

CRUISE OFFICIALS AND PERSONNEL

CRUISE CAPTAIN

Simon Coventry (Gannet)

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RACE COMMITTEE

Consists of the Race Officer and Cruise Committee

RACE OFFICER

Rob Ridley

**RACE OFFICIALS
"GITANA"**

Rob Ridley
Brian Clayton
Paul Barbour
Jason Brushe - Tender Driver

CRUISE DOCTOR

Dr Angus Gray (About Time)

CRUISE CAPTAIN'S WELCOME

It is my pleasure to welcome all participants on the 39th Annual Squadron Cruise. It seems like only yesterday that we finished the last one. This is my second year as Cruise Captain and we are off to picturesque Pittwater once again. We have another good turnout this year with approximately fifty boats participating. Welcome to the old hands and a special welcome to those of you taking part in your first cruise.

While the cruise follows a similar format to last year, the Cruise Committee has made a few changes to the itinerary which we hope will add some variety. Some minor changes have also been made to the Sailing Instructions so please take the time to read them carefully.

Your Cruise staff this year will be Rob Ridley as Race Officer, Brian Clayton, Paul Barbour and Jason Brushe will be our tender driver. Dr Angus Gray (*About Time*) has graciously offered to act as the Cruise Doctor again this year. Should you require medical attention please do not hesitate to contact him directly or via the Race Committee Vessel. Cruise Committee members will also be on hand should you have any questions or minor problems.

Sailing is not all there is to the Cruise, we have a number of organized social events scheduled, including the Happy Hour at Halletts Beach, the Progressive Dinner which proved popular last year, the Basin "lay day" Spit Roast and the Official Dinner Function which this year is to be held at the Royal Motor Yacht Club Broken Bay.

Once again Bill and Deidre Manning have skillfully created the Cruise Crossword to include all participants. The neatest and most correct entry wins and no doubt there will be some hot competition for the prize. The "Cruise News" is another popular feature of the Cruise, a newsletter which is published daily. The success of the "Cruise News" depends on you, so please pass on any amusing stories or anecdotes to the race officials for inclusion.

Richard Chapman (*Nand IV*) has again made a most generous donation of a waterproof VHF hand held radio from *Coursemaster* as the prize for the "Nav Est" competition. I am sure you will all join me in thanking Richard for his support of this most popular competition.

I would like to thank my fellow committee members for their patience and support in putting the 2008 Cruise Program together. In particular I would like to thank Frances Allison and Rob Ridley from the Sailing Office for the many hours of work they have put into bringing this event about.

On behalf of the Cruise Committee I wish all participants a most enjoyable and safe cruise.

Simon Coventry
2008 Cruise Captain

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The Organising Authority is the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron (RSYS).

1. RULES

1.1 Racing will be governed by:

- The 'rules' as detailed in the Racing Rules of Sailing for 2005-2008 (RRS) of the International Sailing Federation (ISAF) as amended,
- The Notice of Race,
- These Sailing Instructions as may be amended from time to time.

If there is conflict between rules or regulations, other than RRS, these Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

1.2 All non racing participants agree to be bound by the following rules:

- The requirements of the Boating (Safety Equipment) Regulations of NSW, and the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at sea,
- The Notice of Race,
- These Sailing Instructions as may be amended from time to time.

1.3 The Cruise is classified as a Category C event in accordance with RRS 79.

1.4 Yachting NSW has granted dispensation to RRS 46 and 55 for this event which was approved on 6 September 2007.

2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

2.1 At 1 hour prior to the first scheduled Warning Signal a radio announcement shall be broadcast by the Committee Vessel informing competitors of the weather forecast including any other useful information regarding the day's events. This information shall be broadcast on VHF channel 69.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS / PROGRAM

3.1 Alterations to the program, Sailing Instructions or overnight locations shall either be given to competitors by means of flag signals, in writing, or shall be displayed on a blackboard on the Committee Vessel. Attention shall be drawn to the fact that an alteration has been made by Code Flag "3rd Substitute" flying from the Committee Vessel.

4. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Wednesday 16 April 2008	Cruise and Weather Briefing	Time: Venue:	1900 hours RSYS Kirribilli Room
Saturday 19 April 2008	Race 1 Offshore – Heat 1 Short Ocean Passage Sydney / Pittwater	Starting Area: First Warning: High Water: Low Water: Distance: Social Event:	In the vicinity of Watsons Bay Not before 0955 hours 1.50 metres @ 0729 hours 0.45 metres @ 1331 hours Approximately 23 miles Happy Hour Hallets Beach
Sunday 20 April 2008	Race 2 Inshore – Heat 1 Around marks in Broken Bay / Pittwater	Starting Area: First Warning: High Water: Low Water: Distance: Social Event:	In the vicinity of Challenger Head Not before 1155 hours 1.45 metres @ 0806 hours 0.48 metres @ 1400 hours Approx. 16 miles, Non Spin Div 2, 14 miles Raft up Mushroom Bay (Akuna)
Monday 21 April 2008	Race 3 Inshore – Heat 2 Around marks in Broken Bay / Pittwater	Starting Area: First Warning: High Water: Low Water: Distance: Social Event:	In the vicinity of Challenger Head Not before 1155 hours 1.40 metres @ 0843 hours 0.52 metres @ 1428 hours Approx. 16 miles, Non Spin Div 2, 14 miles Raft up Plnta Bay
Tuesday 22 April 2008	Race 4 Crew Race Inshore – Heat 3 Non Pointscore Around Marks in Broken Bay / Pittwater	Starting Area: First Warning: High Water: Low Water: Distance: Social Event:	In the vicinity of Challenger Head Not before 1155 hours 1.35 metres @ 0920 hours 0.56 metres @ 1458 hours Approx. 15 miles, Non Spin Div 2, 13 miles Raft up Waratah Bay
Wednesday 23 April 2008	Lay Day	The Basin Beechwood Cottage	Spit Roast lunch @ 1400hrs, BYO drinks, chairs / picnic rugs

Thursday 24 April 2008	Race 5 Offshore – Heat 2 (Category 7 ok) Around marks off Barrenjoey Head	Starting Area: First Warning: High Water: Low Water: Distance: Social Event:	In the vicinity of Soldiers Point Not before 1155 hours 1.26 metres @ 1039 hours 0.65 metres @ 1603 hours Approx. 19 miles, Non Spin Div 2, 16 miles RMYC Official Function
Friday 25 April 2008	Race 6 Inshore – Heat 4 Around Marks in Pittwater / Broken Bay	Starting Area: First Warning: High Water: Low Water: Distance: Social Event:	In the vicinity of Soldiers Point Not before 1155 hours 1.21 metres @ 1122 hours 0.70 metres @ 1643 hours Approx. 14 miles, Non Spin Div 2, 12 miles Raft up Refuge Bay
Saturday 26 April 2008	Race 7 Offshore – Heat 3 Short Ocean Passage Pittwater/Sydney	Starting Area: First Warning: High Water: Low Water: Distance: Social Event:	Off Barrenjoey Head Not before 1055 hours 1.17 metres @ 1211 hours 0.75 metres @ 1728 hours Approximately 23 miles Unofficial get together at RSYS
Saturday 10 May 2008	Cruise Prizegiving and Dinner	Time: Social Event:	1930 hours RSYS Carabella Room

5. SIGNAL FLAGS AND PENNANTS

- 5.1 In these instructions any flags or pennants mentioned are those of the International Code of Signals.
- 5.2 Race Signals shall be as per the RRS.
- 5.3 The Course to be sailed shall be indicated by the corresponding numeral pennant.

6. ADDITIONAL SIGNALS

- 6.1 The following additional signals may also be used:

SIGNAL	INDICATES
Flag "A" over the course signal	Sail the Alternate Course
Flag "3 rd Substitute"	Alteration/Amendment to the program

7. DIVISION FLAGS

- 7.1 Division flags will be:

Spinnaker Division	Code Flag	'T'
Non Spinnaker Division 1	Code Flag	'U'
Non Spinnaker Division 2	Code Flag	'F'

8. RACING AREAS

- 8.1 Racing shall be conducted between the waters of Port Jackson and Broken Bay including the waters both inside Port Jackson (Sydney Harbour) and Broken Bay (Pittwater / Hawkesbury).

9. THE COURSES

- 9.1 Whilst it is the Race Committee's intention to set the course programmed for each day, it retains the discretion to vary the course for any day's racing from the one programmed. **Skippers should check the course signal before starting each race.**
- 9.2 Course descriptions are located in Appendix "A".

10. SKETCH CHARTS

- 10.1 The sketch charts attached to these Sailing Instructions are for the assistance of competitors and DO NOT form a part of the Sailing Instructions.
- 10.2 Navigators may elect to use these charts to determine the order their division is intended to complete the day's course.
- 10.3 The positions of any marks on these charts are approximate only.

11. MARKS

- 11.1 A laid mark (LM) shall be an orange inflatable mark, cylindrical or conical in shape approximately 1.4 metres in height with the lettering RSYS.
- 11.2 Whilst in Pittwater some marks may be yellow conical Maritime marks.
- 11.3 Navigational marks may also be used to form part of the course descriptions.
- 11.4 The Start and Finish mark shall be an orange inflatable mark with the lettering RSYS.
- 11.5 Marks shall be as described in the relevant course descriptions.

12. THE START

- 12.1 Races shall be started using RRS 26 with the Warning Signal given five (5) minutes before the Starting Signal, amended as follows:

Signal	Flag & sound	Minutes before start signal
Warning	Division flag ↑: 1 sound	5
Preparatory	"P" ↑: 1 sound	4
One Minute	"P" ↓: 1 long sound	1
Starting	Division Flag ↓: 1 sound	0

- 12.2 The Warning Signal for each succeeding division shall be made with the Starting Signal of the preceding division.
- 12.3 A boat who's Warning Signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- 12.4 A boat starting later than ten (10) minutes after her Starting Signal may at the discretion of the Race Committee be scored Did Not Start (DNS).
- 12.5 The first scheduled Warning Signal shall be:

Race	Date	Time	Start Line
Race 1	Saturday	19 0955 hours	Vicinity of Watsons Bay
Race 2	Sunday	20 1155 hours	Vicinity of Challenger Head
Race 3	Monday	21 1155 hours	Vicinity of Challenger Head
Race 4	Tuesday	22 1155 hours	Vicinity of Challenger Head
Race 5	Thursday	24 1155 hours	Vicinity of Soldiers Point
Race 6	Friday	25 1155 hours	Vicinity of Taylors Point
Race 7	Saturday	26 1055 hours	Off Barrenjoey Head

13. STARTING PROCEDURE

- 13.1 All boats participating in any race shall contact (log on with) the Race Committee Vessel, from thirty (30) minutes prior to the first Scheduled Warning Signal and relay the following information, Boat Name, Sail Number and Persons on Board. Failure to do so will result in a boat being scored Did Not Compete (DNC), (Amends RRS 63).
- 13.2 No race information is to be requested by yachts while logging on.
- 13.3 Yachts shall not log on after the first scheduled warning signal.
- 13.4 The Starting Line shall be between an orange flag displayed on the Committee Vessel situated at the starboard end of the line and an orange inflatable mark at the port end of the line.
- 13.5 Yachts failing to observe Sailing Instruction 13.1 shall not only be regarded as Did Not Compete (DNC) but may be liable to disqualification from the entire cruise.

14. RECALLS

- 14.1 Individual and general recalls shall be in accordance with RRS 29.
- 14.2 To assist competitors the Race Committee may advise individual and general recalls over VHF 69.
- 14.3 An error or omission in the advice referred to in clause 14.2 above shall not be grounds for protest or redress.

14.3 A boat scored as OCS shall be penalized by adding five (5) minutes or 5% which ever is greater to their elapsed time. This amends RRS Appendix A – Scoring.

15. SHORTENING COURSE

15.1 Any course may be shortened in accordance with RRS 32.

15.2 In races 1 and 7, at 1520 hours, competitors shall be advised as to whether the course will be shortened on VHF Channel 69. It is the competitor's responsibility to receive the information at this time.

15.3 If a Shortened Course is necessary in races 1 or 7 refer to "Shortening Course" in the appropriate course description.

15.4 When shortening a course, should a **Divisional Flag and Code Flag "S"** be displayed on an Official Boat this shall apply to that division only.

15.5 In the case of races where these instructions require a yacht to cross a line between two points or marks, yachts shall be required to cross this line regardless of the position of the Committee Vessel.

16. TIME LIMITS

16.1 Time limits are set out in the Course Descriptions for each individual race. Any yacht which has not completed the course by the time limit shall be scored as Did Not Finish (DNF), (Amends RRS 35).

17. THE FINISH

17.1 When viewed from the last mark of the course the Finish Line shall be between the Committee Vessel, displaying an orange flag, located on the starboard end of the line and an orange inflatable mark at the port end.

17.2 Yachts shall not cross the Finish Line unless finishing.

17.3 The importance of reporting at the finish of an ocean passage is stressed. Failure to report may force the Race Committee to assume that the yacht is missing and to report this to the Police. Any resulting action could cause unnecessary work for the authorities and avoidable embarrassment to the owner.

18. FINISHING TIMES

18.1 In the event of the Committee Vessel not being on station at the finish of a race, yachts are to take and immediately record their own finish times. Their recorded finishing time must be transmitted to the Race Committee within two hours of the yacht's finishing time. The Finishing Point shall be when a competing yacht is abeam of the orange inflatable mark position at the proposed Finishing Line.

19. PENALTY SYSTEM

19.1 The 720° Turns Penalty as provided in RRS 44.2 shall apply.

20. PROTESTS

20.1 The Race Committee looks to competitors to observe the RRS and do her penalty turns or retire immediately if they breach them. Protests must be lodged with the Race Committee within one hour of the last yacht finishing in each division. The Committee Vessel should be informed of a yacht's intention to protest. Protests shall be heard as soon as possible and any competitor having reason to believe that they could be required at a hearing should keep in touch with the Race Committee.

21. SCORING

21.1 The Low Point scoring system, RRS Appendix A, applies subject to the following amendments;

21.2 Non Competing

A boat scored Did Not Compete (DNC) shall be awarded points equal to the number of pointscore entries in that race plus one point.

21.3 Non Starting

A boat scored Did Not Start (DNS) shall be awarded points equal to the number of pointscore entries in that race plus one point.

21.4 Non Finishing

A boat scored Retired After Finish (RAF) or Did Not Finish (DNF) shall be awarded points equal to the number of pointscore finishers in the race plus one point.

- 21.5 Disqualification
Boats which are disqualified (DSQ) shall be awarded points equal to the number of pointscore entries in the race plus two points.
- 21.6 Abandonment
When a race is abandoned after the start and not re-sailed, boats that started shall be awarded zero points. When a race is abandoned before the start, all boats entered shall be awarded zero points.
- 22. POINTSCORES**
- 22.1 All pointscores are open to block entries only and are detailed in Clause 35.
- 22.2 All races in each series, excluding Race 4 (crew race), shall count.
- 23. HANDICAPS AND RESULTS**
- 23.1 Yacht's handicaps are shown on the List of Entries for the first race and for subsequent races and will be available on application to the Race Committee at the latest one hour before the start of each race. The Race Committee intends to announce the place getters for each division daily at 1700 hours on VHF 69. Full results from the previous day, updated pointscores and that day's handicaps will be distributed to all competitors each morning prior to racing.
- 24. RETIREMENTS / SAFETY REGULATIONS**
- 24.1 Yachts retiring from any race will inform the Committee Vessel directly by radio or in some other fast and efficient manner. If this is impracticable please contact Coast Guard Sydney on 9337 5033 or Sydney Water Police on 9692 5411 at the first possible opportunity so they can relay a message to the Committee Vessel. Any yacht retiring and not reporting this information to the Committee Vessel may be disqualified from the entire Cruise.
- 25. CHANGES IN PARTICIPANT'S PLANS**
- 25.1 Any changes to a yacht's plans from that on their entry form must be advised to the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 25.2 The importance of reporting any change of plans is stressed. Failure to report may force the Race Committee to assume that the yacht is missing and to report this to the Police. Any resulting action could cause unnecessary work for the authorities and avoidable embarrassment to the owner.
- 26. RENDERING ASSISTANCE**
- 26.1 All boats are bound by Fundamental Rule 1.1 of the RRS - Helping those in danger.
- 27. TOW LINES**
- 27.1 All yachts will ensure that good serviceable long tow lines are on board and readily accessible. Also suitable anti-chaffing gear such as split hose should be carried to prevent damage to tow lines.
- 27.2 The towing vessel will advise the towed vessel what is required of her.
- 28. USE OF ENGINE DURING RACING**
- 28.1 If during a race, a yacht is required due to an emergency, to use its engine in gear she will submit a declaration to the Race Officer when finishing and a time percentage shall be applied. This penalty shall be applied at the absolute discretion of the Race Officer.
- 28.2 This penalty will not apply for any yacht rendering assistance to another vessel.
- 29. USE OF MANUAL AND STORED POWER**
- 29.1 Yachts may use power assisted winches and self steering devices.
- 29.2 Competitors using self steering devices are reminded to maintain a suitable and adequate watch at all times.
- 30. 'NON SPINNAKER' DIVISIONS**
- 30.1 Yachts racing in the 'Non Spinnaker' Divisions may not set any sails forward of a mast which are not normally carried forward of that mast when working to windward. Any sails set forward of a mast shall be attached to a stay in the centreline of the yacht and only one such sail may be boomed.
- 31. OFFICIAL BOATS**
- 31.1 The official start and finish boat will be 'GITANA'. When on station, she may display the RSYS Race Committee Burgee, which is the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron Burgee surrounded by a white border.

32. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 32.1 As far as practicable the Race Officials will maintain radio communication on:
VHF - Channel 69
VHF - Channel 16
- 32.2 From 1(one) hour prior to the programmed starting time each day until all yachts are accounted for, the Committee Vessel will keep continuous watch on these channels. Any cruise yachts sighting anything unusual (in particular any yacht possibly in distress, smoke signals or flares) shall report the matter at once on one of these channels until an acknowledgment is received from the Committee Vessel.
- 32.3 VHF Channel 69 may also be used if it is desired to give verbal advice concerning any of the signals made or to be made about the race, or other cruise activities.

33. RADIO SCHEDULES

- 33.1 Race 1 and Race 7
All yachts competing shall report their positions by radio when called by the Race Committee on VHF Channel 69.
- 33.2 The Radio Relay Station will come up 2 minutes before the scheduled times and request all yachts to stand by to make position reports.
- 33.3 Position Report – Schedules will be conducted as detailed below.
Each yacht will be called in alphabetical order and is required to answer giving its position in latitude and longitude.

Passage Races 1 & 7

Radio	1st Schedule	2nd Schedule
VHF Channel 69	1535 hrs	1710 hrs if not finished.

- 33.4 Yachts shall give the following information in Position Reports:
- Name of Yacht,
 - Position as at the commencement time of the schedule, in Latitude and Longitude and whether proceeding North or South,
 - Wind direction and speed – *only if requested by Radio Relay Station,*
 - Positions of other yachts – *only if requested by Radio Relay Station.*
- 33.5 The Radio Relay Station may request some yachts to make special calls between Radio Schedule times in order to estimate when the Finishing Line should be manned.
- 33.6 Once having retired, a yacht will be dropped from its position on the Race calling list to a secondary list which shall be called after the completion of the Radio Schedule, thus the retirees do not hinder continuing racing yachts traffic.
- 33.7 Yachts failing to comply with the requirements of Position Reports whilst racing may be liable to disqualification from the series.
- 33.8 It is the Competitor's responsibility to keep a listening watch at all times during the Ocean Races/Passages – Races 1 and 7.

34. TIMES

- 34.1 The Cruise will use the 24 hour clock system throughout for both written and verbal communication, eg. 5.15am is 0515 and 5.15pm is 1715.

35. PRIZES

- 35.1 In the overall pointscore for each division there will be one prize awarded for five starters, two prizes for ten starters and three prizes for fifteen or more starters. In all other pointscores and in all individual races, all placings shall count and there will be a prize for first, second and third place.
- 35.2 All prizes will be presented at the Annual Cruise Prizegiving dinner to be held at the RSY on Saturday 10 May 2008. Please make a table booking with Reception.

35.3 Sailing Races - Prizes will be awarded for the following events:

Pointscores	Spinnaker Division	Non Spinnaker Division 1	Non Spinnaker Division 2
Overall (Perpetual Trophies)	New York Yacht Club Trophy (refer clause 35.4)	Windsong Trophy	Bob Tinning Trophy
Ocean Races – Cat 4 (Races 1, 5, & 7)	Cruise Captain's Trophy	Cruise Captain's Trophy	Cruise Captain's Trophy
Inshore Races – Cat 7 (Races 2, 3, & 6)	Commodore's Trophy	Commodore's Trophy	Commodore's Trophy
Ocean Races 1 & 7 (lowest aggregate corrected time)	N/A	Alan Payne Memorial Trophy	Alan Payne Memorial Trophy

Individual Races	Spinnaker Division	Non Spinnaker Division 1	Non Spinnaker Division 2
Race 1	Vice Commodore's Trophy	Rear Commodore's Trophy	Rear Commodore's Trophy
Race 2	Club Treasurer's Trophy	Club Treasurer's Trophy	Club Treasurer's Trophy
Race 3	Club Captain's Trophy	Club Captain's Trophy	Club Treasurer's Trophy
Race 4 Non Pointscore (Crew Race)	Associate's Committee Trophy	Associate's Committee Trophy	Associate's Committee Trophy
Race 5	Cruise Committee Trophy	Cruise Committee Trophy	Cruise Committee Trophy
Race 6	Past Cruise Captain's Trophy	Past Cruise Captain's Trophy	Past Cruise Captain's Trophy
Race 7	RSYS Cruise Trophy	RSYS Cruise Trophy	RSYS Cruise Trophy
Participants Medallion	A Medallion to record participation will be awarded to all racing and cruising competitors.		

35.4 Where there are not enough boats entered in the full series, both inshore and offshore, to constitute a Spinnaker division, the New York Yacht Club Trophy will be allocated to the boat with the lowest total number of points across both Non Spinnaker divisions.

36. RESPONSIBILITIES

36.1 **Risk Warning** - The Organising Authority advises owners, skippers and anyone who participates in yachting events conducted by the Organising Authority that participation in the sport of yachting, whether racing or otherwise, can be dangerous and can result in harm, personal injury and property damage. The Organising Authority is not responsible for any harm or injury suffered by any person in any yachting event conducted by the Organising Authority of whatever nature. All participants acknowledge that competing in yachting events may be dangerous and may result in harm or personal injury and participate in such events aware of such dangers and voluntarily accept any risk of harm.

36.2 **Competitors Declaration** - It is the responsibility of owners and skippers to ensure that each boat nominated on the entry form complies with the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2005-2008 (RRS).

All competitors who sign the entry form in doing so have made a declaration to the Organising Authority that the nominated boat will at all times while racing comply with the requirements of Yachting Australia and the Sailing Instructions including:

- (a) the Yachting Australia Special Regulations;
- (b) adequate current Third Party Property Liability Insurance and Third Party Personal Liability cover of not less than \$10,000,000 (ten million dollars) for any one incident. All insurance shall be maintained during the period of racing;
- (c) the person who signs and lodges the entry form with the Organising Authority warranting to the Organising Authority that he or she will draw the attention of any person who competes on the yacht the subject of the entry form in any event conducted by the Organising Authority of the risk warning above;
- (d) the person who signs and lodges this entry form with the Organising Authority acknowledging receipt of the risk warning above and releasing the Organising Authority from any claim or liability whatsoever for any

harm or personal injury suffered by him, or by any person claiming through him, in any event conducted by the Organising Authority.

36.3 Responsibilities

- (a) All those taking part in these races do so at their own risk and responsibility. Specific attention is drawn to RRS 4 which states; "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone". The RSYS, sponsors, any Class Association, the Race Committee and other race officials are not responsible for any damage or injury either afloat or ashore.
- (b) The RSYS, sponsors, any Class Association, the Race Committee and other race officials are not responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment.

All those taking part in these races are reminded of their obligations as set out in the Yachting Australia Special Regulations clause 1.02 Owner's Responsibility.

37. GENERAL INFORMATION

37.1 Friday 18 April – Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron, Kirribilli

As there are a limited number of moorings and a limit to available pond space, yachts wishing to moor at the Squadron prior to the start of the Cruise are requested to contact the Dock Master on Ph 9017 0162.

37.2 Saturday 19 April – Hallets Beach

Overnight anchorage in the bay. The "Happy Hour" to commence at 1630hrs, finishing at 1730hrs, with limited beer, wine and soft drink supplied free of charge.

Tender service will be available on VHF69 until 2100 hours.

37.3 Sunday 20 April – Mushroom Bay (near Akuna Bay, see chartlets)

Yachts are requested to raft up in the bay. The Cruise Progressive Dinner is on again! The idea is to encourage greater socialization amongst all entrants by meeting on various yachts for an informal meal. **Those participating in the Progressive Dinner are requested to raft up with the boats in your allocated dinner group as advised at the briefing.** Yachts are reminded that if public moorings in the bay are available they can not be occupied by more than one yacht.

Akuna Bay Marina General Store is open 0900 – 1700 hours for your food, drink, ice, newspaper etc. requirements. Fuel is also available as are showers (fee applies) and coin operated bbq's.

Tender service will be available on VHF69 until 2100 hours.

37.4 Monday 21 April – Pinta Bay

Yachts are requested to raft up in the bay. Yachts are reminded that if public moorings in the bay are available they can not be occupied by more than one yacht.

Tender service will be available on VHF69 until 2100 hours.

37.5 Tuesday 22 April – Waratah Bay

Participants are reminded that to be eligible for the prizes for the Crew Race your yacht must be skippered by a member of your crew, as radioed to the Race Committee pre race.

Yachts are requested to raft up in the bay. Yachts are reminded that if public moorings in the bay are available they can not be occupied by more than one yacht.

Tender service will be available on VHF69 until 2100 hours.

37.6 Wednesday 23 April – The Basin

The Basin landing fee has been included with the Spit Roast.

Simon Coventry will lead the Currawong Beach Walk for those wanting some exercise. Please meet at the shed at the end of the Basin wharf at 1045 hours.

The Spit Roast will begin at 1400 hours. Beechwood House has been hired but there is only seating for 60 persons. **Please bring seating or picnic rug if you are able.**

Tender service will be available all day from 1000 hours until 2100 hours on VHF 69.

37.7 Thursday 24 April – RMYC Official Cruise Function

The RMYC Marina Manager will direct yachts post race to their berths or raft up positions. Please be patient, yachts will be directed one at a time. Shower and laundry facilities are available. Fuel and Ice will be available through the RMYC Marina Office.

The RMYC Official Function will begin at 1830 for 1900 hours in the Top Deck Dining Room.

There will be no tender service available.

37.8 **Friday 25 April – Refuge Bay**

Yachts are requested to raft up in the bay. Yachts are reminded that if public moorings in the bay are available they can not be occupied by more than one yacht.

Tender service will be available on VHF69 until 2100 hours.

37.9 **Tender Service**

The tender service will be available each evening for transporting **cruise** participants from boat to boat or boat to shore events only.

- The tender can be contacted on VHF 69,
- No rubbish is to be left on board the tenders,
- There will be no morning tender services,
- **Tender service will cease at 2100 hours sharp each evening.**

After contacting the tender on VHF 69:

- *Please give the coxswain an idea as to your location e.g. North end of the bay next to “Gitana”,*
- *please flash a light from the bow of your boat to guide the tender driver in your direction,*
- *please do not shine a torch directly at the driver,*
- *On returning please remember where your boat is located and direct the coxswain. This will save unnecessary delays for others.*

Peninsula Water Taxi Services, located at Palm Beach – Phone: 0415 408 831 - VHF 68

24 hour Pink Water Taxi Services, located at Church Point – Phone: 0428 238 190

37.10 **Provisions**

Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron, Kirribilli

- Diesel fuel / Unleaded fuel
- Water
- Party Ice
- Beverages
- Shower facilities

Royal Motor Yacht Club, Broken Bay

- Diesel fuel / Unleaded fuel
- Water
- Party Ice
- Beverages
- Shower & laundry facilities

Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club, Newport

- Diesel fuel / Unleaded fuel
- Water
- Party Ice, Block Ice
- Beverages
- Shower facilities

Cottage Point Kiosk

- Diesel fuel / Unleaded fuel
- Gas
- Water (limited)
- Party Ice, Block Ice
- Beverages, including alcohol / Snacks
- Groceries
- Fruit & Vegetables
- Papers
- Fishing Bait & Tackle
- EFTPOS / Mastercard & VISA

Akuna Bay

- Limited visitor berths
- Diesel fuel / Unleaded fuel
- Gas
- Water
- Shower facilities (fee applies)
- Party Ice, Block Ice
- Café – open 6 days, Tue - Sun
- Restaurant
- Bottle shop
- Beverages / Snacks
- Groceries
- Fruit & Vegetables
- Papers
- Coin operated BBQ's

Careel Boat Services, Pittwater

- Diesel fuel / Unleaded fuel
- Gas
- Water
- Party Ice, Block Ice
- Beverages / Snacks

* The Kuring-gai Motor Yacht Club at Cottage Point provides fuel, ice, water and shower facilities for their members only. Please do not request service if you are not also a KMYC member *

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ROYAL SYDNEY YACHT
SQUADRON CRUISE**

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

APPENDIX “A”

COURSES

1. RACE 1

1.1 All Divisions to sail the same course.

1.2 **First scheduled Warning Signal:**

Time	Date	Start Position
0955 hours	Saturday 19 April	Vicinity of Watsons Bay

1.3 **Starting Order:**

Spinnaker Division	Flag 'T'
Non Spinnaker Division 1	Flag 'U'
Non Spinnaker Division 2	Flag 'F'

1.4 **Course:**

Mark 1	Pass to starboard the red port lateral mark 200 metres West of Inner South Head
Mark 2	Pass to port a LM approximately half a mile North of Barrenjoey Head. 33 35.6s – 151 20.0E
Finish	Off Flint and Steel Point (Approximately 23 miles)

1.5 **Radio Schedule:**

Any yacht not finished by 1535hrs shall comply with sailing instruction, Clause 33 – page 9 which requires each yacht to inform the committee boat of her position.

1.6 **Time Limit:**

Spinnaker Division	1700 hours
Non Spinnaker Division 1	1705 hours
Non Spinnaker Division 2	1710 hours

1.7 **Time Limit has Expired:**

Any yacht which has not finished or reported her retirement, will report her position to the Committee Vessel by 1710 hours. Any yacht not reporting to the Committee Vessel at this time may be disqualified from the entire Cruise.

1.8 **Shortening Course:**

If a Shortened Course is necessary, the position of the new Finishing Line will be one of the following locations. If necessary the new Finish Line will be between two orange inflatable marks with the lettering RSYS.

Finish Location	Latitude	Longitude
1 (approx) 1.5 nm east of Little Head	33° 36 50' S	151° 22 00' E
2 (approx) 2 nm east of Turimetta Head	33° 41 50' S	151° 21 00' E
3 (approx) 1 nm east of Bluefish Point	33° 48 50' S	151° 19 50' E

1.9 If the race is to be shortened as above the new Finish Line will be advised at a Radio Schedule at 1520 hours. Boats shall be informed on VHF Channel 69, (it is the competitor's responsibility to receive the information at this time).

2. RACE 2

2.1 First Scheduled Warning Signal:

Time	Date	Start Position
1155 hours	Sunday 20 April	Vicinity of Challenger Head

2.2 Starting Order:

Spinnaker Division	Flag 'T'
Non Spinnaker Division 1	Flag 'U'
Non Spinnaker Division 2	Flag 'F'

2.3 Course:

Spinnaker Division and Non Spinnaker Division 1

LI	Pass to starboard Lion Island
SP	Pass to starboard a yellow maritime mark 200m North/West of Stokes Point
CGMB	Pass to starboard a yellow maritime mark located between Currawong and Great Mackerel Beach
BJH	Pass to port a LM approximately half a mile North of Barrenjoey Head. 33 35.6s – 151 20.0E
LI	Pass to port Lion Island
FS	Pass to port a LM approximately 400 metres North of Flint and Steel Point
Finish	Off Challenger Head (Approximately 16 miles)

2.4 Course:

Non Spinnaker Division 2

LI	Pass to starboard Lion Island
SP	Pass to starboard a yellow maritime mark 200m North/West of Stokes Point
CGMB	Pass to starboard a yellow maritime mark located between Currawong and Great Mackerel Beach
FS	Pass to port a LM approximately 400 metres North of Flint and Steel Point
Finish	Off Challenger Head (Approximately 14 miles)

2.5 Time Limit:

Spinnaker Division	1600 hours
Non Spinnaker Division 1	1605 hours
Non Spinnaker Division 2	1610 hours

3. RACE 3

3.1 First Scheduled Warning Signal:

Time	Date	Start Position
1155 hours	Monday 21 April	Vicinity of Challenger Head

3.2 Starting Order:

Spinnaker Division	Flag 'T'
Non Spinnaker Division 1	Flag 'U'
Non Spinnaker Division 2	Flag 'F'

3.3 Course:

Spinnaker and Non Spinnaker Division 1

FS	Pass to starboard a LM approximately 400 metres North of Flint and Steel Point
LI	Pass to starboard Lion Island
BJH	Pass to starboard a LM approximately half mile North of Barrenjoey Head. 33 35.6s – 151 20.0E
FS	Pass to starboard a LM approximately 400 metres North of Flint and Steel Point
LI	Pass to starboard Lion Island
BJH	Pass to starboard LM approximately half mile North of Barrenjoey Head 33 35.6s – 151 20.0E
Finish	Off Challenger Head (Approximately 16 miles)

3.4 Course:

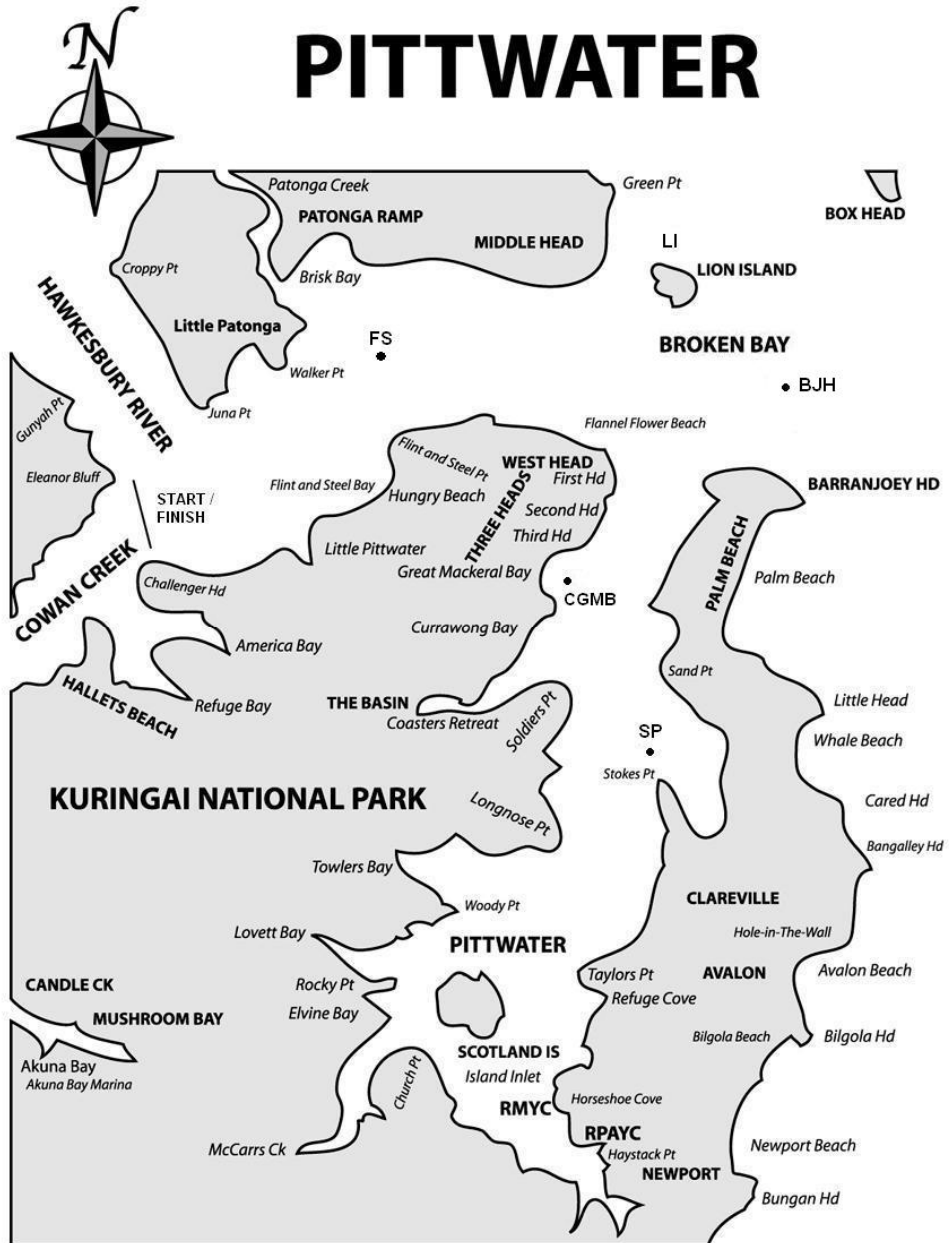
Non Spinnaker Division 2

FS	Pass to starboard a LM approximately 400 metres North of Flint and Steel Point
LI	Pass to starboard Lion Island
BJH	Pass to starboard a LM approximately half mile North of Barrenjoey Head. 33 35.6s – 151 20.0E
FS	Pass to starboard a LM approximately 400 metres North of Flint and Steel Point
LI	Pass to starboard Lion Island
Finish	Off Challenger Head (Approximately 14 miles)

3.5 Time Limit:

Spinnaker Division	1600 hours
Non Spinnaker Division 1	1605 hours
Non Spinnaker Division 2	1610 hours

RACE 4



4. RACE 4

4.1 First Scheduled Warning Signal:

Time	Date	Start Position
1155 hours	Tuesday 22 April	Vicinity of Challenger Head

4.2 Starting Order:

Spinnaker Division	Flag 'T'
Non Spinnaker Division 1	Flag 'U'
Non Spinnaker Division 2	Flag 'F'

4.3 Course:

Spinnaker Division and Non Spinnaker Division 1

CGMB	Pass to port a yellow maritime mark located between Currawong and Great Mackerel Beach
SP	Pass to port a yellow maritime mark 200m North/West of Stokes point
CGMB	Pass to port a yellow maritime mark located between Currawong and Great Mackerel Beach
SP	Pass to port a yellow maritime mark 200m North/West of Stokes point
BJH	Pass to port a LM approximately half a mile North of Barrenjoey Head. 33 35.6s – 151 20.0E
LI	Pass to port Lion Island
Finish	Off Challenger Head (Approximately 15 miles)

4.4 Course:

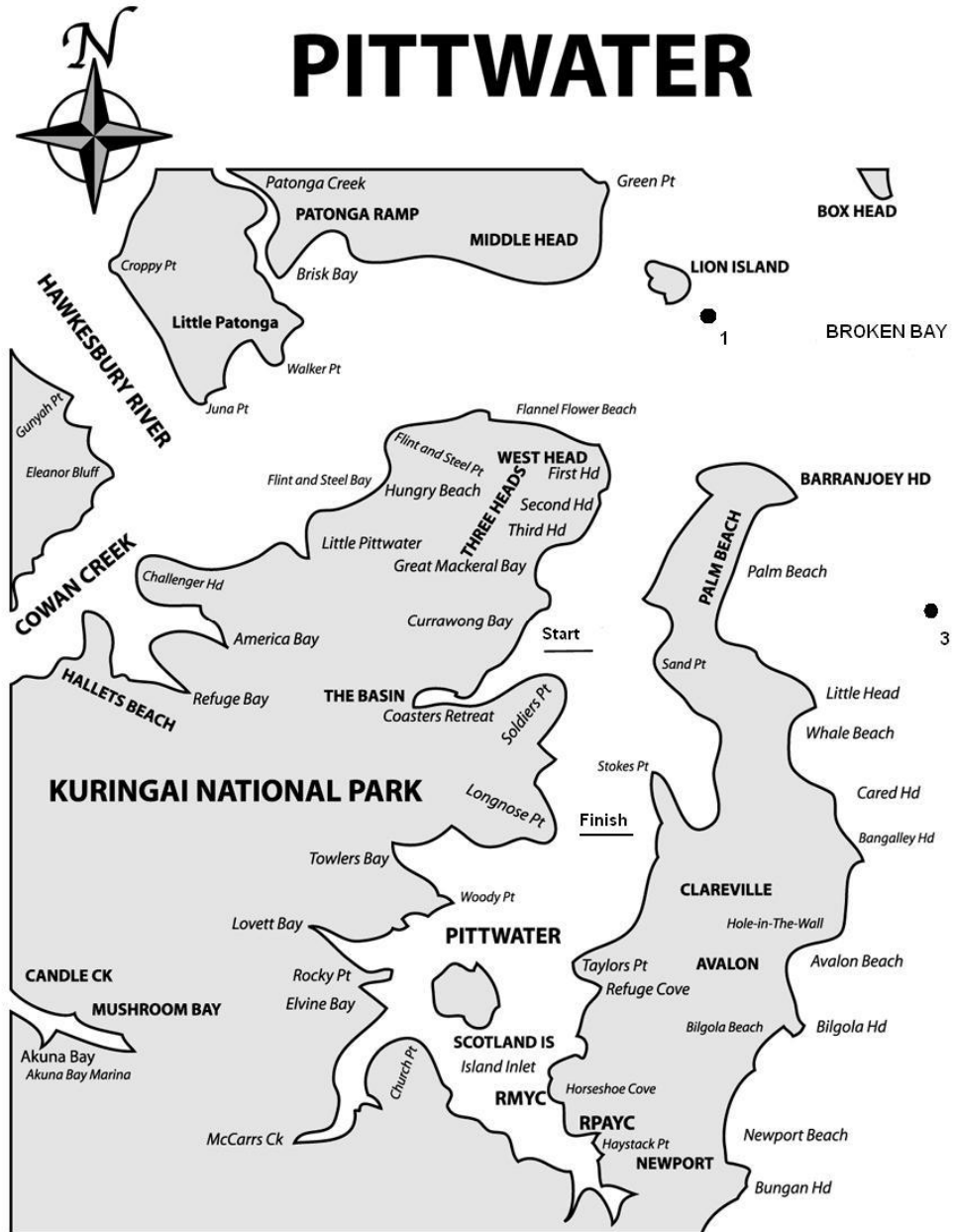
Non Spinnaker Division 2

CGMB	Pass to port a yellow maritime mark located between Currawong and Great Mackerel Beach
SP	Pass to port a yellow maritime mark 200m North/West of Stokes point
BJH	Pass to port a LM approximately half a mile North of Barrenjoey Head. 33 35.6s – 151 20.0E
LI	Pass to port Lion Island
Finish	Off Challenger Head (Approximately 13 miles)

4.5 Time Limit:

Spinnaker Division	1600 hours
Non Spinnaker Division 1	1605 hours
Non Spinnaker Division 2	1610 hours

RACE 5



5. RACE 5

5.1 First Scheduled Warning Signal:

Time	Date	Start Position
1155 hours	Thursday 24 April	Vicinity of Soldiers Point

5.2 Starting Order:

Spinnaker Division	Flag 'T'
Non Spinnaker Division 1	Flag 'U'
Non Spinnaker Division 2	Flag 'F'

5.3 Course:

Spinnaker Division and Non Spinnaker Division 1

Mark 1	Pass to starboard a LM approximately 400 metres S/SE of Lion Island
Mark 2	Pass to starboard a LM approximately 2.5 miles on magnetic bearing 070° from Mark 1
Mark 3	Pass to starboard a LM approximately 2.0 miles on magnetic bearing 220° from Mark 2
Mark 1	Pass to starboard a LM approximately 400 metres S/SE of Lion Island
Mark 2	Pass to starboard a LM approximately 2.5 miles on magnetic bearing 070° from Mark 1
Mark 3	Pass to starboard a LM approximately 2.0 miles on magnetic bearing 220° from Mark 2
Mark 1	Pass to port a LM approximately 400 metres S/SE of Lion Island
Finish	Off Longnose Point (Approximately 18 miles)

5.4 Course:

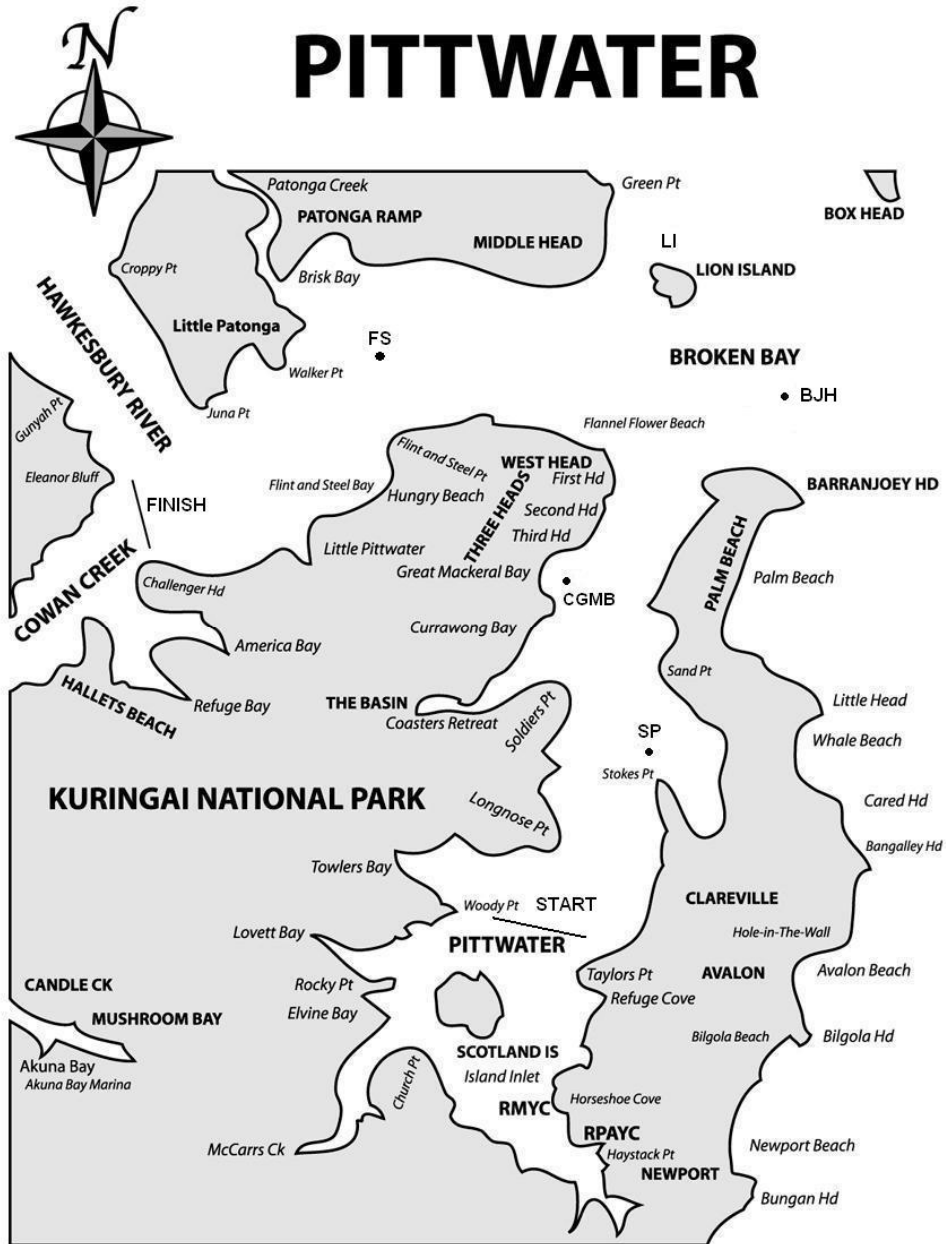
Non Spinnaker Division 2

Mark 1	Pass to starboard a LM approximately 400 metres S/SE of Lion Island
Mark 2	Pass to starboard a LM approximately 2.5 miles on magnetic bearing 070° from Mark 1
Mark 3	Pass to starboard a LM approximately 2.0 miles on magnetic bearing 220° from Mark 2
Mark 2	Pass to starboard a LM approximately 2.5 miles on magnetic bearing 040° from Mark 3
Mark 3	Pass to starboard a LM approximately 2.0 miles on magnetic bearing 220° from Mark 2
Mark 1	Pass to port a LM approximately 400 metres S/SE of Lion Island
Finish	Off Longnose Point (Approximately 15 miles)

5.5 Time Limit:

Spinnaker Division	1600 hours
Non Spinnaker Division 1	1605 hours
Non Spinnaker Division 2	1610 hours

RACE 6



6. RACE 6

6.1 First Scheduled Warning Signal:

Time	Date	Start Position
1155 hours	Friday 25 April	Vicinity of Taylors Point

6.2 Starting Order:

Spinnaker Division	Flag 'T'
Non Spinnaker Division 1	Flag 'U'
Non Spinnaker Division 2	Flag 'F'

6.3 Course:

Spinnaker Division and Non Spinnaker Division 1

SP	Pass to port a yellow maritime mark 200m North/West of Stokes Point
CGMB	Pass to port a yellow maritime mark located between Currawong and Great Mackerel Beach
SP	Pass to port a yellow maritime mark 200m North/West of Stokes Point
BJH	Pass to port a LM approximately half a mile North of Barrenjoey Head. 33 35.6s – 151 20.0E
LI	Pass to port Lion Island
FS	Pass to starboard a LM approximately 400 metres North of Flint and Steel Point
LI	Pass to port Lion Island
Finish	Off Challenger Head (Approximately 14 miles)

6.4 Course:

Non Spinnaker Division 2

BJH	Pass to port a LM approximately half a mile North of Barrenjoey Head. 33 35.6s – 151 20.0E
LI	Pass to port Lion Island
FS	Pass to starboard a LM approximately 400 metres North of Flint and Steel Point
LI	Pass to port Lion Island
Finish	Off Challenger Head (Approximately 12 miles)

6.5 Time Limit:

Spinnaker Division	1600 hours
Non Spinnaker Division 1	1605 hours
Non Spinnaker Division 2	1610 hours

7. RACE 7

7.1 All Divisions to sail the same course.

7.2 **First Scheduled Warning Signal:**

Time	Date	Start Position
1055 hours	Saturday 26 April	East of Barrenjoey Head

7.3 **Starting Order:**

Spinnaker Division	Flag 'T'
Non Spinnaker Division 1	Flag 'U'
Non Spinnaker Division 2	Flag 'F'

7.4 **Start:**

Approximately 1 nautical mile East of Barrenjoey Head

7.5 **Course:**

Mark 1 Pass to port the red lateral mark 200 metres West of Inner South Head

7.6 **Finish:**

Off Watsons Bay

7.7 **Radio Schedule:**

Any yacht not finished by 1535hrs shall comply with sailing instruction, Clause 33 – page 9 which requires each yacht to inform the committee boat of her position.

7.8 **Time Limit:**

Spinnaker Division	1700 hours
Non Spinnaker Division 1	1705 hours
Non Spinnaker Division 2	1710 hours

7.9 **Time Limit has Expired:**

Any boat which has not finished or reported her retirement, will report her position by radio to the Committee Vessel by 1710 hours. Any yacht not reporting to the Committee Vessel at this time may be disqualified from the entire Cruise.

7.10 **Shortening Course:**

If a Shortened Course is necessary, the position of the new Finishing Line will be one of the following locations. If necessary the new Finish Line will be between two orange inflatable marks with the lettering RSYS.

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1 (approx) 1.5 nm east of Little Head	33° 36 50' S	151° 22 00' E
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3 (approx) 1 nm east of Bluefish Point	33° 48 50' S	151° 19 50' E

7.11 If the race is to be shortened as above, the new Finish Line will be advised at a Radio Schedule at 1535 hours. Boats shall be informed on VHF Channel 69, (it is the competitor's responsibility to receive the information at this time).

8. ALTERNATE COURSES

8.1 For use in the event of adverse weather. An Alternate Course shall be indicated by Code Flag "A" flying over the corresponding Numeral Pennant.

8.1 There are 4 alternate courses as described in Clause 9, 10, 11 & 12.

8.2 All marks to be passed to starboard unless indicated by (P) denoting the mark is to be passed to port.

9. Alternate Course 1 (Approximately 15 nm)

9.1 **Start Line** Vicinity of Watsons Bay
MW YA Manly West buoy
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SM YA mark approx 10 metres south of the South Cardinal mark at Shark Island, passing Shark Island to starboard
FD Fort Denison
OB YA Obelisk Bay buoy
SM YA mark approx 10 metres south of the South Cardinal mark at Shark Island, passing Shark Island to starboard
Finish Line Vicinity of Watsons Bay

9.2 Absolute Time Limit for all Divisions is 1600 hours.

10. Alternate Course 2 (Approximately 12 nm)

10.1 **Start Line** Athol Bay
CI (P) Clarke Island
OB YA Obelisk Bay buoy
SM YA mark approx 10 metres south of the South Cardinal mark at Shark Island, passing Shark Island to starboard
OB YA Obelisk Bay buoy
PP YA Point Piper buoy
OB YA Obelisk Bay buoy
Finish Line Northwest of Clarke Island

10.2 Absolute Time Limit for all Divisions is 1600 hours.

11. Alternate Course 3 (Approx 10 ½ nm)

11.1 **Start Line** Clareville Beach
SI LM off NE corner of Scotland Island
SAP LM off Sand Point
SI LM off NE corner of Scotland Island
SP (P) Yellow maritime mark 200 metres North/West of Stokes Point
GMB Yellow maritime mark located between Currawong & Great Mackerel Beach
Finishing line off Careel Bay

11.2 Absolute Time Limit for all Divisions is 1600 hours.

12. Alternate Course 4 (Approx 10 nm)

12.1 **Start Line** Soldiers Point
FH LM 200 metres East of First Head
SP Yellow maritime mark 200 metres North/West of Stokes Point.
FH LM 200 metres East of First Head
FSP LM 200 metres North Flint and Steel Point
WP (P) LM 150 metres South Walker Point
Finishing line off Challenger Point

12.2 Absolute Time Limit for all Divisions is 1600 hours.