

Humbug Lite

The Alternate GFS Newsletter

Edition 21 - January 2024

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

| Month | Day | Date | Event |
|-----------------|-----------|------|--|
| January 2024 | Wednesday | 3 | Twilight Summer Race 4 |
| | Saturday | 6 | Saturday Summer Race 3 |
| | Wednesday | 10 | Twilight Summer Race 5 – Women's Helm Race 1 |
| | Saturday | 13 | Joe Walsh Down Harbour Race 5 |
| | Wednesday | 17 | Twilight Summer Race 6– Women's Helm Race 2 |
| | Saturday | 20 | Saturday Summer Race |
| | Wednesday | 24 | Twilight Summer Race 7– Women's Helm Race 3 |
| | Friday | 26 | Australia Day Regatta – Sydney Harbour |
| | Saturday | 27 | Saturday Summer Race |
| | Wednesday | 31 | Twilight Summer Race 8 – GFS Twilight Australia Day Race |

Please Visit the GFS website regularly for important club information.

GFS Women's Helm Series 2024

Race 1: 10 January

Race 2: 17 January

Race 3: 24 January



Pls notify Holly of your intention to race
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Duty Roster

Twilight Series 2023-2024

| Race | Date | Sail No | Boat | Skipper | |
|---------------|-----------|---------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Spring Series | | | | | |
| 1 | 04-Oct-23 | R7 | WORLDS APART | Christopher | Stannard |
| 2 | 11-Oct-23 | 4389 | STREETFIGHTER | Ian | Smith |
| 3 | 18-Oct-23 | AUS759 | TISM | Ritchie Lees / | Michael Coleman |
| | | 1255 | STANDOWN | Jim | Lelliott |
| 4 | 25-Oct-23 | AUS759 | TONIC | Malcolm | Blomfield |
| | | AUS1256 | ADRENALINE | Rolf | Lunsmann |
| 5 | 01-Nov-23 | AUS1125 | VENTURA | Anthony | Kongats |
| 6 | 08-Nov-23 | M88 | 3 DOGS | Michael | Rooney |
| 7 | 15-Nov-23 | 2156 | ECHO | Gerry | Morcombe |
| 8 | 22-Nov-23 | 3608 | JOKA | Cec | Williams |
| 9 | 29-Nov-23 | 6430 | AMATEAU | Brian | Davey |
| Summer Series | | | | | |
| 1 | 06-Dec-23 | 6904 | AURORA | Jeff | Lewis |
| 2 | 13-Dec-23 | GBR32 | JESTER | Tim | Harrington |
| 3 | 20-Dec-23 | 808 | BANJO | Nick | Reed |
| | | 880 | CARDINAL SYN | Jorgen | Kristoffersen |
| 4 | 03-Jan-24 | 6115 | CHAINSAW | John | Amos |
| 5 | 10-Jan-24 | AUS762 | CHLOE | Tim | Murray |
| 6 | 17-Jan-24 | 6166 | SWEET CHARIOT | Ralph | Pickering |
| 7 | 24-Jan-24 | M138 | CONQUISTA | Alan | Bull |
| 8 | 31-Jan-24 | 5596 | DOLPHIN II | Johan | Brinch |
| Autumn Series | | | | | |
| 1 | 07-Feb-24 | 1893 | VESILLE | Patrick Medley/ | Graeme Kennedy |
| 2 | 14-Feb-24 | AUS158 | JAYDED | Steven | Butel |
| 3 | 21-Feb-24 | 4397 | COCKATOO | John | Southwood |
| 4 | 28-Feb-24 | 6480 | EUREKA | Charles | Daniels |
| 5 | 06-Mar-24 | 118 | FAST FORWARD | Max Gundy | Bob Paton |
| 6 | 13-Mar-24 | 8800 | FIREBALL | Bill | Lea |
| 7 | 20-Mar-24 | 6447 | FIREFLY | Roger | Gee |
| 8 | 27-Mar-24 | 4517 | FUZZY LOGIC | Andrew | Glassock |
| 9 | 03-Apr-24 | 16 | GRETA | Andrew Davidso | Clive Hassett |
| | | MH117 | HIGHLAND GHOST | James | Douglas |

2023 Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race



| CATEGORY | PLACING |
|------------------|---------|
| Line Honours | 68 |
| IRC | 54 |
| IRC - Div 5 | 6 |
| Corinthian - IRC | 15 |
| 2-Handed IRC | 6 |

Well done to GFS member Chris O'Neill and Michael Tom Johnson sailing Chris' J99, **Blue Planet**, which finished 6th in the two handed division in the 2023 Sydney to Hobart Yacht race.

Australia Day Regatta 2024

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
or contact your local sailing club

As always there are great images on the GFS Facebook site – <https://www.facebook.com/groups/138966136751023/>



Amateau - Twilight Summer Race 3 December 20 – image John Ewing

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 month – February 2024!

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.

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

SailGP features 10 'national' teams battling in short races at 13 different venues around the world, racing in identical foiling F50 catamarans at speeds over 50 kph.



Sail GP returns to Sydney for event 8 of the current series 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.



Image - John Ewing

Times and Heights (Fort Denison).

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

Please support our club sponsors –

January 2024

| Time | m | Time | m | Time | m |
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| 1 0034 1.26 | | 12 0301 0.45 | | 23 0053 0.62 | |
| MO 0601 0.67 | | FR 0938 2.01 | | TU 0733 1.74 | |
| 1225 1.62 | | 1624 0.20 | | 1429 0.45 | |
| 1910 0.51 | | 2220 1.40 | | 2019 1.24 | |
| 2 0118 1.27 | | 13 0353 0.42 | | 24 0142 0.60 | |
| TU 0648 0.71 | | SA 1027 2.04 | | WE 0819 1.77 | |
| 1305 1.54 | | 1712 0.18 | | 1509 0.41 | |
| 1948 0.54 | | 2310 1.43 | | 2100 1.28 | |
| 3 0206 1.29 | | 14 0445 0.41 | | 25 0226 0.57 | |
| WE 0742 0.75 | | SU 1116 2.01 | | TH 0900 1.79 | |
| 1349 1.45 | | 1759 0.19 | | 1545 0.39 | |
| 2030 0.57 | | | | 2138 1.31 | |
| 4 0258 1.32 | | 15 0000 1.46 | | 26 0306 0.55 | |
| TH 0844 0.78 | | MO 0540 0.43 | | FR 0938 1.79 | |
| 1441 1.36 | | 1206 1.93 | | 1618 0.39 | |
| 2115 0.59 | | 1845 0.24 | | 2213 1.33 | |
| 5 0351 1.38 | | 16 0052 1.48 | | 27 0344 0.54 | |
| FR 0955 0.78 | | TU 0637 0.48 | | SA 1014 1.78 | |
| 1542 1.28 | | 1257 1.79 | | 1650 0.40 | |
| 2202 0.60 | | 1932 0.32 | | 2246 1.34 | |
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| SA 1109 0.74 | | WE 0739 0.54 | | SU 1047 1.75 | |
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| 2252 0.61 | | 2021 0.40 | | 2321 1.35 | |
| 7 0535 1.53 | | 18 0243 1.53 | | 29 0458 0.56 | |
| SU 1216 0.66 | | TH 0847 0.60 | | MO 1120 1.69 | |
| 1757 1.22 | | 1450 1.45 | | 1751 0.44 | |
| 2342 0.60 | | 2111 0.49 | | 2356 1.37 | |
| 8 0625 1.63 | | 19 0343 1.56 | | 30 0537 0.59 | |
| MO 1314 0.56 | | FR 1004 0.63 | | MO 1154 1.62 | |
| 1857 1.24 | | 1559 1.30 | | 1821 0.47 | |
| | | 2204 0.56 | | | |
| 9 0031 0.58 | | 20 0444 1.60 | | 31 0033 1.38 | |
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| 10 0121 0.54 | | 21 0545 1.65 | | | |
| WE 0800 1.85 | | SU 1242 0.56 | | | |
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| 2042 1.33 | | 2359 0.62 | | | |
| 11 0211 0.50 | | 22 0642 1.70 | | | |
| TH 0849 1.94 | | MO 1342 0.50 | | | |
| 1538 0.25 | | 1930 1.21 | | | |
| 2130 1.37 | | | | | |

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.



Joe Walsh
Rigging



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.