



Australian National Championship Results

1968 - 1969 sailed the under the Burgee of Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania

17 Flying Fifteens assembled in Hobart for the seventh championship representing Tasmania, Victoria and New South Wales

The invitation race and heat one were postponed because of heavy weather. Racing eventually got away in a 35 knot north westerly which moderated during the race. Goose sailed by Athol Lidgett and Richard Ranger won by 4.1 seconds from Athene sailed by J.Hyslop.

Race 2 was won by Stan Brown sailing Nicole by 14 seconds from Pat Hurley sailing Flip. The fifth heat was a near disaster for some competitors when a gale hit southern Tasmania with gusts up to 65 knots complete with red dust from the Wimmera and Mallee regions. Eight boats managed to finish before the first gust struck, they and the remainder of the fleet tried to survive the worst of the weather dropping their sails and tying up to moorings. Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania were busy rescuing competitors and safely accounted for all competitors and boats.

Unfortunately we do not have a full set of results for this series, however, the first place getters were:

Place	Boat #	Boat Name	Helm	Crew	Home State
1	961	Relience II	Bill Shand	Hal Shand	Vic
2	706	Quartet	Nick King	No record	NSW
3	661	Nicole	Stan Brown	K. Brown	Tas