

# BRIEF FOR THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS OCEAN YACHT RACES 1998

## Introduction

At the end of each year the states of NSW, Victoria and Tasmania get involved with major ocean yacht races. These races are well organised and rarely call upon State or Commonwealth SAR resources but may involve several hundred yachts at sea at anyone time.

The races are:

Race	Date	Number of Entries	Parent Yacht Clubs
Sydney to Hobart	26 Dec02 Jan	115	Cruising Yacht Club of Australia (CYCA) Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania (RYCT)
Sydney to Coffs Harbour	27 Dec30 Dec	80	Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club (RPAYC) Coffs Harbour Yacht Club
Melbourne to Hobart	27 Dec01 Jan	24	Ocean Racing Club of Victoria (ORCV) Derwent Sailing Squadron
Melbourne to Devonport	27 Dec30 Dec	40	Ocean Racing Club of Victoria Mersey Yacht Club

## Participants

This year's Sydney to Hobart 115 yacht fleet will include overseas yachts from Great Britain, Greece, France, New Caledonia, Papua New Guinea and the USA.

Full details of yachts participating in each race can be obtained from the respective Race Control. Lists of entrants can also be obtained by fax before race start.

## The role of AusSAR

AMSA (AusSAR) has been directly involved with the Sydney to Hobart yacht race since 1994. Each year one field officer is assigned to Race Control Hobart, to act as the SAR advisor to the race. The field officer attends the pre-race brief in Sydney. AusSAR also attends the pre-race brief for the Melbourne to Hobart race in Melbourne when requested by the ORCV. The field officer in Hobart has close liaison with the ORCV Race Control at the Derwent Sailing Squadron.

The primary role of the AusSAR field officer is to provide support and advice to the race controllers on SAR and communications matters and act a link between race control, the RCC and the State Police. He does not have any SARMC responsibilities but rather acts as the filter for non-urgent matters.

The secondary role of the field officer is to act as the AMSA (AusSAR) representative for industry liaison at race briefs, de-briefs and presentations.

### Race Control

<u>RACE</u>	<u>RACE CONTROL</u>	<u>TELEPHONE</u>	<u>RADIO RELAY VESSEL</u>	<u>COMSTAT</u>	<u>FREQS</u>	<u>SKEDS (EASST)</u>
Sydney to Hobart	RCYT CYCA	03-62345853 02-93634445	Young Endeavour	Tascoast	4483/6227	0305, 1405, 2205 until 30th 0705, 1845, 2305 from 31st
Sydney to Coffs Harbour	Coffs Harbour Yacht Club	02-66524390, or Dennis Thompson 0417-686640	Alfreds One (0418-276409)	Penta	4483/VHF73	0005, 0635, 1535
Melbourne to Hobart	Derwent Sailing Squadron	03-62231977	Akuna	Mersey	2524/4483	0605, 1305, 2115,
Melbourne to Devonport	Mersey Yacht Club	03-64278655	Aquila	Mersey, or Tasmar	2524/4483	0635, 1405, 2305

**Field Officer:** SSARO Sam Hughes will be located at CYCA 26<sup>th</sup> Dec and at RCYT from 27<sup>th</sup> Dec to 2nd Jan at RCYT. Telephone 018-622723.

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### SAR Responsibilities

The established Commonwealth/State arrangements will apply. AusSAR SARMCs must be mindful that waters in the eastern Bass Strait from Gabo Island to Cape Barren, are open waters where little, if any, Police assistance can be provided.

The respective race control headquarters will normally utilise race participants to assist other yachts in difficulty. Communications will be via the Radio Relay vessel.

### Missed Radio Schedules

A yacht which fails to report for two successive radio schedules and can neither receive nor transmit on HF or VHF will after missing the second successive schedule ignite a white flare at the evening safety schedule.

### Retiring Yachts

Yachts retiring from the race are required to maintain radio schedules with the respect radio relay vessels/Comstat until safely in port. Yachts are also to report their safe arrival to the local port authority (RVCP, AVCG) on entry and ensure race control is advised of their safe arrival in port.

### Environmental Conditions

The southern part of Australia is subject to frontal activity during this time of the year. Winds exceeding 35 knots with stronger gusts during the passage of the front can be expected. Along the NSW coast the predominately southerly winds can create very large seas when acting against the south setting current. The shallow waters of the Bass Strait can be particularly difficult for small craft in strong wind conditions.

**SAR RESOURCES**

**AVIATION**

<u>Location</u>	<u>Company</u>	<u>Aircraft Type</u>	<u>PADS</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
<b><u>CSU's</u></b>				
Brisbane	Great Western Aviation	PA31 X 2	Yes	
Bankstown	Crane Air	BE76/PA31/PA60		
Wollongong	Wollongong Aerial Patrol	PN68/C402		
Canberra	VH Aviation	C404/C404/C441/BE58	Yes	
Moorabbin	General Flying Service	PA31/C310	Yes	
Launceston	Tasmanian Aviation Centre	AC68/AC50/AC50		
Hobart	Tasair	AC50/AC50		
Adelaide	Polair	C402/C402		
Mount Gambier	O'Connor Airlines	P68/C441		

**Helicopters**

Tugan	Careflight	B12		H24
Lismore	Westpac	2 X SA365		H24
Newcastle	Westpac	B12 + B06		H24
Williamtown	Lloyd	S76		Callout
Westmead	Careflight	B12		H24
Prince Henry	Lifesaver	BK117		H24
Wollongong	Lifesaver	BK117		Day ONLY
Canberra	Southcare	B12		H24
Traralgon	Helimed1	B12		H24
East Sale	Lloyd	S76		3 hours
Essendon	Polair/Air Ambulance	2 X SA365 + AS50		H24
Sorrento	SPRS	B06		VFR ONLY
Cambridge	Polair	AS50 (+ 4 x AS50 1/1/99)		as req

**Defence**

NAS Nowra	MHQAUST	SK61 & SK70		12 hours
Richmond/Edinburgh	AHQUSST	C130 or P3C		12 hours

**MARITIME**

**Defence**

Sydney	MHQAUST	Destroyer or Frigate		8 hours
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**Police**

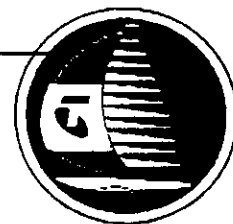
NSW Coastal	Sydney Water Police	Police vessel		Fleet following to Eden
Victoria	Melbourne Water Police	Police vessel		Sorrento area of ops
Tasmania	Hobart Police	Police vessel		May deploy

**Customs**

Tasmania	Coastwatch	Customs vessel		May deploy
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## 1998 Telstra Sydney-Hobart Yacht Race - List of Entries

	Yacht Name	Sail No	Owner	Type	Div.	State
1	ABN AMRO Challenge	8887	Ray Roberts	Sydney 46	IMS	NSW
2	Adagio	588	Peter Williams	S & S 36	PHS	TAS
3	Aera	GRE49040	Nick Lykiardopulo	Swan 46	CHS	UK
4	AFR Midnight Rambler	8338	Ed Psaltis / Bob Thomas	Hick 35	IMS	NSW
5	Alexander of Creswell	3807	Warren Hellwig	S111	IMS	ACT
6	Allusive	407	John Smith	Lyons 48	PHS	TAS
7	Antipodes Sydney	5659	Geoff Hill	Taswell 56	IMS	NSW
8	Antuka	WS91	Raymond Semmens	Adams 13	PHS	VIC
9	Aspect Computing	4826	David Pescud	Radford 46	PHS	NSW
10	Assassin	9999	Van Kretschmar / Crawford	Farr 40	IMS	NSW
11	Atara	IRL8000	Roger Hickman	Lyons 43	IMS	NSW
12	Aurora	4057	Jim Holly	Farr 1 tonner	IMS	NSW
13	Ausmaid	YC1000	Kevan Pearce	Farr 47	IMS	SA
14	Avanti	B409	Chris / John Mooney	First 38	PHS	VIC
15	B-52	8889	Wayne Millar	Sydney 41	CHS	QLD
16	Bacardi	SM377	Ainley / Williams	Peterson 44	IMS	VIC
17	Berrimilla	371	Alex Whitworth	Joubert 40	PHS	NSW
18	Bin Rouge	7633	Darryl Hodgkinson	Farr 31	IMS	NSW
19	Bobsled	5444	Paul White	Steinman	PHS	QLD
20	Boomaroo Morse Fans	RQ23	John McIntosh	S&S 34	IMS	QLD
21	Breakaway	Sm 596	Martin Power	Swanson 36	IMS	VIC
22	Bright Morning Star	1987	Hugh Treharne	Peterson 51	PHS	NSW
23	Brindabella	C1	George Snow	Maxi	IMS	NSW
24	Business Post Naiad	5466	Bruce Guy	Farr 40	IMS	TAS
25	Canon Maris	780	Ian Kiernan	Tasman Seabird	IMS	NSW
26	Challenge Again	SM2	Lou Abrahams	Sydney 41	CHS	VIC
27	Chutzpah	R33	Bruce Taylor	Murray 36	IMS	VIC
28	Computerland	125	John Saul	Inglis 47	PHS	TAS
29	Cyclone	5090	Stephen Keal	Frers 50	IMS	TAS
30	Dixie Chicken	PNG 6	Liz Wardley	Elliott 40	PHS	NSW
31	Doctel Rager	YC560	Gary Shanks	Elliott 55	PHS	SA
32	Elysion Blue	6812	Dominic Barbat	Swan 68	CHS	FIN
33	Forzado	7314	Geoff Phillips	Farr 1020	IMS	NSW
34	Foxtel - Titan Ford	M250	Hodder/Zemanek/Sorenson	Farr 50	CHS	NSW
35	Fudge	SM1	Peter Hansen	Elliott 56	PHS	VIC
36	Gundy Grey	C2	Robert Green	Adams 40	PHS	ACT
37	Hawk 5	GBR4640R	Nigel Bramwell	Sydney 40	IMS	NSW
38	Helsal II	SA 93	Keith Flint	Pocket Maxi	PHS	SA
39	Henry Kendall Akubra	6074	Patrick Wilde	Farr 1220	PHS	NSW
40	Hi Flyer	PNG 1888	Carol Turnbull	Beneteau 40.7	CHS	PNG
41	Hogsbreath Witchdocto	2557	Rum Consortium	Davidson 40	PHS	NSW
42	Impeccable	MH106	John Walker	3/4 Tonner	CHS	NSW
43	Indian Pacific	M19	Wayne Reynolds	Davidson 36	PHS	VIC
44	Industrial Quest	9090	Kevin Miller	Nelson Marek 43	IMS	QLD
45	Inner Circle	M762	Dennis Pomfret	Farr 40	IMS	NSW
46	Innkeeper	5462	Innkeeper Syndicate	Pocket Maxi	PHS	NSW
47	Jack Guy	3838	Gordon Ketelbey	Northshore 38	PHS	NSW
48	Jubilation	B116	David James	Farr 11.6	PHS	VIC
49	Kendell	4168	Jeff Cordell	Dubois 38	PHS	TAS
50	Kickatinalong	317	Mike De Berg	Adams 44	PHS	NSW
51	King Billy	4966	Phillip Bennett	King 38	IMS	NSW
52	Kingurra	B23	Peter Joubert	Black Swan	PHS	VIC
53	Komatsu Blue Lady	5669	Shane Kearns	Challenger 38	IMS	NSW
54	Lady Penrhyn	3809	Ian McPherson	S111	PHS	NSW
55	Liquid Asset	D34	Maurice Contessi	Duncanson 34	PHS	TAS

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56	Loki	3144	Stephen Ainsworth	Swan 44	CHS	NSW
57	Maglieri Wines	SA999	Brian Graves	Jutson 43	IMS	QLD
58	Marchioness	9431	Marchioness Syndicate	Maxi	PHS	NSW
59	Margaret Rintoul II	2170	Richard Purcell	S&S 48	IMS	NSW
60	Mark Twain	A113	Hugh O'Neill	S & S 39	IMS	NSW
61	Mercedes IV	1224	Peter Stronach	Kaufman 42	IMS	NSW
62	Midnight Special	9000	Peter Baynes	Jarkan 40	IMS	NSW
63	Miintinta	5838	Brian Emerson	Swanson 42	PHS	NSW
64	Mirrabooka	A8	John Bennetto	Frers 47	IMS	TAS
65	Misty	M678	Bryan Clague	S & S 34	IMS	VIC
66	Morning Tide	5488	Alan Fenwick	S & S 34	IMS	NSW
67	Nattel Adrenalin	1999	David Bennett	Peterson 38	PHS	NSW
68	New Horizons	M236	Michael Kelaher	Cavalier 37	PHS	NSW
69	Ninety Seven	9797	Graham Gibson	Farr 47	IMS	NSW
70	Nokia	COK1	David Witt	Farr 75	PHS	C.I.
71	Not Negotiable	5521	Michael Dolphin	UFO 34	IMS	VIC
72	Noumea	N11	Jean Luc Esplaas	Young 11	IMS	Noumea
73	Ocean Designs	RQ2000	Stephen Bean	Sydney 41	IMS	QLD
74	Outlaw	R17	Alan Quick	Sayer 44	PHS	NSW
75	Pippin	533	David Taylor	Farr 37	IMS	NSW
76	Polaris	5527	John Quinn	Cole 43	IMS	NSW
77	Quest	6606	Bob Steel	Nelson Marek 46	IMS	NSW
78	Ragamuffin	AUS70	Syd Fischer	Farr 50	IMS	NSW
79	Rapsallion-Team Synte	5588	Dick Voorderhake	Lyons 40	IMS	NSW
80	Red Jacket	HY1220	Ron Lally	Radford 12.2	IMS	WA
81	Relish IV	4337	Bill Bailey	Elan 43	PHS	NSW
82	Renegade	SA98	Robert Francis	Holland 40	IMS	SA
83	Ruff N Tumble	M180	Peter Heanly	Cole 43	IMS	NSW
84	Sagacious V	4000	Peter Davis / Hamilton	Farr 40	IMS	NSW
85	Sayonara	US17	Larry Ellison	Maxi	IMS	USA
86	Sea Jay	242	Scott Wheelhouse	Sydney 41	CHS	NSW
87	Secret Mens Business	SA3300	Geoff Boettcher	Murray 40	IMS	SA
88	She II	4924	Peter Rodgers	Mull 12.12	PHS	NSW
89	She's Apples Two	4527	Max Prentice	Jarkan 12.5	IMS	NSW
90	Siena	99	Iain Moray	Northshore 38	CHS	NSW
91	Sledgehammer	5785	Ron Jones	Sydney 40	IMS	NSW
92	Solo Globe Challenger	M2000	Tony Mowbray	Cole 43	PHS	NSW
93	Southerly	38	Don Mickleborough	Peel 35	IMS	NSW
94	Spirit of Downunder	R1200	Lawrence Ford	Cameron 12	PHS	VIC
95	Sword of Orion	2006	Rob Kothe	Reichel Pugh 43	IMS	NSW
96	Sydney	6070	Charles Curran	Sydney 60	IMS	NSW
97	T42 Solandra	A55	Craig Escott	S & S 34	IMS	TAS
98	Tartan	3846	Mark Ballard	Northshore 38	PHS	TAS
99	Team Jaguar Infinity III	5474	Martin James	Maxi	IMS	NSW
100	Tenacious	2919	Selwyn Enoch	Defiance 30	PHS	NSW
101	Terra Firma	4100	Nieman / Bartels	Murray 43	IMS	VIC
102	Tilting At Windmills	Sm 117	Thorry Gunnensen	John Dory	IMS	VIC
103	Trust Bank Hummingbird	3946	Errol Pyke	Farr 37	IMS	TAS
104	Unipro Ocean Road	5275	Kenneth Simpson	Adams 45	IMS	VIC
105	Vagrant	R133	Arch Waters	Magpie 34	CHS	VIC
106	Vaiheru	1195	Anthony Lyall	Elliott 13	IMS	TAS
107	VC Offshore Stand Asid	YC4882	James Hallion	Young 12	PHS	SA
108	Veto	5643	Graham Brown	Cavalier 38	IMS	NSW
109	Waitangi II	265	David Wearn	Jarkan 10	PHS	NSW
110	Wide Load	A16	Warren Anderson	Swarbrick 12	PHS	NSW
111	Wild One	Sm 1995	Gary Walker	Inglis 47	PHS	VIC

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112	Wild Thing	M10	Grant Wharrington	Maxi	IMS	VIC
113	Winston Churchill	27	Richard Winning	Coverdale 51	PHS	NSW
114	Yendys	1993	Geoff Ross	Beneteau 50	IMS	NSW
115	Zeus II	327	James Dunstan	1/2 ton	IMS	NSW