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## VICTORIAN RA & R10 1991 TITLES.

*(report from Ed Kennedy)*

The venue was Albert Park Lake and the events were sailed on the 2/3 November. The Class racing was split into morning and afternoon sessions with **Alan Drinkell** being the O.O.D. for the R10 fleet and **Eddy Kennedy** the O.O.D. for the RA fleet.

The entries were down on previous years, reflecting the quiet period the sport is going through at the moment in Victoria, with only 7 entries in each Class.

The RA's started off on Saturday in very light conditions, with **Bill**

**Van-Nieuwenhoven** sailing in his first RA State Title and catching the more favoured skippers by surprise with 4 wins in the first 6 races.

This left the fleet trying to catch up for the rest of the weekend. On the Sunday, however, the breeze freshened and the other boats started to make their bid, with **Brian Carroll** in particular having a run of victories.

**Rod Clack**, unfortunately, had radio bugs, missing several races before finally

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fixing the problem. Finally in the last race **Brian Carroll** won the heat and the title by one point from **Bill Van-Nieuwenhoven**, with a fair gap to **Rod Clack** in third.

In the R10 Class the fleet was much more evenly matched with most of the boats much closer together with many fine duels going on in most races. This provided much entertainment, with five of the seven boats winning races at various times, which kept the scores quite close. However, the winner, **Bill Palmer**, showed an excellent temperament for the two days and with his well prepared boat he held off a late challenge by **Cameron Clarke**. **Brian Carroll** sailed consistently for a close third, on a countback with **Gordon Davidson**, who also put in a consistent effort. **Brian Ealy** was less than two points behind **Gordon**, another consistent performer in a very evenly matched fleet.

### RA RESULTS:

1. B.Carroll/28.1
2. B.V/Nieuwenhoven/29.1
3. R.Clack/43.6
4. C.Clarke/45.1
5. G.Davidson/63.7
6. A.Drinkell/92.0
7. C.Cotter/132.0

### R10 RESULTS:

1. B.Palmer/36.5
2. C.Clarke/38.7
3. B.Carroll/50.8
4. G.Davidson/50.8
5. B.Ealy/52.5
6. E.Kennedy/82.4
7. C.Cotter/112.0

NOTE! **Alan Drinkell** put in a big weekend as O.O.D. for the R10's and attempting to compete and tune a new boat in its first races, the RA having only been completed a couple of nights before.

## A.C.T. 'A' TITLES.

*by David Burns.*

Three visitors from the Bicentennial Park club in Sydney joined five local skippers on the weekend 19/20 September at Bowen Park for the 1991 ACT 'A' Class Championship. The event was sailed over 25 races, in a single fleet. Conditions on both days were very light