

Hi All,

We are all looking forward to you joining us in celebrating *Sabot sailing*, where we will continue the tradition of Sabot racing and junior training that started on the waters of Vaucluse Bay and Watsons Bay in November 1958.

I thought I would call out to you all to provide important information about this weekend's VA12SC Head of the Harbour Regatta Sunday 6th December:

- Arriving on Sunday morning,
- Registration,
- Your Safety check,
- Briefing,
- Sign on and Sign off,
- the Racing schedule,
- Storage,
- Leaving on Sunday afternoon

Arriving via water

Please make your way to Kutti Beach which is south of the clubhouse.

The rigging area is on this small harbour beach. Please anchor a good distance off the beach, and be aware of swimmers. Dogs are discouraged and not permitted at the club house.

Arriving via road

We will require all attending competitors with boats arriving by road to make their way to Marine Parade, Watsons Bay – you will need to unload & wheel your boat to rig on the beach at Gibson's Beach Reserve. As soon as you are able, make your way via sail over to Kutti Beach (about 200m) which is on the South side of the Club and will take only a few minutes to sail to.

VA12SC will transport your cradle over to Kutti Beach via water in one of our volunteer vessels.

You will be able to find parking in Hopetoun Ave or The Crescent near the access to the VA12SC Club house - which is accessed via Wharf Road off Hopetoun Avenue (Corner of The Crescent). Access to the club house from Wharf Road is via foot.

Pedestrian access to Gibson's Beach Reserve from Hopetoun Ave is via a path at the end of Palmerston St (there is no parking in Palmerston St).

Sunday Registration and Safety Inspections commence at 9.30am

Registration will be in the club house. Safety checks will occur on Kutti Beach only.

Pre-print and fill out your Registration and safety check list to save time on the morning.

Competitor Briefing

The competitor briefing will be in the clubhouse at 10.30 AM for the Open fleet and followed at 10.45AM for the Green Fleet

Sign-on & Sign-off

Sign on and Sign off will be in the club house near the notice board.

Racing schedule

Racing will not commence before 11.00am on Sunday for the Open Fleet, and
Racing will not commence before 11.30am on Sunday for the Green Fleet

Storage – Saturday night

All boats overnighting will be stored at the club house, or on Kutti Beach itself (All storage at the club or on the beach is at the owner's risk).

There will be no provision for storage on Gibson's Beach Reserve.

Prize giving

Prize giving will be carried out at the club house after the conclusion of racing on Sunday afternoon.

Departing on Sunday afternoon

After the conclusion of the prize giving, please organise to sail over to Gibson's Beach Reserve. You will need to co-ordinate the delivery of your cradle with one of the VA12SC volunteer fleet.

Please then de-rig on the grass or beach at Gibson's Beach Reserve and exit via Marine Parade, Watson's Bay.

Remember parking is limited in Marine Parade so do not leave your vehicle unattended while loading your trailer or car.

Traffic Flow management – Marine parade

Subject to the numbers of boats arriving and departing via road the club may need to station a Volunteer to manage the traffic flow in Marine Parade.

Club House

Our club house has a great view of most of the course area. Please come and enjoy watching the racing. We will have our canteen staffed and serve hot and cold food, as well as hot and cold drinks.

There will be a sausage sizzle on Sunday afternoon for the kids and parents to enjoy.

Please reach out to all your Sabot fleets and help us plan a successful and fun event. We will be particularly hoping to see a large 2-up fleet and first-time 1-up.

VA12SC like all of your clubs is run by a collection of volunteers, and we aim to make this Regatta a fun experience for all.

Thank you all for your help and see you at the club.