



General Rules and Safety

The Rotary Sail Day Committee has a number of activities and procedures designed to improve the overall management and safety of the event.

It has been stressed to all participants the need to wear soft shoes and to bring appropriate clothing, hat, waterproofs and sunscreen. It would be advantageous for skippers to reinforce this with their guests prior to Rotary Sail Day.

It is a requirement of Marine and Safety Tasmania (MAST) that each craft carry one personal flotation device (PFD) on board for each person on the boat. It will be necessary to contact your sponsor and ascertain the number of guests to ensure that you comply with these MAST regulations. Contact the Sail Day Committee if you have any concerns.

Skippers are asked to remind those who participate on the day that all care should be taken when boarding and alighting from the vessels and that whilst on board, the Skipper's instructions be adhered to at all times.

This year the Carlton Park Surf Life Saving Club have made available their services for the day and will be providing a qualified team for assistance if required with their own dedicated inflatable dinghies. This crew will be available to taxi participants from raft to raft or to the shore and back if and when required.

As Skipper, please reinforce to all on board that they observe responsible serving and consumption of alcohol, so as not to impact either on the enjoyment of the event and/or compromise the safety of the guests.

On the day of sailing, provisions will be laid out at the various departure points for collection by skippers and crew. Skippers will be responsible for the loading of the provisions onto their vessels. A list of provisions supplied by Rotary Sail Day is provided.

Skippers and sponsors are asked to arrange to board their guests at the respective Yacht Club departure points, and then to proceed to assemble at the starting line between Wrest Point and the DSS permanent mark under the direction of the Cruise Commodore. This is most important, as we would like to depart as a group at 10.00am. Skippers will need to arrange their departure times to fit in with the departure schedule. We can then all proceed together and cruise to a suitable destination in the Channel that will be chosen by the Cruise Commodore having regard to the weather conditions. On arrival at the destination boats are encouraged to raft-up together in groups to facilitate networking, fellowship and fun. If there are any particular groups that would like to raft-up together it would be appreciated if you could assist in this regard if possible.

Arrangements have been made for corporate sponsors of boats to purchase a high quality corporate flag 900mm x 450mm quality knitted trilobic fabric with canvas header table, complete with sister clips. It is requested that Skippers display the corporate flags on their vessels if possible, in order to give our corporate sponsors maximum value.

Yachts normally return to the Yacht Club of departure in the late afternoon (approximately 4.00 – 5.00pm), however an earlier return can be arranged if Skippers are agreeable.

We thank you for your support to the Rotary Club of Hobart Charity Sail Day.