



The Southcoaster
**The Port Hacking - Batemans Bay
Coastal Regatta 2007**



NOTICE OF RACE

Invitation

**The Royal Motor Yacht Club Port Hacking and the Batemans Bay Sailing Club
invite owners of eligible yachts to enter the Sixth Port Hacking Batemans Bay
Coastal Regatta 2nd to 8th January 2007**

Overview

The Port Hacking – Batemans Bay Coastal Regatta offers a mid-summer opportunity for a wide range of club racing yachts to participate in family - friendly competition in safe coastal waters of Southern New South Wales. The Regatta is comprised of three components. A two day Mini Series off Port Hacking, a Category 3 passage race from Port Hacking to Batemans Bay, and a two day Mini Series in Batemans Bay.

Yachts may enter either of the mini series which are open to Category 7 inshore yachts, the Passage Race or the full Regatta. Each Mini Series will have its own range of prizes. The overall Regatta winner will be the yacht having the highest combined result for one Mini Series plus the Passage Race. A yacht that has sailed all races may discard one complete Mini Series result. A yacht's result in the passage race shall not be used as a discard. However a yacht will have a fair chance to win the overall Regatta prize while sailing just one Mini Series.

The Regatta will be supported by an on-shore social programme for sailors and non-sailors alike.

1. Organising Authority.

The Organising Authority in terms of rule 88.1 is the Royal Motor Yacht Club of NSW Port Hacking Branch and the Batemans Bay Sailing Club Inc.

The Organising Authority's address is –

The Port Hacking Batemans Bay Coastal Regatta
C/- RMYC Port Hacking, P.O. Box 872 Caringbah 1495 NSW
Email info@BatemansBayRegatta.com.au
Regatta Web Site www.BatemansBayRegatta.com.au



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2. Schedule of Events

Entry Deadlines

Date	Time	Race	Category	Event
Fri 11 th Nov 06	1700			Entries Close.
Fri 1 st Dec 06	1700			Documentation Deadline

Port Hacking Mini Series (With Offshore and Inshore options)

Date	Time	Race	Category	Event
Tue 2 nd Jan 07	1000			Welcome and briefing at RMYC Port Hacking for Port Hacking mini series
Tue 2 nd Jan 07	Choose 1200 or 1210	1	4 Offshore	Botany Bay Marks and return for Category 4 yachts
Wed 3 rd Jan 07	1200	2 and 3	7 Inshore	Bate Bay Passage Race for Category 7 yachts 2 x Bate Bay Sprint Course

110 nautical mile Coastal Passage Race

Date	Time	Race	Category	Event
Wed 3 rd Jan 07	1800			Passage Race Mandatory Race & Weather briefing - skipper and crew
Thu 4 th Jan 07	0800			Mandatory weather briefing update.
Thu 4 th Jan 07	1100	4	3	Port Hacking to Batemans Bay Passage Race
Fri 5 th Jan 07				Completion of Passage Race/ Lay Day
Sat 6 ^t Jan 07				Non Regatta Lay day Separate social programme

Batemans Bay Mini Series

Date	Time	Race	Category	Event
Sun 7 th Jan 07	0900			Briefing for Batemans Bay Mini Series
Sun 7 th Jan 07	1130	5 & 6	7	2 x Batemans Bay Sprint course
Mon 8 th Jan 07	1130	7	7	Batemans Bay Pentastar course
Mon 8 th Jan 07	1830			Prize Presentation.



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- 2.2 Where two races are scheduled on the same day, the subsequent race warning signal will be made as soon as possible after the finish of the preceding race.
- 2.3 The Organising Authority reserves the right to postpone, cancel or reschedule races and start times for any reason.

3. Rules

- 3.1 The regatta will be governed by the current ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS); the prescriptions and special regulations of Yachting Australia (YA); the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea applying between the hours of 2000 hours and 0730 hours (Australian Eastern Daylight Saving time) and this Notice of Race all as modified by the Sailing Instructions.

4. Additional requirements – Passage race (Race 4) only

The following are added to the requirements of Category 3 applying to the Port Hacking/Batemans Bay Passage Race (“the race”)

- 4.1 Minimum age of at least 60% of crew shall be 18 years of age.
- 4.2 Each yacht participating in the race shall carry a crew of not less than four. At least half the crew, including the Skipper and/or Sailing Master, shall have completed one Category 3 race or equivalent overnight passage race. Evidence of such shall be provided if requested by the Organising Authority. It is recommended that prior to the race at least half the crew, including the Skipper and/or Sailing Master complete a safety course equivalent to Yachting Australia’s TL4 Coastal Skipper Sea Safety Course.
- 4.3 At least one member of the crew shall hold a current Senior First Aid Certificate or equivalent or be a practising medical practitioner and should be familiar with the management of medical emergencies that may occur at sea and radio communications operations for obtaining medical advice by radio. A photocopy of the crew member’s certificate shall be submitted with the entry form for the race.
- 4.4 Each yacht participating in the race shall have a VHF marine radio as specified in regulation 3.25.1 and 3.25.2. Attention is drawn to regulation 3.25.2 footnote which provides that: “Where an HF or VHF radio is required under these regulations at least one crew member shall hold as a minimum a Restricted Operators Certificate of Proficiency in Radio Telephony.” A photocopy of the crew member’s certificate shall be submitted with the entry form for the race.
- 4.5 Each yacht shall carry the following charts –
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| AUS 808 | Port Jackson to Jervis Bay |
| AUS 807 | Jervis Bay to Montague Island |



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Plan Batemans Bay

5. Eligibility of Yachts and Crew

- 5.1 Eligible yachts shall be self righting single hulled vessels with a length overall of not less than 7.1 metres and a loaded waterline length of not less than 5.89 metres, be a thoroughly sea worthy type and be registered with a Yacht Club affiliated with its National Authority
- 5.2 All crew shall be a current member of a Yachting Australia (YA) affiliated club and have YA membership in accordance with rule 55
- 5.3 A decision by the Organising Authority whether the yacht and its crew satisfactorily meet the eligibility criteria for entry in the regatta series or any race of that series will be final and binding and not subject to protest or redress.

6. Entries

- 6.1 Entries shall be made on the Entry Form. The Entry Form is available on the regatta website www.BatemansBayRegatta.com.au or by email to info@BatemansBayRegatta.com.au or may be obtained by phoning RMYC Port Hacking on 02 9523 9300

- 6.2 The entry fees shall be one of the following –

Full Regatta entry.	Race Nos: 1 to 7, inclusive	\$330.00*
Port Hacking Mini Series (Inshore or Offshore option)	Race Nos: 1, 2 and 3	\$66.00*
The Passage Race	Race No 4	\$280.00*
Batemans Bay Mini Series	Race Nos: 5, 6 and 7	\$66.00*

*All fees are inclusive of GST.

- 6.3 Entries close at 5.00pm on Friday 10th November 2006. Documentation in accordance with clause 7 of this Notice of Race must be submitted by 5.00pm on Friday 1st December 2006.
- 6.4 On payment of a fee of \$250.00 [including GST] a late entry may be accepted for the Regatta, the Port Hacking Mini Series or the Batemans Bay Mini Series at the discretion of the organising authority.
- 6.5 Due to limited berthage space at Batemans Bay marina, entries may be prioritized and restricted to a total of 50 yachts for the Port Hacking to Batemans Bay Passage Race. An entry received subsequent to the Batemans Bay marina complex maximum being achieved shall be accepted only on the basis of an undertaking that relocation of the yacht may be required.



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6.6 A decision under clause 6.5 or 6.6 is final and not subject to protest or redress.

7. Documentation.

7.1 The following documentation shall be submitted in respect of each yacht entered for the full Regatta or the Passage Race:

- [a]** A copy of current Category 3 Special Regulations Equipment Compliance Form audited by a Club Special Regulations Equipment Auditor.
- [b]** A Crew List, containing the name and address of each crew member, together with the name, address and telephone number of each crew member's next of kin and the name, address and telephone number of a nominated shore based contact person for the duration of the race.
- [c]** Details of each crew member's experience. Attention is drawn to clause 4.3 and 4.4 of this Notice of Race and the requirement to submit copies of a crew member's Senior First Aid Certificate or equivalent and a crew member's Restricted Operators Certificate of Proficiency in Radio Telephony
- [d]** A declaration by the yacht's owner that the yacht is covered by third-party liability insurance cover for the yacht with a minimum cover of \$5 million per race or the equivalent.
- [e]** A photograph of the yacht and a brief history for publicity and safety purposes.

7.2 The following documentation shall be submitted in respect of each yacht entered only for either the Port Hacking Mini Series [Race Nos: 1,2 and 3] or the Batemans Bay Mini Series [Race Nos 5, 6 and 7] –

- [a]** A copy of current Special Regulations Equipment Compliance Form audited by a Club Special Regulations Equipment Auditor. (Category 4 or Category 7 as applicable to races entered)
- [b]** A declaration by the yacht's owner that the yacht is covered by third-party liability insurance cover for the yacht with a minimum cover of \$5 million per race or the equivalent.

7.3 All documentation shall be submitted to the Organising Authority [C/- RMYC Port Hacking, P.O. Box 872 Caringbah 1495 NSW] by 5pm on Friday 1st December 2006. An entrant submitting documentation after 5pm on Friday 1st December 2006 may be charged a late submission fee of \$250.00.

7.4 A decision under clause 7.3 is final and not subject to protest or redress

8. Race Area

The regatta shall be conducted on the Southern NSW coastal waters between Botany Bay, Bate Bay, Port Hacking, Batemans Bay and the Clyde River.

9. Courses

The courses shall be as described in the Sailing Instructions.



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10. Categories and Handicaps

The following handicap systems will be used to determine the results –

- IRC for a yacht with a current certificate.
- Performance Handicap System (PHS) for all other yachts.
- Arbitrary Handicap System
- Depending on the number of eligible entries, a Half Ton Division for the "Half Ton Cup" may be formed.
- Depending on the number of eligible entries, a Veteran Division may be formed.

Divisions may be created or abolished at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

11. Pools

11.1 Pools shall be staged in conjunction with the overall regatta. A yacht will be placed in a Pool of like yachts based on design similarities, age date, yacht purpose and size.

11.2 Each pool will consist of up to eight yachts. A list of a yacht's pools will be posted and copies made available to all entrants.

11.3 Prizes and trophies will be allocated to individual pool winners and an overall pools winner may be awarded.

12. Teams Event

Each team shall represent their club for the series. A team shall consist of three yachts from the same club in the same category. No additional entry fee shall apply for the teams event. Team will consist of the best 3 performing yachts of each club in the regatta and will be nominated on that basis at the conclusion of the regatta.

13. Scoring

13.1 High Point Scoring System will apply and will be awarded as follows –

- 1st = 100
- 2nd = 98
- 3rd = 97
- 4th = 96
- 5th = 95and so on.

All other yachts that rank as a starter and do not finish, or any yacht that is disqualified or retires, shall receive points equal to the position of one more than the number of yachts which rank as a starter in that race. All other yachts that do not start will score points equal to the position of one more than the maximum number of yachts entered in any of the races of the series.



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- 13.2 Overall Regatta** The Regatta comprises seven (7) scheduled races, being three races in the Port Hacking Mini Series, one Passage Race and three races in the Batemans Bay Mini Series. The overall Regatta winner will be the yacht having the highest score in the Passage Race plus **one** Mini Series. A yacht that has sailed all races may discard **one complete** Mini Series result. A yacht's result in the passage race **shall not be used as a discard**.
- 13.3 Port Hacking Mini Series.** Three (3) races scheduled, races sailed to count.
- 13.4 Batemans Bay Mini Series.** Three (3) races scheduled, races sailed to count.
- 13.5 Series Ties** will be broken in accordance with clause 8 of Appendix A to the Rules.
- 14. Alternative Penalties**
A combination of alternative penalties being 720 degree turns and a percentage place penalty shall apply as described in the Sailing Instructions.
- 15. Advertising**
- 15.1** Advertising shall be permitted as governed by Category C of clause 20.3.1 of Part IV of the 2005 ISAF Regulations
- 15.2** A yacht may be required to display an event sponsor's name or logo in accordance with clause 20.3.d (1) of the Rules.
- 15.2** The Organising Authority reserves the right to reject the entry of any yacht that in the Race Committee's opinion is carrying advertising for a company, entity or product in conflict with an event sponsor. This changes rule 76.1.
- 16. Sailing Instructions**
Sailing instructions for the Regatta will be available from the Organising Authority on acceptance of an entry.
- 17. Briefings.**
- 17.1 Port Hacking Briefing**
An initial briefing for the Port Hacking Mini Series shall be held at the welcoming party at RMYC Port Hacking on 2nd January 2007 at 1000 hours.
- 17.2 Passage Race Briefings.**
- a) A **mandatory** race and weather briefing for the Passage Race [Race No 4] shall be held at RMYC Port Hacking on 3rd January 2007 at 1800 hours. The skipper and 50% of the crew shall attend this briefing.
- b) A **mandatory** weather update briefing for the Passage Race [Race No 4] will be held at RMYC Port Hacking on 4th January 2007 at 0800 hours. The skipper and at least one crew member shall attend this briefing.



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Failure of a yacht's skipper or crew to attend the mandatory briefings for the Passage Race [Race No 4] referred to in clauses 17.2(a) and 17.2(b) may result in the Race Committee holding a hearing to consider withdrawal of the yacht's race entry.

17.3 Batemans Bay Briefing

A briefing for the Batemans Bay Mini Series shall be held at the BBSC Marina Clubhouse on 7th January 2007 at 0900 hours.

18. Prizes and Trophies

18.1 Prizes will be awarded for the each of the following: -

- Port Hacking Mini Series (Inshore and Offshore Fleets)
- Passage Race
- Batemans Bay Mini Series
- Overall Regatta

Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third under each of the IRC, Arbitrary and PHS handicapping systems. A line honours prize for the passage race may be awarded.

18.2 Other prizes and trophies may be awarded at the discretion of the Race Committee.

18.3 Perpetual trophies may be awarded for divisional winners. Perpetual trophies will remain the property of RMYC Port Hacking and Batemans Bay Sailing Club.

19. Berthing

Berthing may be provided at both RMYC Port Hacking and Batemans Bay for the duration of the regatta. Requests for berthing should be made on the entry form. For berthing arrangements outside of the regatta please contact the respective club.

20 Disclaimer of responsibility

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4 - **The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.** The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.