

SAILORS WITH DISABILITIES GROUP SAIL DAYS – IMPORTANT INFORMATION



We look forward to welcoming you on board our boat. The following information is very important to read in advance of your sail with us. As our organization is run by volunteers, we need you to help us, so please do read the following carefully.

1. **PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU HAVE NOTED YOUR SAIL DAY TIME AND DATE, AND SENT THE APPROPRIATE INFORMATION TO SWD**
2. **PLEASE PROVIDE SWD WITH A CONTACT PERSON FOR YOUR GROUP ATTENDING THE SAIL DAY – WE NEED A CENTRAL CONTACT PERSON IN CASE THERE ARE WEATHER CHANGES**
3. **PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING HELPFUL INFORMATION TO ENSURE YOUR SAIL DAY WITH US IS ENJOYABLE**

Who we are:

Sailors with disABILITIES (SWD) is committed to changing society's perception of people with disabilities. SWD's members believe that disabled people are capable of participating in active and responsible roles within society and should be treated as equals.

Harbour sailing, ocean racing, youth and schools programs, and inshore and coastal sail training programs are just some of the ways SWD achieves this goal. We are working hard to continue to offer this service free of charge, but we need to rely on generosity of our sponsors and volunteers.

Please visit our website for further information about our organisation
www.sailorswithdisabilities.com.

All participants are to be made aware of and accept the following terms and conditions

All care will be taken by SWD during your time on the boat. Should something happen that, despite SWD's efforts, leads to loss or damage of property, or injury, you agree by participating in the sail that you will hold SWD free from any responsibility for the loss, damage or injury.

Time

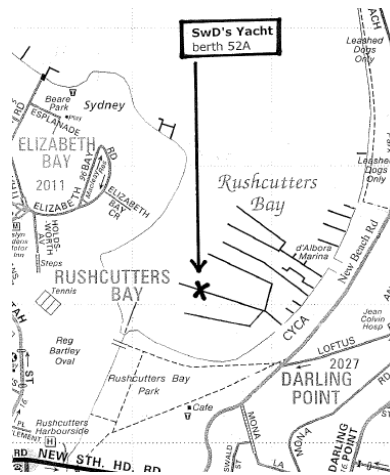
We run two sessions per day for harbour sail days throughout summer:

- 9.30am – 12.00pm Monday and Tuesday
- 12.30 pm – 2.30 pm Monday and Tuesday
- 11am – 2pm Sunday

Please arrive at the boat 15 minutes prior to departure.

Address

The boat is moored at the Cruising Yacht Club of Australia (CYCA), New Beach Road, Rushcutters Bay/Darling Point. The boat is usually on the main arm at berth 52A, or nearby. She has a pale blue hull and is called 'Kayle'.



Toilet. Due to the severe limitation regarding the use of the boat's toilet all necessary toileting should be carried at the CYCA prior to joining the boat. There are wheelchair accessible toilets in the Club.

Cares may be required to sign in as visitors to the Club prior to use of these toilets.

Parking is not easy. There is some on-street parking on New Beach Road, however, after dropping the children at the Club, you may need to go to Darling Point Road, beyond St Marks Church. Please allow at least 20 minutes to find a carpark and walk back to the Club. Disabled car parking may be available outside the club but it cannot be guaranteed.

School/Group minibus transport. When using this transport there is a possibility of using a CYCA allocated parking facility. Please contact your duty Skipper prior to arriving at the club and you will be advised if CYCA parking is available.

Public Transport: By train. The nearest station is Edgecliff. **By bus.** Nos 324,325, and 326 depart from Circular Quay going to the Eastern Suburbs (travels along New South Head Road, alight at Rushcutters Bay Park). No 327 also departs Circular Quay and stops on New Beach Road at the CYCA entrance.

How to find the boat: When you get to the entrance of the CYCA, take the path to the right of the club, past the restaurant and down towards the water, out onto the wharves. Walk straight ahead onto wharf A, and you'll find us on the left, at berth 52 or nearby.

Photography

SWD has cameras on the boat for security and promotional purposes and we reserve the right to use any photos both on our website and for other promotional purposes. Where wireless coverage is available live images from the boat will be posted on our website. Digital photos and/or video of all our sailing trips are usually available on our website a day or two after the trip.

Copyright of photographs and videos will remain with SWD.

What to wear and bring

Please wear warm casual clothing and white/light soled shoes. Please bring:

- ◆ Wet weather clothing/spray jacket if available
- ◆ Wide-brimmed sun hat and sunscreen
- ◆ Drink, preferably water in a plastic container. **NO GLASS PLEASE**

Please note that our boat is a **Smoke-Free Zone**.

Weather

As sailing is a water sport we usually sail even if it is raining, however we sometimes have to cancel a sail due to strong winds. If it is necessary to cancel your sail the Duty Skipper will advise your contact before 6pm on the evening prior to the sail. However, should the weather be particularly adverse on the morning of your sail day and you have doubts on the ability of your children to handle the changed conditions you can contact the Duty Skipper to cancel.

The decision of the Skipper to sail or cancel is final.

However on arriving at the boat the person in charge of the group may decide to cancel or limit the time the boat is on the Harbour.

Participants

We take a maximum of 14 people, including carers (MAXIMUM 5 WHEELCHAIRS – this may be reduced depending on the size of the chair). If there are electric wheelchairs the total number may have to be reduced. The minimum numbers are 10 people, including at least 5 people with a disability.

Cancellation policy

Visitors may cancel or postpone a booking at no cost up to 2 weeks prior to the sail date.

However, cancellations or postponements requested within 2 weeks of the sail date will incur an administration charge of \$250.

We also need the information of the participants and the name and mobile number of the person who will be in charge on the day. If we don't receive this information a week beforehand, SWD will be entitled to cancel the booking/sail.

To be invited to sail with us again, visitor groups need to respect our cancellation policy.

By signing this form you accept the terms and conditions outlined.

Feedback

Feedback from visitor groups is important because it allows SwD to improve its programs and to demonstrate to our corporate sponsors the extent and benefits of our programs.

We provide each visitor group with a feedback form but we also greatly appreciate any letters, drawings and especially photographs that visitors send us after their sail day. Please note that we may display these items on our website or reproduce them in promotional material.

To be invited to sail with us again, visitor groups need to comply with our request for feedback.

Membership

Visitors are not required to become members of SwD, however if you are interested in becoming a member, please talk to a crew member on your sail day or download a membership form from our website. The annual membership fee is \$50.00.