



## NOTICE OF RACE BALMAIN REGATTA

Incorporating the  
“Cockatoo Island Classic”

**SUNDAY October 26, 2014 from 11 am AEDT**

***PREAMBLE:** The Balmain Regatta is one of Sydney's oldest sporting events, with a long history in our waterways. It was first held in 1849 and continued until 1934, when it was discontinued. It was revived in 1994 by the Wooden Boat Association, and Balmain Sailing Club. Today it is run by Balmain Sailing Club, with the support of other harbour sailing clubs and community organisations, and is a real celebration of Balmain and sailing on the Western Harbour. The Balmain Sailing Club invites sailors, boaties and the general community to join with us for the 2014 Balmain Regatta. It will include a full day of racing and water events, along with a non-stop stream of food, refreshments and activities for everyone. The racing area will generally be west of Sydney Harbour Bridge – although some of the faster classes will venture under the Bridge to Shark Island before returning to finish with all other classes in front of the Balmain Sailing Club.*

**1. RULES** The Regatta will be governed by the ISAF 2013-2016 Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions and special regulations of YA, by this Notice of Race and by the Balmain Regatta Sailing Instructions.

**2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY:** The regatta is open to any vessel acceptable to the Regatta Race Committee on the day.

Eligible boats shall enter using the Balmain Regatta Entry Form which shall be lodged via the Balmain Sailing Club website ([www.balmainsailingclub.com](http://www.balmainsailingclub.com)), by Friday October 17, 2014, and including the relevant entry fee. The entry form will shortly be available at [www.balmainsailingclub.com/balmain-regatta](http://www.balmainsailingclub.com/balmain-regatta).

**3. ENTRY FEES** (Received prior to Friday October 17, 2014)

- Free All Vessels from the Australian Maritime Museum & Heritage Fleet
- \$30 Waterman/Skiffs/Dinghies
- \$50 Yachts and Community Services Cup
- \$500 Pub Challenge (Includes \$100 Bar and Food Tickets)

#### **4. ONE DESIGN CLASSES**

Entries are invited from the following One Design Classes, which, if there are sufficient entries, will have their own individual Divisions:

Flying Tiger FT10s	Adams 10s
Cavalier 28s	Endeavour 24s
Wet-sailed Etchells	J24s
Young 88s	Super 30s
Hood 23s	Vintage Skiffs (18 foot and 10 foot).

*Note: The Balmain Regatta Race Committee recognises that some boats which fit under these class descriptions are not strictly One Design and so will provide a rating adjustment where appropriate. The*

*Committee reserves the right to cancel a class or to combine classes subject to the number of entries received or for other reasons at its discretion. Additional One Design classes may be added subject to the committee's discretion where more than five boats of the same class are entered.*

## **5. COCKATOO ISLAND CLASSIC**

The 2014 Balmain Regatta will once again incorporate the Cockatoo Island Classic for Metre Boats. Further details will be made available on [www.balmainsailingclub.com/balmain-regatta](http://www.balmainsailingclub.com/balmain-regatta)

## **6. MIXED FLEET CLASSES**

Open Dinghies, Vintage Skiffs, Open Yachts A, Open Yachts B (non spinnaker), Classic Yachts A and B, Pub Challenge, Services Cup.

## **7. OTHER EVENTS**

Waterman's Race (classic rowing dories)

Presentation

Band and entertainment.

Refreshments available from early to late.

## **8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Regatta Sailing Instructions will be posted on the BSC website during the week before the Regatta.

## **9. REGATTA SITE AND RACING AREA**

The regatta will be held on Sydney Harbour primarily west of the Harbour Bridge, but with some courses extending east to Shark Island. The starting and finishing area will be between Cockatoo Island and Balmain Sailing Club.

## **10. COURSES**

Will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

## **11. PRIZES**

Will be awarded to the first three places in each division.

## **12. INSURANCE & SAFETY**

All participating Yachts will be required to hold a current Safety Certificate (Category 7 – YA Special Regulations Part 1 Section 2) or higher, and owners must warrant they hold this. A yacht's Safety Certificate must be produced on demand.

All owners of vessels competing in the Balmain Regatta will be required to hold current Third Party Liability Insurance cover of not less than \$10 million for each separate incident and current on the date of the Regatta. All owners must warrant that their vessel's insurance fulfils this requirement while under racing conditions.

## **14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4 in the Racing Rules of Sailing, - Decision to Race. 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.

## **16. FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information, please email [racing@balmainsailingclub.com](mailto:racing@balmainsailingclub.com), or visit the website [www.balmainsailingclub.com/balmain-regatta](http://www.balmainsailingclub.com/balmain-regatta)