



Southport Yacht Club Inc.

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SOUTHPORT YACHT CLUB INC.
EVENTS HANDBOOK 2016 - 2017



Events Handbook

2016 – 2017

SYC LOCATIONS

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BOARD MEMBERS

Commodore:	Kerry Noyes
Vice Commodore Sail:	Ray McMahon
Vice Commodore Power:	Graham Webb
Chairman:	Scott Siganto
Treasurer:	Garry Edwards
Director:	Chris Oxenford
Director:	Bob Howard

ADMINISTRATION

General Manager:	Brett James 0417 561 899 General.Manager@southportyachtclub.com.au
Sailing Operations Manager:	Simon Turpin 0400 558 917 Sailing.Ops@southportyachtclub.com.au

Emergency Response Outline

Emergency Contacts:

Offshore Start Boat "SYC1" VHF Channel 09
Inshore Start Boat / Hollywell Tower VHF Channel 09
VMR Southport VHF Channels 73, 16 (emergency) and 27 Meg on Ch 91
St John's Ambulance 000 / 112 (non-emergency 131 233)
G.C. Water Police 07 5509 5700 & Duty Officers Mobile 0408 758 599

Code of Conduct for Southport Yacht Club

A person accepts responsibility by becoming a member of Southport Yacht Club and agrees to the consequences of any breach of the code of conduct. These may include: -

- Suspension or termination from the Club
- And/or legal proceedings – civil or criminal for conduct unlawful under State or Federal Law.

Key Principles

Membership of Southport Yacht Club is a privilege which must be safeguarded by the following principles:

Southport Yacht Club seeks to operate in an environment where people show respect for others and their property. Respect is defined as consideration for the well being of another's body, emotions and possessions, to ensure no damage or deprivation is caused to any of them.

Southport Yacht Club seeks to operate in an environment which is free from harassment. Harassment is defined as any action, directed at an individual or group, which creates a hostile, intimidating or offensive environment.

Southport Yacht Club seeks to operate in a non-discriminatory environment. By this it is meant that where everyone has an equal opportunity and receives fair in accordance with the law as well as the Club Rules, By-Laws, procedures and guidelines.

Behavioural Expectations

- Not knowingly discriminate against, abuse, harass, ridicule or embarrass anyone covered by this Code of Conduct.
- Be fair, considerate and honest in all dealings with others.
- Treat all persons with respect, dignity and properly regard their rights and obligations.
- Respect the privacy of other persons.
- Refrain from any form of victimisation towards others.
- Must not use offensive language to any member or visitor attending Southport Yacht Club or any of their events. Must not 'sledge' (as in denigrate and/or intimidate) other persons.
- Excessive use of alcohol, acting in a way that becomes a public nuisance or creates a public disturbance is prohibited.
- Liquor Licensing Laws will be followed at all times.
- Persons under the age of eighteen shall not be permitted to purchase or be supplied tobacco from the cigarette vending machine and shall not be permitted to be served or receive alcohol.
- A member will obey lawful directions from a Club employee.
- A member will take responsibility for their guests at all times.
- A member will abide by the dress code of the Club.
- A member shall not represent the Club in any dealings, unless authorised by the Club.
- A member shall not tarnish the reputation of the Club, officers, directors, committees, employees, management or bring it into disrepute.
- The use or encouragement of illegal drugs within the premises of Southport Yacht Club is prohibited.
- Assault or acting with aggression toward any other person is prohibited.

The Club intends to set the highest standards of excellence by displaying values of:

- Equality – demonstrate awareness of individual rights, opinions and beliefs.
- Demonstrate reliability and be a dependable Club member in all aspects of the Club's environment.
- Respect and courtesy must be shown at all times to all Club officials, members and patrons.
- No prejudicial behaviour is to occur.
- Display maturity and demonstrate acceptable social behaviour while at the Club or attending any of the club events.
- Abide by the rules of the Constitution and the By-Laws.
- Be mindful of your actions in relation to individual safety and safety of all others involved in the Club.
- Conduct themselves in a proper manner to the complete satisfaction of Southport Yacht Club and its members, so as not to bring themselves into public disrepute or censure.
- Not disclose to any unauthorised person or organisation information that is of a confidential or privileged nature concerning Southport Yacht Club. Not promote, or pass on, exchange or publish information whereby that information may be of a confidential, offensive, scandalous, unsubstantiated or derisive type;
- Understand the possible consequences of breaching Southport Yacht Club's rules and regulations.

Children

Parent and guardians at all times shall be responsible for the behaviour of their children on club premises, including the beach, marina and carparks. Parents and guardians of children whose behaviour is socially unacceptable shall be requested to remove them from Club premises.

Compliance

Any alleged breach of the above principles are to be reported to the Club Manager for action. The Club Manager will determine if there has been a breach and may warn or initiate disciplinary action against the relevant member. Any disciplinary action under the Charter will be in accordance with the Constitution and laws applying to the Club.

This code is to be read in conjunction with the Articles, Rules, Constitution and By-laws of the Club. You are reminded that the purpose of this Code is to provide you with an enjoyable and safe environment.

RULES AND OPERATIONAL POLICIES OF THE SYC HOLLYWELL LOCATION

USE OF THE TRACTOR AND CRANE

Use of the Crane and/or Tractor is limited to authorised Agreement Holders.

Only the Authorised Agreement Holder may operate the Crane or Tractor.

All agreements for use of the Tractor or Crane expired on 30th April 2015 and must be renewed before this equipment is used. A list of accredited users will be posted on the Noticeboard, and use of this equipment by any other person is expressly prohibited. Any accredited person who permits unauthorised use of this equipment (eg: loaning of tractor keys or failing to lock the crane after use) will have their privileges of use suspended or terminated immediately. Owners of boats in storage entitled to and wishing to use the Tractor and/or Crane must undergo training (by arrangement with the Sailing Office) and complete an Agreement of Use. Agreements are valid for the duration of the Bailment Agreement and Indemnity and will expire on 30th April 2017.

MARINA, SLIPWAY AND HARDSTAND

In addition to the Terms and Conditions of the Bailment Agreement and Indemnity, the following conditions apply to all boats in Storage:

1) Please keep halyards off the mast. Failure to do so is very poor maritime etiquette and inconsiderate of our neighbours. Sailing Office Staff may board any boat causing noise or other inconvenience and undertake any action necessary to rectify the problem.

2) Littering will absolutely not be tolerated, either in the compound or on the water. Ample rubbish bins are provided around the compound, if you move one to your boat to tidy-up please return it to its original location after use.

3) The Marina is for the short-term berthing of boats to facilitate loading and unloading of equipment and crew only. Appropriate non-marking fenders must be used at all times.

4) Overnight berthing is prohibited.

5) Children under 16 are not permitted in the compound or Marina area unless under the supervision of an adult.

6) The Crane Launching Area at the western side of the Marina is to be kept clear at all times and berthing is prohibited.

7) Please be considerate of other users, especially at times of increased demand. Avoid restricting access to other users of the Marina or Slipway or Hardstand area by planning the launch and retrieval of your boat as efficiently as possible.

8) Hoses and fittings are provided for the convenience of all users. Please do not tamper with or remove these fittings under any circumstances, except to remove the spray nozzle when attaching motor flushing earmuffs. Please wash down boats and flush motors on the launching ramp rather than the driveway or grassed areas to prevent soft areas becoming mud and salt damage to the lawns. Please ensure taps are fully turned off with hoses coiled on their hangers after use and try to keep water usage to a minimum.

9) All Trailers must be kept in sound working order. Jockey Wheels must be in place, trailer couplings must be serviceable and tyres must be kept inflated to recommended pressure.

10) No other equipment, including dinghies, tyres, eskies, sails, fuel tanks, or any other debris is to be left on the ground. Any such items may be moved onto a boat in storage or discarded at the discretion of the Sailing Office without notice.

11) Car Parking is not permitted at any time within the grounds, except for vehicles displaying a Disability Parking Permit, which may park in front of the Caretakers Residence just inside the gates. All other vehicles and trailers may enter for the purpose of loading and unloading only, then park on the grass verges on Marina Crescent.

12) All vehicles are strictly prohibited from the grassed rigging area adjacent to the Clubhouse at all times. Owners are requested to minimise driving on the grassed hardstand area to minimise wear. The speed limit for all vehicles (including the Tractor) within the compound is 5km/h, or walking speed. Reckless use of vehicles in the compound may result in suspension or termination of Boat Storage and/or Membership and/or the Bailment and Indemnity Agreement.

13) The privilege of holding keys for the dinghy shed, tractor and crane creates responsibility upon the user to ensure that the premises and equipment are securely locked after use. Even if you think you may not be the last to leave the Club towards the end of the day, please ensure that all doors and gates are locked before you leave. Keys and gate codes are not to be given to anyone, and you must advise the Sailing Office immediately if your keys are lost or stolen.

14) If you have permitted someone else to take your boat out when you, the registered Bailor, will not be accompanying them, we ask that you notify the Sailing Office before they come down, as use of the Tractor and Crane will not be permitted.

15) Except for Registered Guide and Assistance Dogs, animals are not permitted in the compound. Owners may transfer their pets directly from their vehicle to their boat, but pets must not be allowed free in the compound.

16) Fishing is not allowed off the marina or beach area at the Premises.

17) Powerboat launch and retrieval is not permitted / except for SYC support boats.

18) Smoking is permitted ONLY in the "Designated Smoking Area" which is located to the North West corner of SYC Hollywell. All rubbish including cigarette butts are to be disposed of in the supplied bins and sand trays.

19) Any Member subjected to disciplinary action under the Club's Constitution or By-Laws may have their privileges or access to the Premises revoked at any time.

2016 /2017 SAILING SEASON POLICY

CLUB PARTICIPATION RULES

1. Southport Yacht Club (SYC) is a member of Yachting Australia and races are governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) of the International Sailing Federation and the Prescriptions and Special Regulations (SR) of Yachting Australia (YA). These may be found at: www.sailing.org/documents/racingrules/index
2. All participating Boats and Operators must comply with The Transport Operations (Marine Safety) Act 1994 and its subordinate legislation, the Marine Safety (Domestic Commercial Vessel) National Law Act 2012 (Cwlth) and its subordinate legislation AND The International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea 1972 (COLREGS). The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) only applies between participating SYC Competitors for the duration of the event. Should interaction occur with non participating ships, then COLREGS shall apply to all ships and shall over-ride all other rules.
3. Following participation in any three (3) SYC races other than invitation events, any owner, skipper or crew of a participating Boat is required to become a member, in the appropriate category, of SYC.
4. It is the responsibility of the person in charge of the Boat to ensure that all crew competing on the boat holds a current membership of YA or equivalent membership of a yachting authority recognised by ISAF. In order for you to check YA Numbers and Membership Registration, please visit: <http://www.yachting.org.au/check-my-ya-number/> Please also note that you will need the First and Last Name AND either the DOB or YA Number in order to validate YA Membership.
5. All members intending to race shall pre-pay and register with a Season Entry or Casual Entry prior to racing. Failure to pay the outlined fee and/or register will result in positions not being recorded. Any member/s who continually race without paying or registering will be referred to the Club Manager for disciplinary action.
6. Only current financial members of the Southport Yacht Club Inc. are eligible for a Season Entry.
7. Average points may be requested for series entries when Club racing is missed due to competing at a State, National or International regatta. These points will be awarded for no more than three races in a series. To receive average points, an application for average points must be completed and returned to the Sailing Office BEFORE the missed day' s racing. No application will be considered post missed days racing.

SAILING COMMITTEE, RACE COMMITTEE & PROTEST COMMITTEE

1. The Vice Commodore Sail shall recommend the appointment prior to the start of each season a Sailing Committee which shall include at least one member nominated by each of the divisions sailing in the Club and the Sailing Operations Manager.
2. The Vice Commodore Sail shall be Chairman of the Sailing Committee and shall record such decisions and recommendations as passed by a simple majority present at Sailing Committee meetings. Sailing Committee decisions shall be reported to the Board.
3. Quorum for the Sailing Committee shall consist of five members.
4. Quorum for Race & Protest Committee's shall consist of three members.
5. The Sailing Committee shall: determine the sailing programme for the forthcoming season; determine such sailing rules and instructions as are necessary for the conduct of races within the Club; be responsible for conducting point score, championship and special events within the Club and any other sailing event that the Board decides upon from time to time to conduct; and Meet at least once a month.

6. Between meetings of the Sailing Committee, the Sailing Operations Manager shall have power to deal with any emergency. Any action taken under this provision shall be reported to the next meeting of the Sailing Committee.

7. **The Divisional Race Committee's** which shall include at least one member nominated by each Division sailing in the Club, the Vice Commodore Sail, the Sailing Operations Manager and the RO or their nominated deputy. **All decisions relating to divisional sailing events shall be deliberated on by the Divisional Race Committee.**

8. The Vice Commodore Sail shall be Chairman of the Race Committee and shall record such decisions and recommendations as passed by a simple majority present at Race Committee meetings. Race Committee decisions shall be reported to the Sailing Committee.

9. The Race Committee shall: Conduct the sailing programme for individual divisions for the nominated event. Amend such sailing rules and instructions as are necessary for the conduct of races within the division for the nominated event. Make a recommendation to the Sailing Committee on division appeals or redresses under any rules affecting the races held by a particular division; and Meet as required during the Sailing Season. This may occur in conjunction with the Sailing Committee.

10. Protest Committee shall be appointed by the relevant Divisional Race Committee for each hearing as required.

ONSHORE RACE ABANDONMENT

1. Any decision to race, postpone or abandon racing will be made by the Sailing Office in consultation with the Vice Commodore of Sail and the relevant Sailing Committee Divisional Representative.

2. For regular club racing the decision to race, postpone or abandon will not be made before 1000 hours on the day of the race unless circumstances dictate that an earlier decision would be appropriate noting:

- a. Racing will not be started if there is a current Gale (or higher), Tsunami or other severe weather warning that will impact the race area(s).
- b. Racing may not be started if there is a Strong Wind Warning in the race area(s).
- c. Races will only be abandoned after careful consideration of all weather conditions and their likely impact on the race area(s).

3. For regular club racing the decision to postpone or abandon a race due to light weather will only be made within 60 minutes of the first starting signal.

4. A decision to race on any given day does not relieve any competitor of his/her obligation under RRS Fundamental Rule 4.

DUE PROCESS and HANDICAPS

SYC utilises a democratic due process in relation to pertinent Sailing matters that effect our Sailing Community. This due process incorporates the Divisional Representatives of The Sailing Committee, the Vice Commodore of Sail and the Sailing Office.

The Top Yacht program is used by SYC for its race management software. The following handicap systems are used throughout the Sailing Divisions:

Club Base Handicap System (CBH)

Yachting Victoria Yardsticks for Off The Beach Dinghy & Catamaran Classes (YVY)

Performance Handicap System (PHS)

Please contact the Sailing Office or your Sailing Committee Divisional Representative for further detailed information in relation to handicaps.

Prior to the commencement of all races, Competitor handicaps will be advertised on SYC website.

Existing Boats

At the start of a new series, all PHS will be reviewed based on the performance during the past similar series. If the fleet is altered with additional or loss of a significant amount of vessel/s then a new baseline may need to be set. This review will occur prior to the start of the new series and the new PHS and reasons for the amendment will be available at the SYC Sailing Office on request.

Conditions for all Boats

PHS may be amended if the boat is modified. In accordance with Sailing Instructions, any modifications need to be provided in writing to the SYC Sailing Office 48 hours prior to racing. If such modifications are deemed to be significant, the boat will be assessed and entered as a new boat. Previous results will not be combined in the Series results.

Notification of change of Helmsperson from that on the nomination form for a Series/Regatta must be made in writing to the SYC Sailing Office. Failure to comply with the above conditions will result in a PHS adjustment. The SYC Divisional Race Committee will review all results during the following week and provide their recommendations to the Sailing Committee. If on review the Sailing Committee finds that the PHS falls outside the mathematical constraints of the Top Yacht Program, then the Sailing Committee may make a manual adjustment. If such an adjustment occurs, the value and the reasons will be available at the SYC Sailing Office on request. The Vice Commodore of Sail, Divisional Sailing Committee Representative and Sailing Office shall confirm all manual adjustments and the Sailing Office will issue a brief reason for the adjustment containing the series and the date of the change.

New Vessels

A starting PHS and division allocation will be made on submission of a new vessel's details, as per Vessel Registration form. This starting PHS will be reviewed to confirm that the first PHS is appropriate to allow the TopYacht Program to make the automatic adjustment within its mathematical constraints. If for some reason the PHS fails to be adjusted appropriately, then a manual adjustment may be made.

Handicap Review

Any Competitor may make an application in writing to the Sailing Office to have their Handicap reviewed without prejudice. In their submission, the Competitor must provide detailed reasons and appropriate calculations to validate their request. The Sailing Office will forward their request to the relevant Sailing Committee Divisional Representative and the Divisional Race Committee for their recommendations. Upon receipt of these recommendations, the Vice Commodore of Sail, Sailing Committee Divisional Representative and Sailing Office may then approve or decline the adjustment and the Sailing Office will issue a brief reason by email containing the series and the date of the amendment or declination.

SYC DIVISIONAL SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND CALENDAR

Divisional Sailing Instructions and Sailing Calendar for the 2016/2017 Season may be downloaded via the Southport Yacht Club Website:

www.southportyachtclub.com.au/sailing - enter your relevant Divisional page

SAILING COMMITTEE DIVISIONAL REPRESENTATIVES*

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OTBC – Off The Beach Catamaran: Kelvin Holdt - 0414 606 238 - kelv_trace@y7mail.com

OTBD – Off The Beach Dinghy: Ben Downey - 0419 741 257 - bens.garagedoors@bigpond.com

ID – Inshore Division: Ross Manning - 0408 195 935 - fullgoatracing@hotmail.com

TT – Thursday Twilight Division: Ray McMahan - 0424 983 270 - rayzor911@ymail.com

ED – Etchells Division: Scott McNally - 0409 069 197 - cracka_sm@bigpond.com

**Subject to change throughout the 2016/17 Sailing Season*

Southport Yacht Club

Sailing Calendar 2016/2017

For your perusal, we have provided a copy of our Calendar in this Handbook. Our on-line Sailing Calendar may be viewed at <http://www.southportyachtclub.com.au/sailing/sailing-calendar/> **which will provide the entire name of each event and further details**, including our Special Sailing events. In order to identify the various Divisions in the Calendar, the following colour coded Classifications will assist you:

OD - OFFSHORE DIVISION :

Offshore Division, with yachts ranging from 20 feet to 48+ feet.

Our Fleets include Beneteau, Catalina, Cavalier, Etchells, Farr, Jeanneau, Nolex, Melges, Northshore, Quarter Tonner, Sayer, Skud, Sports Boat plus many more.

TT- THURSDAY TWILIGHT DIVISION :

Offshore Division, with yachts ranging from 20 feet to 48+ feet.

Our Fleets include Beneteau, Catalina, Cavalier, Etchell, Farr, Jeanneau, Noelx, Melges, Northshore, Quarter Tonner, Sayer, Skud, Sports Boat plus many more.

ED - ETHELLES DIVISION:

Etchells Division with yachts that comply with the current International Etchells Class Rules

ID - INSHORE DIVISION:

Inshore Division, with yachts ranging from 17 feet to 38+ feet.

Our Fleets include Blazer, Elliot, Etchell, Lagoon, Melges, Quarter Tonner, Rob Legg (RL24), Nolex, Ross, Skud, Sports Boat, Young plus many more.

OTBC - OFF THE BEACH CATAMARANS DIVISION:

Off The Beach Catamaran Division, with Catamarans ranging from 12 feet to 20+ feet.

Our Fleets include A Class, Formula 18 (F18), Formula 16 (F16), Hobie, Nacra, Mosquito, Tornado plus many more.

OTBD - OFF THE BEACH DINGHIES DIVISION:

Off The Beach Dinghy Division, with Dinghies ranging from 7 feet to 18+ feet.

Our Fleets include Optimist, Nippa, X3, Sabot, Access, Laser, Byte, NS14, MG14, 29er's, Contender, Finn, 420, 470, 505, 49er's, Moth, 16ft Skiff, 18ft Skiff plus many more.

SYC SPECIAL SAILING EVENTS:

These are fun sailing events & regatta events which are outside our regular club racing.

**Southport Yacht Club
Sailing Calendar 2016/2017**

**SYC SPECIAL SAILING EVENTS
SERIES**

Sail Past	Saturday 3rd September 2016
Breaking of the Flag	Sunday 4th September 2016
Da\$h for Ca\$h	Sunday 4th September 2016
Bridge to No Bridge	Saturday 10th September 2016
Bridge to No Bridge	Sunday 11th September 2016
Barts Bash	Saturday 17th & Sunday 18th September 2016
Rum Race	Saturday 24th September 2016
Cock of the Broadwater	Sunday 30th October 2016
John McNamara Memorial Race	Saturday 19th November 2016
Ted Elkes Memorial Race	Sunday 27th November 2016
Cook Island	Saturday 4th December 2016
Pittwater to Paradise	Monday 2nd January 2017
Sail Paradise	Sunday 8th - Thursday 12th January 2017
Surf 2 City	Saturday 21st January 2017
Flat Rock	Sunday 5th February 2017
CAT Weekend	Friday 10th February - Sun 12th February 2017
The Great Race	Saturday 18th February 2017
T.K. Robertson	Sunday 19th February 2017
Burleigh Bash	Sunday 5th March 2017
Interclub Challenge ID vs OD - Couran Cove	Saturday 18th March - Sunday 19th March 2017
Match Race Regatta	Friday 7th April to Sunday 9th April 2017
Ladies Day Race	Sunday 30th April 2017
Mooloolaba Marathon	Friday 5th May 2017 to Sunday 7th May 2017
Short Handed Race	Saturday 27th May 2017
Sydney Gold Coast Yacht Race	Saturday 29th July - Wed 2nd August 2017
Crab Island Classic	Saturday 5th August 2017

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“CHAIRMANS CUP” MATCH RACING
SERIES

Friday 7th October 2016	Friday 31st March 2017
Thursday 20th October 2016	Friday 21st April 2017
Friday 21st October 2016	Friday 28th April 2017
Friday 4th November 2016	Friday 5th May 2017
Friday 18th November 2016	Friday 19th May 2017
Friday 2nd December 2016	Friday 2nd June 2017
Friday 16th December 2016	Friday 9th June 2017
Friday 20th January 2017	Friday 23rd June 2017
Friday 3rd February 2017	Saturday 1st July 2017
Friday 17th February 2017	Sunday 2nd July 2017
Friday 3rd March 2017	

OD - OFFSHORE DIVISION
PASSAGE SERIES

Passage 1 - Cook Island	4th December 2016
Passage 2 – Surf to City	21st January 2017
Passage 3 – Flat Rock Race	5th February 2017
Passage 4 – Julian Rocks Race	25th February 2017
Passage 5 – Mooloolaba Marathon	5th May 2017
Passage 6 – Mooloolaba Marathon	7th May 2017

OFFSHORE SUMMER SERIES

Race Day 1	Sunday 25th September 2016
Race Day 2	Sunday 30th October 2016
Race Day 3	Sunday 6th November 2016
Race Day 4	Sunday 13th November 2016
Race Day 5	Sunday 27th November 2016
Race Day 6	Sunday 11th December 2016

OFFSHORE WINTER SERIES

Race Day 1	Sunday 23rd April 2017
Race Day 2	Sunday 21st May 2017
Race Day 3	Sunday 28th May 2017
Race Day 4	Sunday 4th June 2017
Race Day 5	Sunday 25th June 2017
Sprints Challenge Day	Sunday 16th July 2017

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ID - INSHORE DIVISION

PASSAGE SERIES

Saturday 10th September 2016
Sunday 11th September 2016
Saturday 29th October 2016
Saturday 5th November 2016
Saturday 3rd December 2016
Saturday 28th January 2017
Saturday 18th February 2017

CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

Wednesday 19th October 2016
Saturday 29th October 2016
Friday 11th November 2016
Friday 25th November 2016
Saturday 3rd December 2016
Friday 9th December 2016
Saturday 28th January 2017
Wednesday 15th March 2017
Wednesday 29th March 2017

JAM SERIES

Wednesday 14th September 2016
Wednesday 28th September 2016
Wednesday 12th October 2016
Wednesday 26th October 2016
Wednesday 9th November 2016
Wednesday 23rd November 2016
Wednesday 7th December 2016
Wednesday 4th January 2017
Wednesday 25th January 2017
Wednesday 8th February 2017
Wednesday 22nd February 2017
Wednesday 8th March 2017
Wednesday 22nd March 2017
Wednesday 5th April 2017

ROUND THE CANS SERIES

Wednesday 7th September 2016
Wednesday 21st September 2016
Wednesday 5th October 2016
Wednesday 19th October 2016
Wednesday 2nd November 2016
Wednesday 16th November 2016
Wednesday 30th November 2016
Wednesday 14th December 2016
Wednesday 18th January 2017
Wednesday 1st February 2017
Wednesday 15th February 2017
Wednesday 1st March 2017
Wednesday 15th March 2017
Wednesday 29th March 2017

SPORTS BOAT OFFSHORE SERIES

Saturday 17th September 2016
Saturday 12th November 2016
Saturday 26th November 2016
Saturday 10th December 2016
Saturday 11th March 2017

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ID - INSHORE DIVISION CONTINUED

JAMAS SPRING SERIES

Friday 16th September 2016
Friday 30th September 2016
Friday 14th October 2016
Friday 28th October 2016
Friday 11th November 2016
Friday 25th November 2016
Friday 9th December 2016

BRASS MONKEY SERIES

Wednesday 17th May 2017
Wednesday 31st May 2017
Wednesday 14th June 2017
Wednesday 28th June 2017
Wednesday 12th July 2017
Wednesday 26th July 2017

JAMAS SUMMER SERIES

Friday 6th January 2017
Friday 27th January 2017
Friday 10th February 2017
Friday 24th February 2017
Friday 10th March 2017
Friday 24th March 2017
Friday 7th April 2017

POT HUNTER SERIES

Wednesday 24th May 2017
Wednesday 7th June 2017
Wednesday 21st June 2017
Wednesday 5th July 2017
Wednesday 19th July 2017

WINTER SERIES

Saturday 10th June 2017
Saturday 24th June 2017
Saturday 8th July 2017
Saturday 22nd July 2017

ED - ETHELLS DIVISION

Saturday 17th September 2016
Saturday 12th November 2016
Saturday 26th November 2016
Saturday 10th December 2016
Saturday 25th February 2017
Saturday 11th March 2017
Saturday 25th March 2017
Saturday 22nd April 2017
Saturday 6th May 2017
Saturday 20th May 2017

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OTBC - OFF THE BEACH CATAMARANS DIVISION

OFFSHORE SERIES

Saturday 17th September 2016
Saturday 12th November 2016
Saturday 26th November 2016
Saturday 10th December 2016
Saturday 25th February 2017
Saturday 11th March 2017
Saturday 25th March 2017
Saturday 22nd April 2017
Saturday 6th May 2017
Saturday 20th May 2017

ROUND THE CANS SERIES

Wednesday 7th September 2016
Wednesday 21st September 2016
Wednesday 5th October 2016
Wednesday 19th October 2016
Wednesday 2nd November 2016
Wednesday 16th November 2016
Wednesday 30th November 2016
Wednesday 14th December 2016
Wednesday 18th January 2017
Wednesday 1st February 2017
Wednesday 15th February 2017
Wednesday 1st March 2017
Wednesday 15th March 2017
Wednesday 29th March 2017

CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

Saturday 8th October 2016
Saturday 22nd October 2016
Saturday 17th December 2016
Saturday 7th January 2017
Saturday 4th February 2017
Saturday 4th March 2017
Saturday 29th April 2017
Saturday 13th May 2017

PASSAGE SERIES

Saturday 29th October 2016
Saturday 5th November 2016
Saturday 3rd December 2016
Saturday 28th January 2017

WINTER SERIES

Saturday 3rd June 2017
Saturday 10th June 2017
Saturday 17th June 2017
Saturday 24th June 2017
Saturday 8th July 2017
Saturday 15th July 2017
Saturday 22nd July 2017

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OTBD - OFF THE BEACH DINGHY DIVISION

SERIES

CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

Sunday 9th October 2016
Sunday 6th November 2016
Sunday 4th December 2016
Sunday 29th January 2017
Sunday 26th February 2017
Sunday 12th March 2017
Sunday 23rd April 2017
Sunday 21st May 2017
Sunday 4th June 2017

SUNRISE SERIES (JUNIOR BOATS ONLY)

Sunday 9th October 2016
Sunday 23rd October 2016
Sunday 6th November 2016
Sunday 13th November 2016
Sunday 27th November 2016
Sunday 4th December 2016
Sunday 11th December 2016
Sunday 22nd January 2017
Sunday 29th January 2017
Sunday 5th February 2017
Sunday 26th February 2017
Sunday 12th March 2017
Sunday 19th March 2017
Sunday 26th March 2017

SPRINT SERIES

Sunday 23rd October 2016
Sunday 27th November 2016
Sunday 11th December 2016
Sunday 5th February 2017
Sunday 26th March 2017

PASSAGE SERIES

Sunday 13th November 2016
Sunday 22nd January 2017
Sunday 19th March 2017
Sunday 7th May 2017

POLAR BEAR SERIES

Sunday 28th May 2017
Sunday 11th June 2017
Sunday 9th July 2017
Sunday 16th July 2017

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TT - THURSDAY TWILIGHT SAILING

SPRING SERIES

Thursday 15th September 2016
Thursday 22nd September 2016
Thursday 29th September 2016
Thursday 6th October 2016
Thursday 13th October 2016
Thursday 20th October 2016
Thursday 27th October 2016
Thursday 3rd November 2016
Thursday 10th November 2016
Thursday 17th November 2016
Thursday 24th November 2016
Thursday 1st December 2016
Thursday 8th December 2016
Thursday 15th December 2016

WINTER SERIES

Thursday 4th May 2017
Thursday 11th May 2017
Thursday 18th May 2017
Thursday 25th May 2017
Thursday 1st June 2017
Thursday 8th June 2017
Thursday 15th June 2017
Thursday 22nd June 2017
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Thursday 6th July 2017
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Thursday 20th July 2017
Thursday 27th July 2017
Thursday 3rd August 2017

SUMMER SERIES

Thursday 5th January 2017
Thursday 19th January 2017
Thursday 27th January 2017
Thursday 2nd February 2017
Thursday 9th February 2017
Thursday 16th February 2017
Thursday 23rd February 2017
Thursday 2nd March 2017
Thursday 9th March 2017
Thursday 16th March 2017
Thursday 23rd March 2017
Thursday 30th March 2017
Thursday 6th April 2017
Thursday 13th April 2017

POWER BOAT - NAVIGATION RALLIES

Navigation Rallies are a competitive sport conducted by the Powerboat Division of Southport Yacht Club. The events have been conducted as an annual SYC Championship series since 1959. The SYC Navigation Rallies were previously known as Predicted Log or logging events. We presently conduct eight events a year counting towards the Championship and also incorporating the Dux and Broadwater series. We also compete as a team against boats from RQYS for the annual Goodwill Cup. The magnificent gold Goodwill Cup is proudly on display at Main Beach after our team won it back from RQYS in November 2014.

Navigation Rallies are a test of navigation and boat control, the skipper of each boat nominates a speed the boat will travel at and therefore the time the boat will take to complete a set course. Boats of all sizes from 5 metre runabouts to 12 metre cruisers can compete on equal terms. There are secret checkpoints, usually ten, along the course where the boats arrival times are recorded. At the end of the event the boat that loses the least number of points for being late or early is the winner. We also have prizes for each checkpoint and also prizes based on a Handicap system, so everyone is in with a chance of winning a valuable prize.

These events were first conducted without the aid of electronics, plotting the course on paper charts using landmarks as reference points and using compasses and judging a boats speed with use of the tachometer and taking into account the effects of wind, tide and currents. In recent years we have allowed the use of GPS devices, but we also conduct some "traditional" events where modern electronics are not permitted.

Navigation Rallying is a very competitive sport but also a very social club event. All our events are followed by a sausage sizzle and a few drinks. The events are open to SYC Gold and equivalent members and the Powerboat Committee will provide all the assistance you need to get involved in Navigation Rallies. So what are you waiting for, join us out on the water, enjoy the competition, the camaraderie of fellow members and the chance to win valuable prizes.

Interested? Log into the Club website, look at the events list or the Power Boats announcements for details of the next and other upcoming Power Boat Rallies. Come and join us. You will be welcomed.

POWER BOAT - CRUISING FLOTILLA

Boaties on the Coast are blessed with access to one of the great sheltered waterways in Australia, even the World. We can cruise in sheltered waterways from Southport to the Sunshine Coast, never having to go out into the open sea, unless we feel like it. Then we have the bonus of ready access to the ocean. Been whale watching lately? Up the Tweed?

Technically, it is all part of Moreton Bay (which is why reading the port and starboard beacons can sometimes be a bit confusing). To the South and North of the open bay off Brisbane, there is a boaties' treasure trove of islands, channels and passageways, dotted with comfortable anchorages, no matter what the weather decides to do.

If you are new to boating, or just new to boating on the Gold Coast, cruising in company with your buddies in the SYC Cruising Flotilla is a great way to learn the best routes, most attractive and secure anchorages, to make and enjoy some more boating friends, and just have a good time. Guaranteed.

To be eligible to join in a cruise, the skipper needs to be a Gold Member or equivalent, and book in through Reception, paying \$10 a cruise to cover administrative costs (or book for the season and save some money, but still put your name down at Reception so we can save one of the 25 available spots for you). And, of course, you will need a cruising boat, with the usual requirements e.g. seaworthy, insured, adequate safety equipment. We do not care whether it is usually driven by diesel, petrol or wind. We have regular cruisers of all kinds. And in this case, size really doesn't matter, as long as it is comfortable for you and your crew. Currently the smallest boat in the flotilla would be about 7 metres, the largest around 23 metres. The vessel you have registered with the Club will most likely be fine.

The Cruising Committee organises a programme of cruises, one every six weeks or so, all announced in our annual calendar, starting each August. Each cruise is designed and led by an experienced member of the Committee and it is a great way to learn your way around. Strike a problem? You will probably be the centre of a squabble over who gets to help you. Comes evening, it will be Sundowners on a beach or an island or a neighbouring boat. And often a little organised frivolity. Cruises range from a short weekend up to a week or more, with the opportunity of joining in for the first or last weekend, if you're still a wage slave.

Interested? Log into the Club website, look at the events list or the Power Boats announcements for details of the next and other upcoming cruises. Come and join us. You will be welcomed.

**Southport Yacht Club
Power Boat Calendar 2016/2017**

NAVIGATION RALLY DIVISION

Sail Past and Blessing of the Fleet	Saturday 3rd September 2016
Breaking of the Flag	Sunday 4th September 2016
Power Boat Committee Trophy	Saturday 8th October 2016
Cutty Sark Open	Sunday 9th October 2016
Goodwill Cup	Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th November 2016
Treasurers Trophy	Saturday 5th November 2016
Vice Commodore's Trophy	Saturday 10th December 2016
Chairman's Trophy	Saturday 11th February 2017
XXXX Crab Island Classic	Saturday 11th March 2017
Buck Jones Memorial Trophy	Saturday 22nd April 2017
SYC Open	Saturday 13th May 2017
Club Marine Commodore's Open	Saturday 3rd June 2017
Club Marine Past Commodore's Open	Sunday 4th June 2017
Power Boat Presentation Dinner	Saturday 8th July 2017

CRUISING DIVISION

Queens Birthday Cruise	Monday 3rd October 2016
Mid-Week Cruise	Monday 31st October 2016
Melbourne Cup Cruise	Saturday 5th November 2016
Weekend Cruise and Christmas Lunch	TBA
Australia Day Cruise	Thursday 26th January 2017
Weekend Cruise	Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th February 2017
Easter Cruise	Friday 14th April 2017
Anzac Day Cruise	Saturday 22nd April 2017
Weekend Cruise Extension	Wednesday 26th April 2017
Season Review Dinner	Sunday 25th June 2017
Weekend Cruise	Saturday 30th September 2017

SYC CLUB EVENTS

Southport Yacht Club (SYC) is truly a very special place - a place where old and new friends meet and gather - a place where special memories are made. Founded in 1946, our Club has a wealth of tradition and history, coupled with a modern facility and progressive boating and social activities. Our goal is to offer you a comfortable environment where you can relax, socialise, have fun, entertain, and enjoy some of the finest boating, professional, racing or social.

Throughout the year, SYC is host to a number of on water activities including club sailing, sailing regattas, powerboat navigation events and cruising flotillas. Within the Club, member functions are held most weeks including cocktail parties, holiday celebrations and a variety of musical entertainers.

Along with these events, SYC has many wonderful social traditions which include the annual Sail Past and Blessing of the Fleet, Dux Birthday Celebration, Splice the Main Brace and Carols on the Broadwater, just to name a few. There's something for everyone to enjoy!

To ensure you don't miss out your favourite event, all of the Club events are posting within the quarterly iN SYnC publication, website, e-news, smartphone app and within the Club, should you require any further information on this or wish to receive any of the communication channels, please contact Southport Yacht Club reception on 07 5591 3500.



**Southport Yacht Club
Events Calendar 2016/2017**

IN-HOUSE CLUB EVENTS

Thurs 1st September	Black Sorrows Dinner & Show	Main Beach
Sat 3rd September	Sail Past and Blessing of the Fleet	Main Beach
Sun 4th September	Breaking of the Flag	Hollywell
Sun 4th September	Da\$h 4 Ca\$h - Sailing	Hollywell
Sun 4th September	Fathers Day	
Sat 10th - Sun 11th September	Bridge to No Bridge - Sailing	Hollywell
Sun 18th September	Bart's Bash	Hollywell
Fri 23rd September	Sailing Presentation Dinner	Main Beach
Sat 1st October	SYC 70th Anniversary Celebrations	Main Beach
Sat 1st October	Gold Coast Liquid Lightening	Main Beach
Sat 1st October	AFL Grand Final	
Sun 2nd October	NRL Grand Final	
Mon 3rd October	Queens Birthday Public Holiday	
Mon 3rd October	Labour Day Weekend Cruise	
Sat 8th October	Power Boat Committee Trophy	Dux
Sun 9th October	Cutty Sark Open	Main Beach
Tues 11th October	New Members Cocktail Party	Main Beach
Sat 15th - Sun 16th October	Gold Coast Marine Family Festival	Main Beach
Sun 30th October	Cock of the Broadwater - Sailing	Hollywell
Monday 31st October	Mid-Week Melbourne Cup Cruise	
Tues 1st November	Melbourne Cup	Main Beach
Fri 4th November	SYC Charity Sailing Day	Main Beach
Sat 5th November	Goodwill Cup - Navigation	Canaipa
Sat 5th November	Weekend Cruise	
Sat 19th November	Treasurer's Trophy - Navigation	Dux
Sat 19th November	John McNamara - Sailing	Hollywell
Sun 27th November	Ted Elkes Memorial Race - Sailing	Main Beach
TBC	Half Yearly Annual General Meeting	Main Beach
Sun 4th December	Cook Island Yacht Race	Main Beach
Mon 5th December	Splice the Mainbrace	Main Beach
Sat 10th December	Vice Commodore's Trophy	
Fri 16th December	Thursday Twilighters Christmas Party	Main Beach
TBC	Weekend Cruise and Christmas Lunch	
Sat 17th December	Carols on the Broadwater	Main Beach
Sun 25th December	Christmas Day Public Holiday	SYC CLOSED
Mon 26th December	Boxing Day Public Holiday	
Mon 26th December	Sydney Hobart Yacht Race	
Sat 31st December	New Years Eve	Main Beach
Mon 19th Dec - Sun 1st Jan December	Sailing Office Closed for Christmas	Hollywell

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IN-HOUSE CLUB EVENTS

Sun 1st January	New Year's Day Public Holiday	
Mon 2nd January	Pittwater to Southport	Main Beach
Sun 8th - Thursday 12th January	Sail Paradise Sailing Regatta - Sailing	Main Beach
Fri 20th January	Surf to City Yacht Race Briefing	Main Beach
Sat 21st January	Surf to City Yacht Race - Sailing	Main Beach
Thurs 26th January	Australia Day 4 day Cruise	
Thurs 26th January	Australia Day	
Sat 4th February	Flat Rock Yacht Race	Main Beach
Tues 7th February	Commodore's Cocktail Party SYC	Main Beach
Sat 11th February	Chairman's Trophy - Navigation	Main Beach
Fri 10th - Sun 12th February	Fastway Couriers Cat Weekend	Hollywell
Sat 18th February	The Great Race - Sailing	Hollywell
Sun 19th February	TK Robertson Trophy Race	Hollywell
Sat 25th February	Julian Rocks Yacht Race	Main Beach
Sat 25th - Sun 26th February	Weekend Cruise	
Sun 5th March	Burleigh Bash Yacht Race	Main Beach
Mon 6th March	Pontoon Dinner	Main Beach
Sat 11th March	Round Crab Island Open - Navigation	Main Beach
Sat 18th & Sun 19th March	InterClub Challenge - Sailing	Main Beach
Fri 7th - Sun 9th April	Match Racing Regatta	Hollywell
Fri 14th April	Easter Cruise	
Fri 14th April	Good Friday Public Holiday	SYC Closed
Sun 16th April	Easter Sunday	
Mon 17th April	Easter Monday Public Holiday	
Sat 22nd April	Buck Jones Memorial Open	Dux
Sat 22nd April	Anzac Day Cruise	
Tues 25th April	Anzac Day Public Holiday	
Sun 30th April	Ladies Day Race	Hollywell
Mon 1st May	Labour Day Public Holiday	
Sat 13th May	SYC Open Nav Event - Navigation	Main Beach
TBC	Associates Half Yearly AGM	Main Beach
Wed 27th May	State of Origin	Main Beach

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IN-HOUSE CLUB EVENTS

Sat 3rd June	The Commodore's Trophy	Canaipa
Sun 4th June	The Past Commodore's Open	Canaipa
Mon 5th June	Queens Birthday Public Holiday	
Tues 13th June	Vice Commodore's Cocktail Party	Main Beach
Wed 14th June	State of Origin	Main Beach
Sun 25th	Cruising End of Season Dinner	
Sat 1st & Sun 2nd July	Mooloolaba Marathon - Sailing	Main Beach
Wed 5th July	State of Origin	
Sat 8th July	Power Boat Presentation Dinner	Main Beach
Sat 15th July	Teo Handed Series	Hollywell
TBC	SYC Annual General Meeting	Main Beach
Sat 29th July - Tues 1st Aug	Sydney Gold Coast Yacht Race - Sailing	Main Beach
Fri 4th August	Sydney Gold Coast YR Volunteers BBQ	Main Beach
Sat 5th August	Crab Island Classic - Sailing	Hollywell
Wed 9th August	Royal Qld Show	
Sun 20th August	Dux Birthday	Dux
Fri 25th August	Gold Coast Show Cruise	
Fri 25th August	Gold Coast Show Day	
TBC	Main Beach Sailing Presentation	Main Beach

RACING FLAGS

THE START



5 minutes (Warning Signal)
Class flag UP



4 Minutes (Preparatory Signal)
Code flag P UP (or code flag I, or code flag U,
or code flag Z or Black flag)



1 Minute
Code flag P DOWN



Start
Class flag DOWN

OTHER RACING SIGNALS



Individual Recall
Code flag X



General Recall
1st substitute



Postponement
AP



Abandonment
Code flag N



Code flag H
(below N or AP)
go back to shore



Code flag A
(below N or AP)
no more racing today



Code flag S
shortened course



Code flag C
change of mark position



Code flag M
*this boat replaces
a missing mark*



Code flag L
*come within hail;
or follow this boat*

RACING FLAGS

OTHER RACING SIGNALS

H flag (below N or AP)



go back to shore;
further signal ashore

A flag (below N or AP)



no more racing today

S flag



↑ up 2 sounds
shortened course

C flag



repetitive sound signals
change of mark position

M flag



repetitive sound signals
this boat replaces missing mark

L flag



↑ up 1 sound
↓ down no signal
come within ahale; or follow this boat

CLASS FLAGS

Offshore Division
T flag



OTB Dinghy Div A
(Up to 106YS) E flag



Thursday Twilight Div
T flag



OTB Dinghy Div B
(>106YS) B flag



Inshore Division
Q flag



OTBD Junior Division
Green Fleet



Sport Boats
W flag



OTBD Junior Division
K flag



OTB Cats
Division A



Etchell Division
Etchell class flag




OTB Cats Division
Division B



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