* (main emergency management vessel)
2. RHIB - call sign *Swim Director*
3. 2 x PWC
4. 6 x kayaks

On 18 July 2026 from 10:45 hrs to 12:15 hrs, commercial vessel (SOLAS) movements will be coordinated around the swim event.

Domestic commercial vessels (DCV) may transit the Fairway Through Port Phillip Heads during the course of the swim event provided the vessel makes contact with the event vessels prior to transiting to ensure a safe passing distance and speed with swimmers.

Recreational vessels are to navigate with additional caution when transiting the Fairway Through Port Phillip Heads during the course of the swim event, keeping well clear of swimmers and event vessels.

Should the swim event on **18 July 2026** be cancelled due to weather conditions, the swim event will be rescheduled to take place on **19 July 2026**. Mariners will be advised through an updated Notice to Mariners as required.

For further information, please email the Navigation Services department at NavigationServices@ports.vic.gov.au or contact Lonsdale VTS on 9644 9700.

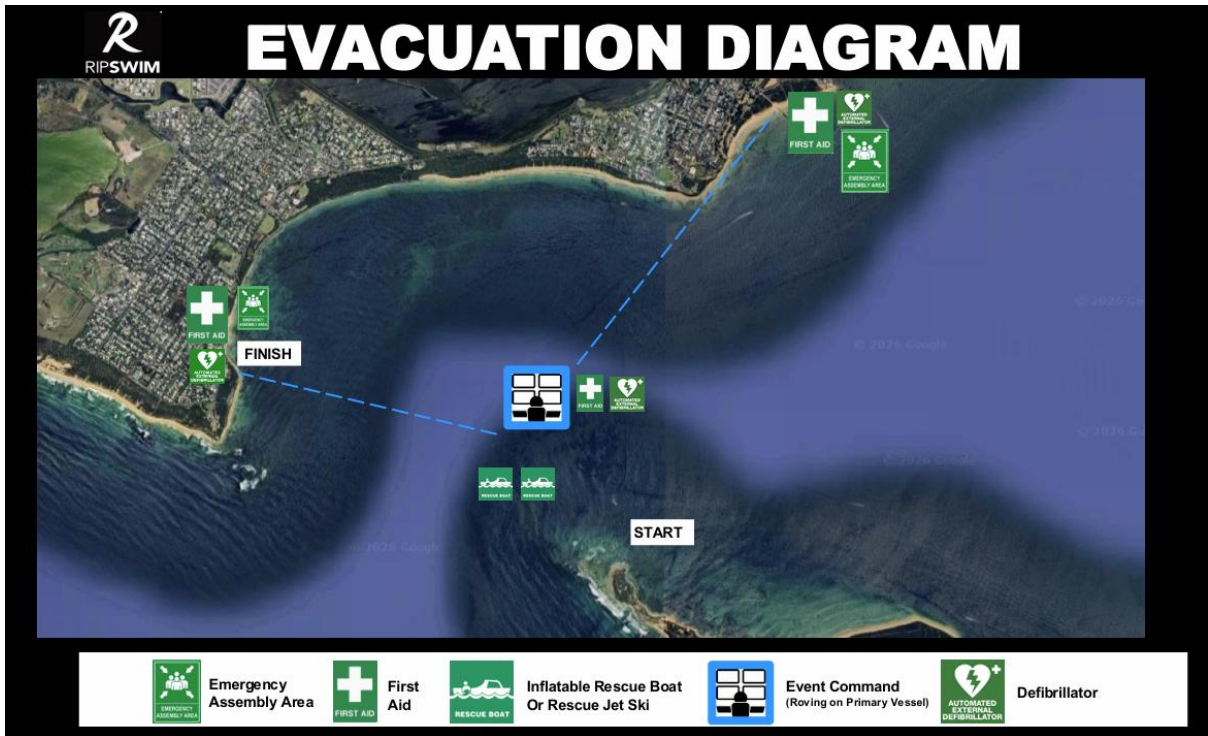
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Further notice:

This is a self-cancelling NtM and no further notice will be issued

**Andrew Hays
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Event course and evacuation diagram

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