

# Humbug Lite

The Alternate GFS Newsletter

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Sailing Calendar – November - see the full Season Program on the GFS website - <https://gfs.org.au/>

Month	Day	Date	Event
December	Wednesday	6	Twilight Summer Race 1- <b>Youth off the Streets invitation</b>
	Saturday	9	Saturday Down Harbour Race 4
	Wednesday	13	Twilight Summer Race 1
	Saturday	16	Saturday Summer Race 2
	Wednesday	20	Twilight Summer Race 1
	Saturday	23	<b>Christmas New Year Break</b>
	Wednesday	27	
	Saturday	30	

**Please Visit the GFS website regularly for important club information.**

## When racing

Please remember Rule 46 applies although you no longer need to lodge a Persons On Board list when racing in GFS club races.

Please do not sail between moorings prior to the start of a race after the Warning Signal for your division.

## Australia Day



*Join us on the water to celebrate our National Day*  
— a day for all Australians — and participate in the oldest continuously-run sailing event in the world. Get out on the water, fly the flag and get front row seats to Harbourfest, as Sydney Harbour, in all its glory, bursts forth with colour, spectator fleets and action including the Harbour Parade, Ferrython, Tall Ships Race, and the RAAF Roulettes fly over.

**Australia Day**  
REGATTA

JANUARY 26  
2024

More celebration, than racing. It is a day to showcase the inclusivity and diversity of sailing as a sport. No boat is too large or too small to enjoy this wonderful day afloat with a wide range of events and activities planned across the harbour and up and down our east coast.

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For more information:  
[www.australiadayregatta.com.au](http://www.australiadayregatta.com.au)  
or contact your local sailing club

As always there are great images on the GFS Facebook site –

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/138966136751023/>



**Standown** crashing a wedding Saturday Summer Race 1 – image Mark Palmer



Twilight Spring Race 9 abandoned – image David Edmiston

A reminder - some **Saturday only** courses have been added for clubhouse starts. See the website – Racing Information

**GFS 100 years - GFS will celebrate 100 years next February!**

## Saturday Fleets

Saturday fleets are traditionally fewer in numbers than Twilight fleets. Spinnakers are allowed but not mandatory. The Saturday Divisions are less crowded and there is minimal interaction with fleets from other clubs.

The Saturday divisions could always benefit from extra participants. If possible, please consider joining the fleet.

Please note below, you do not need to use a spinnaker.



Saturday Spring Race 9 - Image Mark Palmer

### SI 25 n Prohibited Areas

- (i) All areas enclosed by **private moorings** are prohibited areas for all Club courses. Yachts racing in GFS events are not permitted to sail between moorings and between moorings and the adjoining shore.

Each area is considered to be an obstruction, not surrounded by navigable water, and not a mark of the course. RRS Rule 19 applies.

Blue Police buoys are considered to be private moorings.

Yachts breaking Sailing Instruction 25n (i) may retrace their course until outside the restricted area then do a Two Turns Penalty. If they fail to do this and are protested by another yacht they will be automatically classed as DNF. They will be contacted and informed of this by either the Sailing Secretary or the Twilight Captain.

### KPMG Australia Sail Grand Prix - Sydney - February 24 and 25, 2024

SailGP features national teams battling in short, intense races at stadium-style venues at 13 different events around the world. The high-tech, high-speed action features sailing's best athletes racing in identical foiling F50 catamarans at speeds over 50 kph.

The event returns to Sydney for event 8 of the series in February with races on Saturday, February 24 and Sunday February 25. Race times are listed as between 16:00 and 17:30 hrs each day. The course area is between Clark Island – Bradleys Head – Chowder Head – Steel Point (Vaucluse) – Rose Bay and Point Piper.

## Spring Series Results

### Saturday

#### Division 1

Place	Sail No	Boat Name
1=	7129	HASTA LA VISTA
1=	AUS1125	TONIC
3	1255	STANDOWN

#### Twilight

##### Orange

Place	Sail No	Boat Name
1=	1893	VENTURA
1=	SM226	RED WILLIAM
3	1000	BARUBI

##### Gold

Place	Sail No	Boat Name
1=	808	BANJO
1=	5482	NAUGHTY CALL
3	5673	ON Y VA!

##### White

Place	Sail No	Boat Name
1	3608	JOKA
2	6430	AMATEAU
3	6694	PACA

#### Division 2

Place	Sail No	Boat Name
1	1531	FLAIR
2	6694	PACA
3	4113	SPEEDWELL

##### Green

Place	Sail No	Boat Name
1	R7	WIND CHARMER
2	7073	SERENDIPITY
3	4389	STREETFIGHTER

##### Blue

Place	Sail No	Boat Name
1=	6904	AURORA
1=	6637	SIROCCO
3	880	CARDINAL SYN

##### Black

Place	Sail No	Boat Name
1	7130	PASSION X
2	6115	CHAINSAW
3	112	JOLI

##### Etchells

Place	Sail No	Boat Name
1	AUS759	TISM
2=	1475	ETESIAN
2=	875	FINESSE

Congratulations to the winning skippers and crew. As you can see the results indicate the closeness of the series with a number of equal placings in several divisions.

## Times and Heights (Fort Denison).

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December 2023								
	Time	m	Time	m	Time	m		
1	0500	0.64	12	0146	0.50	23	0606	1.67
	1135	1.75		0822	1.82		1243	0.52
FR	1829	0.45	TU	1505	0.36	SA	1832	1.33
				2055	1.34			
2	0027	1.20	13	0228	0.50	24	0022	0.49
	0544	0.69		0905	1.89		0658	1.75
SA	1216	1.66	WE	1550	0.30	SU	1343	0.45
	1914	0.51		2144	1.35		1931	1.30
3	0115	1.18	14	0313	0.50	25	0108	0.52
	0631	0.74		0950	1.94		0745	1.81
SU	1300	1.58	TH	1637	0.27	MO	1435	0.39
	2000	0.55		2233	1.29		2024	1.29
4	0207	1.18	15	0400	0.51	26	0153	0.53
	0726	0.77		1038	1.95		0831	1.84
MO	1348	1.50	FR	1727	0.26	TU	1520	0.36
	2049	0.57		2325	1.33		2112	1.28
5	0304	1.21	16	0452	0.52	27	0237	0.55
	0829	0.80		1128	1.93		0914	1.85
TU	1443	1.43	SA	1818	0.27	WE	1602	0.35
	2138	0.58					2156	1.28
6	0401	1.26	17	0019	1.33	28	0318	0.56
	0937	0.80		0547	0.55		0955	1.84
WE	1544	1.38	SU	1219	1.88	TH	1642	0.37
	2226	0.57		1912	0.30		2236	1.28
7	0454	1.34	18	0116	1.34	29	0359	0.58
	1047	0.77		0647	0.58		1033	1.81
TH	1645	1.35	MO	1314	1.79	FR	1719	0.40
	2310	0.55		2006	0.34		2315	1.27
8	0541	1.43	19	0215	1.36	30	0439	0.60
	1151	0.70		0752	0.61		1111	1.76
FR	1741	1.33	TU	1413	1.68	SA	1756	0.43
	2350	0.53		2100	0.38		2354	1.26
9	0622	1.53	20	0316	1.41	31	0519	0.63
	1246	0.62		0901	0.63		1148	1.69
SA	1832	1.33	WE	1515	1.56	SU	1832	0.47
				2153	0.41			
10	0029	0.52	21	0416	1.49			
	0701	1.63		1016	0.63			
SU	1335	0.53	TH	1623	1.46			
	1920	1.33		2245	0.44			
11	0106	0.51	22	0513	1.58			
	0741	1.73		1133	0.59			
MO	1420	0.44	FR	1730	1.38			
	2008	1.34		2333	0.47			

### Helly Hansen

Helly Hansen is a company manufacturing professional grade gear. It offers technical sailing and performance ski apparel, as well as premium workwear. The Company provides clothing and footwear for sailing, hiking and other outdoor activities.

### Sydney 4WD

Based in Thornleigh, Sydney 4WD have been producing top of the line vehicle builds with thousands of retail, trade and fleet vehicles passing through their workshop every year. Specializing in super high-quality Ironman 4x4 "fit for purpose" builds and a massive range of products, brands, and services.

### Joe Walsh Rigging

Joe Walsh Rigging specialises in all marine and architectural rigging, masts and spar fabrication, repair, painting, all rigging requirements, furling systems and AYF Rig Insurance Inspections. Located at Woolwich Marina.

### Doyle-McDiarmid Sails Sydney

Doyle-McDiarmid Sails is located in Gladeville. Services include an in-house design team, laser cutter and modern machinery for new sails, repairs, covers and ongoing service.

### Oatley Wines

Robert Oatley Wines celebrates the memory of Bob Oatley through a trio of labels: the maritime-influenced Signature Series, the specific vineyard focused Finisterre, and the best of the best barrels under The Pennant label. They focus on wines from Margaret River and McLaren Vale.

### Zjoosh

Located in Lane Cove, Zjoosh is a unique Australian lifestyle brand. It specialises in "the finishing touches". From its early beginnings as a fashion jewellery and accessories brand, Zjoosh has broadened to homeware and gifts.

Indicates high tide of 1.7m or more		Indicates low tide of 0.3m or less	
New Moon ●	First Quarter ◐	Full Moon ○	Last Quarter ◑



We acknowledge the Cammeraygal people of the Guringai nation, the traditional custodians of the lands and water on which we meet and compete, and we pay our respect to their Elders past, present and emerging.



Joe Walsh  
Rigging

