Batemans Bay Sailing Club Inc

Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions for Bhundoo Cup 2026

To be read in conjunction with BBSC keel boat NOR, available here:

https://bbsc.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2026/09/1.-2026-27-Notice-of-Race-Final.pdf

Eligibility:

The Race is open to all trailer-sailers & smaller keel boats whose mast will allow passage under the Batemans Bay bridge at all tides. (12m clearance HAT)

All competing (intending to race) boats will need to comply with **YA cat7 safety requirements** (pretty much the NSW maritime requirements with a couple of practical requirements). **The YA cat 7 requirement is self-auditing**, auditing form here:

https://bbsc.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Cat-7.pdf.

Please ensure that your boat is equipped with a **mobile phone and/or a VHF radio tuned to Channel 77** to ask for assistance & communicate with race management if required.

Competing boats should have a **working motor**, capable of getting the boat from Batemans Bay to Nelligen & return.

Entry fee is by gold coin donation – we just want to get you out there!

Any boat **racing** with non BBSC members – those non members will be required to register for a **YA sail pass** on the day. This is required for each crew member https://www.revolutionise.com.au/batemansbaysc/temporary-member/

This event is all about getting out on the water and having a fun family day.

The Race *(Not exactly Bridge to Bridge)*

A pre-race information session and race registration will be held at 9:30 am at the BBSC Clubhouse, Hanging Rock.

The race will start at 11:00 am or as soon as possible after the briefing (in the event of congestion at Hanging Rock), at the discretion of the Race Officer.

The start line:

Will be between the most western edge of the floating jetty in Batemans Bay central, and the red public mooring to its north.

The course:

From the start, sail west, then south upstream (obeying the channel markers) sail as far as you can. The winner of the day will be the boat that gets closest to Nelligen under sail 1.5 hours after the start.

Following boats will **not** be required to reach the same point as the leader. They should note the boats before and behind them so that second, third and subsequent positions can be determined by honest discussion afterwards.

All boats can then turn around and return to Hanging Rock, using motors if advantageous.

Boats shall not sail between moored boats & the shore.

After the Race:

Back at the Clubhouse, please stay for a picnic lunch (BYO food and drink) just as if you were at Nelligen - and great if your family can join you. If you need to cook a burger or something, the BBQ can be fired up.

Or. . .

If you can't make it up the river by sailing boat, you could borrow your next door neighbour's power boat and be a spectator fleet, then join the picnic. There may be a limited number of places available on the BBSC Committee boat, contact Committee@bbsc.org.au .

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If you are not racing there is no requirement to attend the briefing at the floating jetty in the morning.

Enquiries: (i.e. – if this is all a bit confusing but you still want to come & have fun!)

Committee@bbsc.org.au