

MHYC

Race Management Team Briefing

Season 2026-2027





MHYC Season 2025–2026



Agenda

- Officiating, Training & Accreditation
- Safety & Risk Management
- Race Management Equipment
- Racing Rules of Sailing
- Handbook & Race Documents
- MHYC Race Series
- Regattas
- Winter Series
- Port Authority & VTS
- Questions





Race Management Development, Training and Accreditation



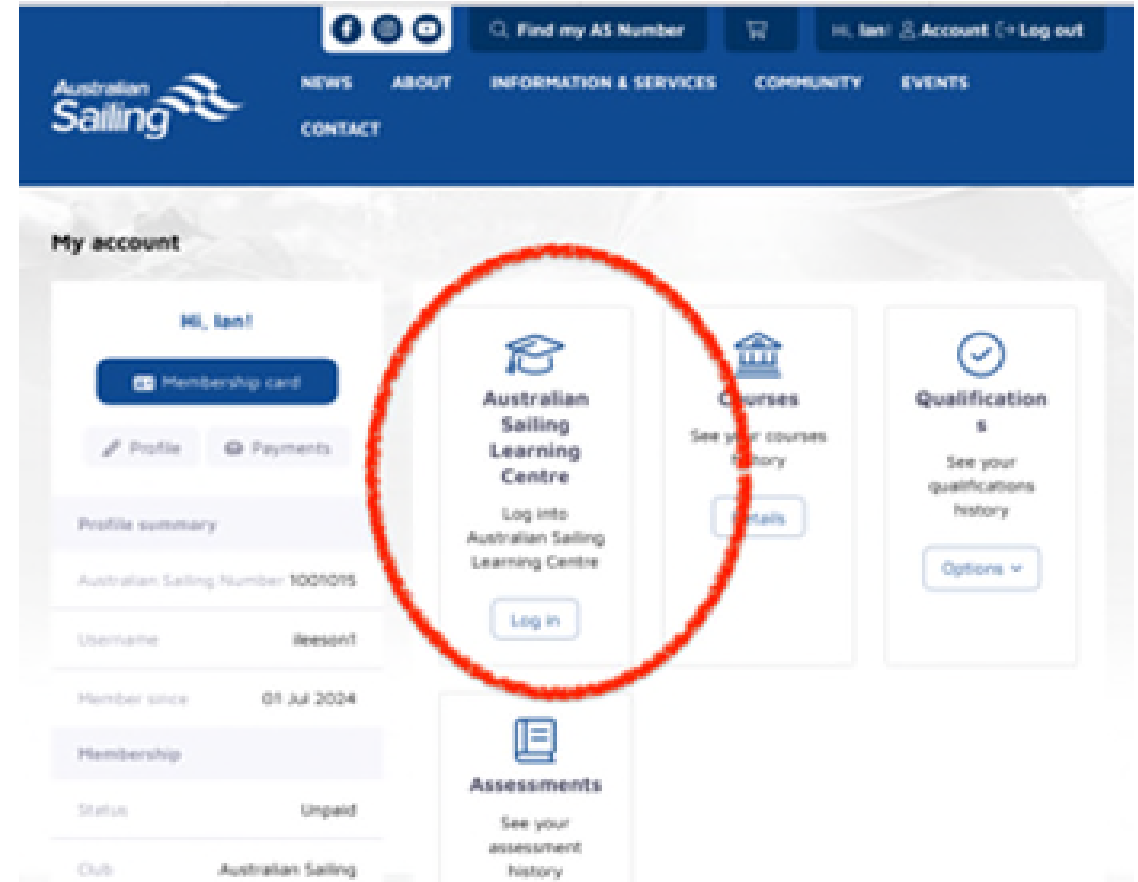
Australian Sailing Learning Management System

- Modern interface – 32 courses across Instructor, Coach, Official and Club/Class Management roles).
- Modular learning – no duplicate courses across multiple qualifications).
- Access to Australian Sports Commission & Sport Integrity Australia resources



Learning Management System (LMS)

- Seamless Single Sign-On via Australian Sailing profile.
- Certificates automatically on individual profile within 24 hours.



eLearning Courses for Officials

Australian Sailing Courses

- Equipment Auditor – Club
- Race Officer – Committee & Finish Boat
- Race Officer – Mark Layer
- Judge – Protest Committee Member
- Powerboat Program Essential Skills

Australian Sports Commission Courses

- Safeguarding Children and Young People in Sport
- Community Officiating Essential Skills
- Facilitation Essential Skills
- PBTR Harassment & Discrimination

The screenshot displays the Australian Sailing eLearning portal. The top navigation bar includes the Australian Sailing logo and links for Home, Record of Learning, Find Learning, and Reports. A user profile for Niall Powers is visible in the top right. The main section is titled 'Find learning' and features a search bar and a category dropdown set to 'All'. On the left, a sidebar contains filters for Learning Type (Certifications, Courses, Programs), Tags (All sports, Australian Sailing Club & Class Management, Australian Sailing Coaches & Instructors, Australian Sailing Officials), and a list of specific roles like Club Leaders, Coaches, Directors, and Officials. The main content area shows 11 items in a grid, each with a thumbnail, title, and progress bar. The courses listed are: Community Officiating Essential Skills Course (Programs), Equipment Auditor - Club (Courses, 42%), Facilitation Essential Skills (Courses), Introduction to Safety & Risk Management (Courses, 100%), Judge - Protest Committee Member (Courses), PBTR - Harassment and Discrimination (Courses), Powerboat Program Essential Skills (Courses, 40%), Race Officer - Committee & Finish Boat (Courses, 0%), Race Officer - Introduction (Courses, 0%), and Race Officer - Mark Layer (Courses).

Officials Hub

- Information about Officiating Pathways
- Access to eLearning
- Face-to-face course finder
- Resources for officials
(Specific resources & regatta management templates)
- FAQ's for Officials & Accreditation

<https://www.sailingresources.org.au/officiating>

The screenshot shows the 'Officials' page of the Australian Sailing Resources website. The header is blue with the 'Australian Sailing RESOURCES' logo on the left and navigation links (CLUBS & CLASSES, OFFICIALS, TRAINING, SAFETY, RATINGS & MEASUREMENT, RULES) on the right. A search bar and 'Member Login' link are also present. The main content area has a light blue background with a banner for 'OFFICIALS WORKSHOPS' featuring a sailboat and the text 'Bringing the officiating community together to help develop the next generation of officials'. Below the banner, a text block invites accredited officials and those interested in officiating to attend the 2025 Officials Workshops, with a 'More Info' link. The page is divided into three columns, each with a header, a description, and a button. The first column is 'Become an accredited official' with a button 'Get accredited'. The second column is 'Find a course' with a button 'Find a course'. The third column is 'Resources for officials' with a button 'Resources'.

Australian Sailing RESOURCES

CLUBS & CLASSES OFFICIALS TRAINING SAFETY RATINGS & MEASUREMENT RULES

Home > Officials

Officials

The Australian Sailing Officials Hub contains information and resources to assist clubs, class associations and accredited officials to run safe, fair, and quality racing.

OFFICIALS WORKSHOPS
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Become an accredited official
Officiating is a fun way to volunteer and contribute to the fair and safe running of sailing competition.
[Get accredited](#)

Find a course
We provide a number of courses for aspiring officials. Find an [e-learning course](#) or use the button below to see upcoming in-person courses.
[Find a course](#)

Resources for officials
Find useful regatta resources designed to assist Australian Sailing accredited officials to conduct racing.
[Resources](#)



Race Management Development, Training and Accreditation



World Sailing International Race Officials – [resource centre](#)

- Disciplines include Race Officer, Judge, Umpire, Measurer, Para Classifier etc.

Other Courses

- First Aid
- Marine Radio Operator

Club Based Courses

- Flags & Signals

Informal Training

- As Required





Safety & Risk Management



- Safety Category Compliance
- Marine Operations Policy
- Incident Management Plan
- Notices to Competitors
- Race Officer is Incident Controller unless escalated





Safety & Risk Management



- Race Management Boats Safety Equipment
 - Inflatable Lifejackets
 - Lifering
 - Lifesling
 - Duckboard & Ladder
- Inform RO of safety hazards or on-water incidents
- Report any damaged or missing equipment
- Look after yourself, other volunteers and the equipment





Race Management Equipment



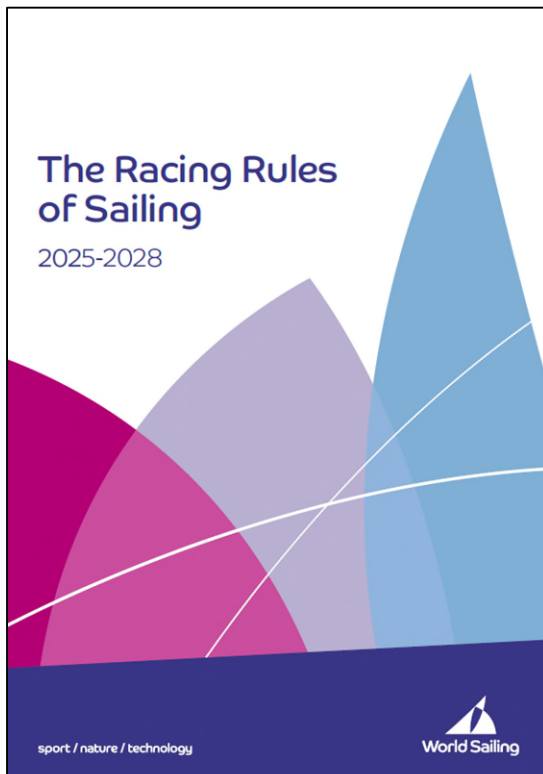
- Primary Start Boat – Caribbean 35 – Legacy
- Primary Course Boat / Secondary Start Boat – Arvor 28 – Jack Stening
- RHIBs:
 - VSR 5.4m – VSR
 - Highfield 4.2m – Julie Hodder
- Buoys & Tackle



Race Management Equipment



Racing Rules of Sailing



- Season 2026-2027 uses RRS 2025-2028



Handbook & Race Documents

- Online Race Documents
<https://mhyc.com.au/sailing/keelboat-division/keelboat-noticeboard>
- Sailing Handbook
- By-Laws, Safety & Emergency Procedures
- Season Notice of Race & Series Sailing Instructions
- Annual Inshore Pointscore (CCIS, SHSS, Inshore)
- Sydney Harbour Sprint Series webpage – NOR, SIs & Results
- Feature Event NOR in Handbook, SIs published separately
- Regatta NORs and SIs published separately



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KEELBOAT RACING NOTICE BOARD

MHYC KEELBOAT SAILING HANDBOOK

- [MHYC 2024-2025 Sailing Handbook \(includes NOR and Series\)](#)
- [MHYC 2025-2026 Sailing Handbook \(includes NOR and Series\)](#)

MHYC SAILING BY-LAWS

- [MHYC Keelboat By-Laws 2024-2025](#)
- [MHYC Keelboat By-Laws & Safety Information 2025-2026](#)

2024-2025 NOTICES OF RACE / SERIES

- [MHYC Keelboat Season NOR - amended 1 January 2025](#)
- [Feature Events Series NOR & Schedule](#)

2025-2026 NOTICES OF RACE / SERIES

- [MHYC Keelboat Season NOR](#)
- [Feature Events Series NOR & Schedule](#)
- [Sydney Harbour Combined Clubs Inshore Series NOR](#)
- [Sydney Harbour Sprint Series NOR](#)

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- [MHYC 2024-2025 Sailing Handbook \(includes NOR and Series Sis\)](#)
- [MHYC 2025-2026 Sailing Handbook \(includes NOR and Series Sis\)](#) - coming soon

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- [Sydney Harbour Sprint Series NOR](#)
- [Combined Clubs Sunday Series NOR & Sis](#)
- [Sydney Harbour Women's Keelboat Series NOR](#) - coming soon

2024-2025 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- [Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series Sis & Schedule](#) - amended 1 January & 19 February 2025
- [Leading Edge Series Sis & Schedule](#) - amended 1 January 2025

2025-2026 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- [Ocean Series Sis & Schedule](#)
- [Inshore Series Sis & Schedule](#)
- [Inshore Series Sailing Instructions for 6 September 2025](#)
- [Sydney Harbour Combined Clubs Inshore Series Sis](#)
- [Sydney Harbour Sprint Series Sis](#)
- [Combined Clubs Sunday Series NOR & Sis](#)
- [Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series Sis & Schedule](#)
- [Thursday Twilight Non-Spinnaker Series Sis & Schedule](#)
- [Friday Twilight Spinnaker Series Sis & Schedule](#)
- [Leading Edge Series Sis & Schedule](#)
- [CYCA Summer Short Offshore Series Sis & General Conditions](#) - coming soon
- [Sydney Harbour Women's Keelboat Series Sis](#) - coming soon

2025-2026 FEATURE EVENT SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- [Opening Day Sail Past Instructions for 14 September \(Matt Pyne Cup\)](#)
- [Commodore's Front Up Cup!](#) on 14 September
- [Harbour Trek](#) on October 25
- [Seven Islands Race](#) on November 20
- [Christmas Cup \(and Veterans Cup\)](#) on December 20
- [Chaos Cup & Bedlam Point Cup \(inc Cook of the Club\)](#) on January 10
- [March Cup](#) on March 14
- [ANZAC Day Two Up Cup](#) on April 25
- [Autumn Sail](#) on May 23
- [Welcome to Winter](#) on June 20
- [Christmas in July](#) on July 18

2024-25 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- [NTC-2024-10-04 - MHYC Inshore Series Scoring & Prizes](#)
- [NTC-2024-10-12-1 Reminder to Competitors Clubhouse Start and Finish](#)
- [NTC-2024-10-13-1 Amendment to Appendix 1 of the MHYC Sailing Handbook](#)
- [NTC-2024-11-14-2 Amendment to MHYC Season Notice of Race - Eligibility](#)
- [NTC-2024-12-12-1 - Amendments to MHYC Race Documents](#)
- [NTC-2025-02-18-1 - Amendment of Wednesday and Thursday Sailing Instructions - Sow and Pigs Reef](#)

2025-2026 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

LOCATION OF RACING MARKS

- [Mark Descriptions](#)
- [Harbour Marks Chartlet](#)

AMENDMENTS TO SPECIAL REGULATIONS

- [To view amendments to the Australian Sailing Special Regulations - click here](#)

RESULTS

- [Past Results](#)

SAILING POLICIES & INCIDENT MANAGEMENT

- [MHYC Keelboat Racing - Sailing Policies](#)
- [MHYC Sailing Operations Policy](#)
- [MHYC Sailing Incident Management Plan](#)
- [MHYC CovidSAFE Sailing Policy](#)
- [MHYC Crew Registration Policy](#)

INCIDENT REPORTING

- [MHYC Incident Report Form](#)
- [NSW Maritime Incident Reporting](#)

ANNUAL SKIPPERS BRIEFING

- [2024-2025 MHYC Skippers Briefing Recording \(1 hour\)](#)
- [2024-2025 MHYC Skippers Briefing PowerPoint Slides](#)

PRESENTATIONS

- [Keelboat Sailing Forum Presentation - April 2025](#)
- [Keelboat Safety Forum Presentation October 2023 \(inc. harbour hazards\)](#)
- [Keelboat Safety Forum Presentation October 2024 \(inc. scenarios\)](#)
- [Flags & Signals Powerpoint Presentation](#)
- [Navigation Presentation - Julie Hodder July 2022](#)

USEFUL LINKS

- [MHYC 2024-2025 Sailing Handbook \(includes NOR and Series Sis\)](#)
- [Online Entry](#)
- [Special Regulation Audit Forms](#)
- [SailSys Crew Registration and QR Code How To](#)
- [Protest Log](#)
- [MHYC Vessel Register](#)
- [MHYC Vessel Register Application Form](#)
- [World Sailing - Racing Rules of Sailing](#)
- [Australian Sailing - Racing Rules of Sailing Hub](#)
- [ORC Club Information \(Updated 8 February 2024\)](#)
- [ORC Club Presentation 20 October 2021 \(1 hour\)](#)
- [Disposal of Out of Date Flares](#)
- [Tidal Charts](#)

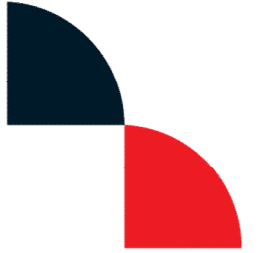
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KEELBOAT RACING SCHEDULE

Schedule for the 2026-2027 Sailing Season

- [MHYC 2026-2027 Sailing Program - PDF Document](#)
- [MHYC 2026-2027 Sailing Program - Filterable Excel Spreadsheet](#)
- [MHYC Ocean Series](#)
- [MHYC Inshore Series \(including Sydney Harbour Combined Clubs Inshore Series & Sydney Harbour Sprints Series\)](#)
- [MHYC Feature Event Series](#)
- [Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series](#)
- [Thursday Twilight Non-Spinnaker Series](#)
- [Friday Twilight Series](#)
- [Leading Edge Series](#)
- [Charity & Corporate Regattas](#)

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VOLUNTEERS

Like all community based clubs, MHYC relies upon a large group of volunteers to conduct its sporting and social program.

The roles for volunteers at a sailing club are numerous and diverse, suiting people with a wide range of skills and interests.

MHYC conducts a busy program of club racing and regattas through the year (about 700 races by division) and volunteers are sought for both on-water and onshore roles. A Competitors Volunteer Scheme operates which provides 1 or 2 crew from competing yachts to help support the race management team. The club also supports volunteers with accredited and non-accredited training.

Middle Harbour's Race Management Team have a proud history of providing club members and visitors with some of the best racing in and off shore of Sydney Harbour.

Every week Middle Harbour requires Volunteers to assist with running racing for our Members. Tasks include:

- Mark Laying
- Recorders / Scribes
- Flag operations
- Powerboat operators
- Race Officers

Rain, hail, or shine, the Middle Harbour Team provides its Members and visitors with superb racing courses. For additional information or to register your interest in volunteering at MHYC, phone 8969 3103 or email sailing@mhyc.com.au, no experience is required just the will to learn and enjoy yourself on Sydney Harbour.

MHYC Race Management Team Resources:

- [Race Management Team Briefing – September 2024](#)
- [Race Management Flags & Signals Presentation - October 2024](#)
- [Marine Operations Policy for Keelboat & Centreboard Racing 2025-2025](#)
- [Keelboat Sailing Incident Management Plan 2025-2025](#)
- [Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028 including Australian Sailing Prescriptions](#)
- [MHYC Codes of Behaviour](#)
- [MHYC Volunteer Policy](#)



Position Descriptions:

- [Race Officer \(on water\)](#)
- [Start/Finish Boat Driver](#)
- [Timekeeper](#)
- [Recorder](#)
- [Signals](#)
- [Course Boat Driver](#)
- [Course Boat Crew / Mark Layer](#)
- [Safety Boat Driver](#)
- [Safety Boat Crew](#)
- [Race Officer \(clubhouse\)](#)
- [Race Management Assistant \(clubhouse\)](#)

Australian Sailing provides a [Race Officials Hub](#) where you can learn about different officiating roles including:

- [Race Officer](#)
- [Judge](#)
- [Umpire](#)
- [Measurer](#)
- [Safety Equipment Auditor](#)
- [Para Classifier](#)

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Series Information



- **Pacific Rigging Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series**
 - Some course changes
 - Addition of Division 3 courses
 - If Code Flag "S" is displayed at the finish, results will be based upon each boat's current PHS handicap applied to its elapsed time.
- **Thursday Twilight Non-Spinnaker Series**
 - Non Pointscore on 1st October
 - 6 races of Smithy's Waterproofing Women's Twilight Series
 - If Code Flag "S" is displayed at the finish, results will be based upon each boat's current PHS handicap applied to its elapsed time.





Series Information



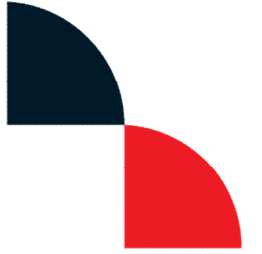
- **Friday Twilight Series**

- Training session on 9 October then 9 sessions sailed fortnightly
- 2 sprint divisions (up to 3 races) and 1 passage division (1 race per day)
- On-water start and finish, spinnaker or non-spinnaker
- BYO BBQ on the Harbour View Balcony or Beach afterwards





Series Information



- **Annual Inshore Pointscore**
 - 22 Saturday pointscore races
 - Sydney Harbour Combined Clubs Inshore Series (10 races)
 - Sydney Harbour Sprint Series (9 races over 3 race days)
 - MHYC Inshore Races (3 races)
 - All races scored on ORC, IRC and PHS for Divisions 1, 2 & 3 with OD results extracted for classes with 4 or more entries
 - MHYC Race Management on 26 September, 21 November (with Manly YC) & 30 January





Feature Events

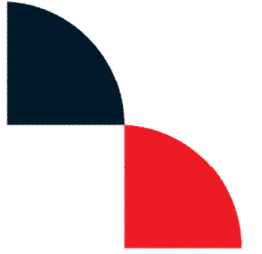


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| • Sunday, 13 September | 1230 | Commodore's Front Up! Cup |
| • Saturday, 24 October | 1230 | Harbour Trek |
| • Saturday, 28 November | 1100 | Seven Islands Race |
| • Saturday, 19 December | 1230 | Christmas Cup & Veterans Cup |
| • Saturday, 9 January | 1100 | Chaos Cup & Bedlam Point Cup |
| • Saturday, 13 March | 1230 | March Cup |
| • Sunday, 25 April | 1230 | Two Up Cup |
| • Saturday, 22 May | 1230 | Autumn Sail |
| • Saturday, 12 June | 1230 | Welcome to Winter |
| • Saturday, 24 July | 1230 | Christmas in July |





Regattas



- Sunday 18 October – MHYC Womens Regatta
- 28 & 29 November – Sydney Short Ocean Racing Championship
- 25 – 28 February – J/24 Australian Championships
- 6 & 7 March – Sydney Harbour Regatta





Charity & Corporate Regattas



- Friday, 30 October – SAP Partner Regatta (Redkite) – CHS
- Friday, 13 November – ASX Refinitiv Regatta – OWS
- Friday, 19 February – RFI Spurious Challenge for Black Dog – CHS
- Friday, 19 March – Renewable Energy Cup – OWS

Support through providing a boat, skipper and crew for hosting charity guests is greatly appreciated!





Offshore Keelboat Program



- Saturday 28 November – Sydney Short Ocean Racing Championship*
(Passage Race)
- Sunday 29 November – Sydney Short Ocean Racing Championship*
(2 x Hybrid W/L – CYCA offshore mark laying)
- 6 & 7 March – Sydney Harbour Regatta
(Cruiser Racer MHYC offshore mark laying TBC)

* *MHYC Ocean Series*





MHYC Winter Program



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| • Saturday, 8 May | 1200 | Sydney Harbour Sprint Series |
| • Saturday, 22 May | 1230 | Feature Event – Autumn Sail |
| • Saturday, 5 June | 1200 | Sydney Harbour Sprint Series |
| • Saturday, 12 June | 1230 | Feature Event – Welcome to Winter |
| • Saturday, 10 July | 1200 | Sydney Harbour Sprint Series |
| • Saturday, 24 July | 1230 | Feature Event – Christmas in July |
| • Saturday, 7 August | 1230 | Leading Edge Series |
| • Saturday, 14 August | 1230 | Leading Edge Series |
| • Saturday, 21 August | 1230 | Leading Edge Series |
| • Saturday, 28 August | 1230 | Leading Edge Series |





On-Water Race Management

Weekdays

- Wednesday Non-Spinnaker Series – On-Water Start & Clubhouse Finish unless conditions dictate on-water finish or race shortening
(Jack Stening with 2 crew)
- Thursday Twilights – On Water Start and Finish
(Jack Stening with 3 crew)
- Friday Spinnaker Twilights – On Water Start and Finish
(Jack Stening or Legacy with 2 -4 crew)
- Charity & Corporate Regattas on 13 November & 19 March
(Legacy with 3 -4 crew & Jack Stening with driver)
- J/24 Australian Championships from Thursday 25 to Sunday 28 February
(Legacy & Jack Stening)





On-Water Race Management



Weekends 2026

- Saturday, 5 September – MHYC Inshore (Legacy)
- Saturday, 26 September – Combined Clubs (Legacy)
- Saturday, 17 October – Sydney Harbour Sprint Series (Legacy & Jack Stening)
- Sunday, 18 October – Sydney Harbour Womens Keelboat Series (Legacy)
- Saturday, 31 October – MHYC Inshore (Legacy)
- Saturday, 14 November – Sydney Harbour Sprint Series (Legacy & Jack Stening)
- Saturday, 21 November – Combined Clubs (Legacy) with Manly YC
- Saturday, 28 November – SSORC Passage Race (Legacy)
- Sunday, 29 November – SSORC Hybrid W/L (Legacy) w. CYCA
- Saturday, 5 December – MHYC Inshore (Legacy)
- Sydney Hobart Start on Saturday 26 December (Pin & Start Boats)





On-Water Race Management

Weekends 2027

- Saturday, 9 January – Feature Event – Chaos Cup & Bedlam Point Cup (Legacy)
- Saturday, 30 January – Combined Clubs (Legacy)
- Saturday, 6 February – Sydney Harbour Sprint Series (Legacy & Jack Stening)
- Saturday & Sunday 27 & 28 February – J/24 Australian Championships from Thursday 25 to Sunday 28 February (Legacy & Jack Stening)
- Saturday & Sunday 6 & 7 March – Sydney Harbour Regatta (Legacy & Jack Stening)
- Saturday, 8 May – Sydney Harbour Sprint Series – Winter
- Saturday, 5 June – Sydney Harbour Sprint Series – Winter
- Saturday, 10 July – Sydney Harbour Sprint Series – Winter





Port Authority & VTS



- Port Authority Daily Vessel Movements

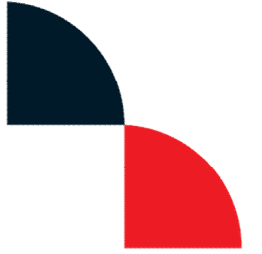
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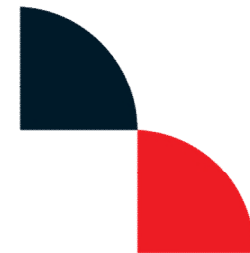
- For any racing with laid marks, advise VTS via VHF Ch 13 or 9296 4003 before laying marks and following removal





Questions





Thankyou!

