

Georges River Sailing Club Information



Background

Founded in 1926 the club is a superb location for sailing: where the Georges River flows into Botany Bay. In years past 16ft skiff racing was the centrepiece for sailing at GRSC but today there are active fleets of Optimists, Lasers, Tasars and Aeros.

On 1st November 2022 an amalgamation between GRSC and Illawarra Catholic Club (Club Central) was completed which has brought considerable benefits to GRSC members and the sailing division.

Entry for Members & Visitors

Georges River Sailing Club is a registered club and as such we are governed by strict entry regulations. Upon entry, all members are required to show their current membership card and visitors are required to sign the entry register (each day).

Entry to the Club is through the main front foyer, there is no entry from the boat shed/changing room area directly to the main club.

Membership

You can avoid signing in each day and take advantage of the benefits of membership of Club Central (including GRSC) by becoming a member. Membership is only \$2.20 and entitles you to discounts on food and beverages. Join Club Central which includes GRSC [Here](#). Once you have completed the online form please present the receipt (which will be emailed to you) to reception to complete your membership.

There is also a free Central Rewards App details for which are [Here](#).

Children / Minors

A person under the age of 18 years may only enter the Club when accompanied by a responsible adult and must remain in the immediate company of the responsible adult at all times whilst they are in the Club.

There are certain areas within the Club where minors are not permitted and these areas have signage indicating such. Minors are not permitted to remain in the Club after 10pm unless attending an approved private function (such as the welcome function & presentation night).

Club Dress Requirements (for the main club not the sailing areas or the cafe)

Neat, casual dress and footwear is to be worn in the Club. Men are not permitted to wear singlets. Hats on males (except for medical or religious reasons) are not permitted within the Club. Please note that sailing attire (wetsuits, wet clothing) is not permitted to be worn anywhere inside the Club.

Functions & Entertainment

The Club showcases a wide variety of entertainment options. Details of the current schedule are available on the [Club's website](#)

The **Welcome Function** will be held at 6.00pm on Monday 2nd January in the main function room upstairs in the Club. The **Presentation Dinner** and function will start at 7.00pm on Sunday 8th January also in the main function room upstairs in the Club.

Competitor entry for these functions is free but supporters should purchase tickets. Arrangements for the purchase of additional tickets will be provided shortly or check at the Sailing Office at registration. Numbers for all functions will be limited and you may not be able to purchase additional tickets at the door.

Catering

Kiss the Barista Cafe (outside the club) This cafe is on the edge of the club right next to the boat park, it looks directly onto the beach and water. Menu is Here	7.00am to 3.00pm weekdays 7.00am to 4.00pm Saturday/Sunday
Bays Edge Bistro (inside the club) Open for lunch and dinner, this restaurant has a wide range of dishes from burgers and steaks to plenty of seafood. Menu is Here Daily specials are also available.	Lunch - Noon to 5pm Dinner - 6pm to 8pm
The Bar (inside the club) With magnificent views across the beach, river and bay the bar is a great place to relax and catch up with the other sailors after a day's racing. Friends and family can sit on the balcony during the day with a drink in hand and watch all the activity on the beach below.	Sunday- Wednesday 11am – 10pm Thursday-Friday 11am-11pm Saturday 11am to midnight

Race Headquarters

The regatta office is located on the ground level at the south-eastern corner of the Club.

Change Room Facilities

Male and female toilets, showers and change room facilities are available and are located at the back of the boat shed which is under the Club.

Please do not leave bags, gear & valuables in the change rooms as these facilities will be used by 170+ competitors, plus support staff.

Additional toilets are located at the back of the regatta office.

Security of Valuables

Please DO NOT leave gear and items of value in the rigging area, in change rooms or in the boat shed. The whole area is accessible by the general public and we cannot control this access. The Club does not accept responsibility for any items of value lost or stolen whilst on Club property.

Lost & Found Property

Found property should be handed into the front desk of the Club or the regatta office. Check for any lost property there.

Car Parking and Boat Trailer Storage

The beaches around GRSC are incredibly popular during the summer months and the first week of January will be particularly busy. Parking is at a premium, so special parking arrangements have been made for competitor's cars and trailers.

Bayside Council have provided access to Depena Reserve from 28th December. The diagram below shows the respective areas for car parking, trailer storage (main and reserve) and also the two boat park areas (A&B). Competitors will drive into the reserve via McMillan Avenue.

At registration you will be given a parking permit that you must display on your dashboard when parked in the reserve. Bayside Council will be fining any cars parked in the reserve without these permits.



Rigging Area, Boat Launching & Wash Down

We have two main rigging areas (Boat Park A and B). Access from these areas to the beach is across the public carpark so please use caution when crossing to and from the beach (on the diagram this is from the large pink dot to the large blue arrow).

Volunteers will assist with your launching by collecting your dolly. When you arrive back at the beach volunteers will give you a random dolly. At measurement you will be given a tag with the last four digits of your sail number on it and a cable tie to attach to your dolly. This will help you to find your dolly at the end of the regatta.

When you leave the beach you will pass through an area at the top of the ramp (large blue arrow) where volunteers will wash your boat. There will doubtless be a steadily moving queue through this washdown area.

Launching/Retrieval of Support Boats

Some race support boats will be launched and retrieved from the beach each day. Please stay aware when on the beach, you will hear the tractor when this is in progress.

No coach boats will be launched or retrieved at GRSC. Information on available launch sites is included in the coach boat information sheet [Here](#).

Boat Shed

Changerooms, showers and toilets are at the back left corner of the boatshed.

Please do not leave any equipment in the boat shed, this is used by GRSC members only.

First Aid

There will be a first aid kit available for use in the Regatta Office.

Registration, Measurement and Parts

Registration will be at the Regatta Office between 9.00am and 6.00pm on 1st and 2nd January.

Measurement will be carried out in the boat park between the same hours. Details of measurement are [Here](#)..

You should make a booking for your measurement time [Here](#).

All measurement must be completed by 6:00pm on 2nd January. Any measurement after that time will have to be arranged at the Regatta Office and may incur a fee.

Spare Laser parts will be available from PSA and NB Sailsports on-site vans.

Useful Contact Numbers

GRSC Reception	(02) 9529 3000
Regatta Office Kevin Phillips	0427 146 400
Measurement David Edmiston	0400 804 280
Chief Judge Wayne Thompson	0458 526 790
Principal Race Officer Peter Merritt	0419 532 311
First Aid	see Regatta Office
Emergency	000
St George Hospital	9113 1111 Gray St, Kogarah
Medical Centres	Sans Souci Medical Practice Shops 1-5, 410/420 Rocky Point Rd, Sans Souci NSW 2219 (02) 9549 7000 Health Konnect Medical Centre Sans Souci Central, Shop 4, 524/544 Rocky Point Rd, Sans Souci NSW 2219 (02) 7907 3983