

# **SAVE YARRA BAY FLOTILLA 15 MARCH**

## **FLOTILLA VESSELS**

### **All Participants**

Please note that all participants taking part in this event do so at their own risk and give their permission to be photographed and for any images taken to be used by the Save the Bay Coalition in articles or other media

For the safety of all please do not let off flares or bring or use wooden or metal poles to support placards or banners – cardboard tubes or pool noodles can be used instead.

A limited number of RCC street pole and other banners are available for loan to yachts able to fly these from their masts.

Please follow the directions of NSW Marine Rescue, Maritime, Maroubra SLSC personnel and Yarra Bay Sailing Club official boats at all times. The club's boats will be identified with placards as "Flotilla Official" boats.

Should the event need to be postponed due to poor weather or sea conditions this will be advised on Facebook and the Save Yarra Bay website by Friday 13 March or earlier if possible.

### **Communications**

During the event VHF channel 77 will be used as a working channel. Please listen out for any announcements on this channel. A fog horn will also be used to give a 5 minute warning prior to the flotilla highlight at 1300Hrs and a second blast at 1300Hrs will signal the start of the highlight – where all vessels and participants sound horns, wave banners and make as much noise as possible to create the perfect photo opportunity!

### **Safety Equipment**

To ensure a safe, fun event for all please note that the Water Police and Maritime Services will be on hand to ensure that all vessels taking part in the flotilla observe Regulations, are carrying the correct safety equipment for all persons on board and are not overloaded.

### **Boat Ramps**

Please note that the boat ramp at the club is NOT suitable for cars and trailers and there is no parking for vehicles and trailers at the club. The closest boat ramp is at Foreshore Road, but this may be crowded. An alternative ramp is available on the Cooks River at the former Brighton Fisherman's Club or other locations.

Kayaks and other paddle water craft may be carried through the club carpark and launched from the ramp on the right-hand side of the breakwater.

### **Parking**

Please follow the directions of the flotilla volunteers

No parking will be available at the Yarra Bay Sailing Club carpark

Limited parking is available at the Bicentennial Park parking area, but this area is expected to fill quickly

Additional parking is available on the main oval at La Perouse Public School via a gold coin donation for the school, or in surrounding streets.

## **Recycling/Rubbish**

Please recycle into the bins provided and place any non-recyclable items, food scraps, etc into the waste bins provided

## **Amenities**

Toilets are available on the northern side of the Bicentennial Park.

Food, coffee and beverages will be available from the club's lower bar.

Please note that alcohol is not permitted to be consumed outside the club's premises.

## **First Aid**

For any mishaps please advise the YBSC base via VHF channel 77.

## **Event Schedule**

0930Hrs	Marker buoys are laid to define the best view for the highlight photos and radio coverage on VHF 77 commences.
1000Hrs	Flotilla vessels start moving into position – please follow the directions of Yarra Bay Sailing Club “Flotilla Official” boats
1130Hrs	Beach goers start assembling on the beach
1145-1200Hrs	Singer, Chris Carpenter performs a medley of “Save Yarra Bay” protest songs outside the club's lower bar
1200-1255Hrs	Welcome to Country and RCC Mayor, Coalition and local dignitaries speak
1300-1310Hrs	Flotilla highlight – all vessels and participants sound horns, wave banners and make as much noise as possible to create the perfect photo opportunity!
1310-1330Hrs	Singer, Chris Carpenter performs a medley of “Save Yarra Bay” protest songs outside the club's lower bar
1330Hrs	Flotilla protest concludes – thanks for showing the NSW Govt that we care what happens to Yarra Bay!
1330Hrs	Flotilla disperses – to reduce the risk of collisions please follow the directions of YBSC Flotilla Official boats – thanks to Marine Rescue NSW, YBSC, NSW Maritime and Water Police for keeping us safe!