

PROPOSED PROGRAMME OF EVENTS FOR PAC-RIM 20012

Saturday 17th March:

1. Pick up guests. The pickup location to be determined once all travel plans to Port Stephens are known. At this stage the Japanese will be arriving by a privately chartered bus, USA and New Zealand have made arrangements to arrive on the Port Stephens Coach's service from Sydney which arrives at Soldiers Point around 5pm.
2. Registration of guests at PSYC Clubhouse.
3. Hosts to supply evening meal.

Sunday 18th March:

1. Continue with arrival of guests and registrations.
2. Obtain basic details on those who want to go on sightseeing bus tours and those who want to go on spectator boats on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
3. Yachts will be available for those who want some practice. It is proposed that we have a get to know the boats cruise to Nelson Bay or Shoal Bay starting at 1:00pm
4. 6:00 to 6:30pm Pre dinner drinks at Soldiers Point Bowling Club. Pay for your own drinks.
5. 7:00pm Dinner
6. Opening Ceremony Commodore John Way and Mayor Bob Westbury to welcome guests. Invitations to Bob Baldwin Federal MP and Craig Baumann Local Member. Wives also to be invited
7. Port Stephens Ensemble Choir to sing 2 or 3 Australian songs.
8. Captains from each team to say a few words on behalf of their teams and country.

Monday 19th March:

1. 8:00am to 8:30am Briefing for Skippers. Pick up lunches for each boat
2. 9:30 am Spectator Boats to leave Marina. Lunches supplied.
3. 10:00 am Sightseeing bus to leave Clubhouse for predetermined destination. Lunch supplied.
4. 10:00 Hrs Start 1st Race.
5. 12:00 Hrs Start 2nd Race

6. Crews to change boats between 2nd and 3rd Race
7. 14:00 Hrs Start 3rd Race
8. After Race drinks and Sausage sizzle at Club house. Entertainment by "Sundays Record Duo" supplied by Chris and Jeanine Wilson.
9. 6:00pm Two or Three delegates from each Country to attend the John Bartlett Memorial Meeting to discuss the future direction of Pac Rim and to confirm that Bellingham are next in line to host the regatta.
10. Hosts to supply dinner if required.

Tuesday 20th March:

1. 8:00am to 8:30am Briefing for Skippers. Pick up lunches for each boat.
2. 9:30am Spectator Boats to leave Marina. Lunch supplied.
3. 10:00 am Sightseeing bus to leave Clubhouse for predetermined destination. Lunch supplied
4. 10:00 Hrs 4th Race
5. Crews to Change Boats between 4th and 5th Race
6. 12:00 Hrs Start 5th Race
7. 14:00 Hrs Start 6th Race.
8. After Race drinks and sausage sizzle at Clubhouse.
9. Hosts to supply dinner if required.

Wednesday 21st March: Lay Day.

1. Bus trip to Hunter Valley and surrounding areas for all Visiting Crews and Supporters. Departure time to be advised. Purchase your own lunches at Harrigan's Irish Pub at Pokolbin.

Thursday 22nd March:

1. 8:00am to 8:30am Briefing for Skippers. Pick up lunches for each boat.
2. 10:00 Sightseeing or Possible Ferry trip to Tea Gardens. Buy your own famous fish and chips in a cone for lunch.
3. 9:30am Spectator Boats to leave Marina. Lunch supplied.
4. 10:00 Hrs Start 7th Race.
5. 12:00 Hrs Start 8th Race
6. Crews to change Boats between 8th and 9th Race

7. 14:00 Hrs Start 9th Race
8. After Race drinks at Clubhouse.
9. This night is normally reserved for Guests to take Hosts out to dinner.

Friday 23rd March:

1. 8:00am to 8:30am Briefing for Skippers. Pick up lunches for each boat.
2. 10:00 am Sightseeing bus to leave Clubhouse to predetermined destination. Lunch supplied.
3. 9:30am Spectator Boats to leave Marina. Lunch supplied.
4. 10:00am Start 10th Race
5. Crews to change boats between 10th and 11th Race
6. 12:00pm Start 11th Race
7. 2:00PM Start 12th Race
8. After Race drinks and a "Pot Luck BBQ" Bring your own meat, chicken or fish to cook on the BBQ and a salad or vegetable dish to share. A chance for all Hosts and Guests to get together in a very relaxed atmosphere.

Saturday 24th March:

1. Reserved for the sailing of Races that may have been postponed.
2. Hosts can show guests some of the more interesting areas of Port Stephens.
3. 6:30pm Presentation Night at the Salamander Shores Hotel. Invited Guests (Bob and Mrs Westbury.
4. 6:30pm to 7:00pm Pre Dinner Drinks. Pay for your own drinks.
5. 7:00 Dinner
6. Presentation of Trophies to winning Country
7. Presentation of Gift too Competing Crews by Commodore John Way and Bill Haskell.
8. Competing Crews to do the traditional crew performance.
9. Live Band "Let the Mango" to supply music as required and to dance to at end of presentations.

Sunday 25th March: Departure of all Guests.

Notes:

1. Race start times could change. The Race Officer will make this call.
2. All other times are a guide only.
3. Lunches that are being supplied will consist of a gourmet filled roll, biscuit pack and bottled water.
4. Some of the predetermined sightseeing locations include:

Sightseeing tour of Newcastle with possible visit to the Westpac Rescue Helicopter Base and Newcastle Museum.

Historic Morpeth, Botanical Gardens at Raymond Terrace.

Tanilba Bay Koala Habitat.

Tanilba Bay Historic House. Entry fee ranges from \$11:50 To \$14:50 per person.

Drive around the local area and beaches and for those who are reasonably fit a walk up Tomaree Head.

Visit Wonganella and Port Stephens Wineries. Admission free. Murray's Brewery which has a \$5:00 per person admission fee.

Sand Dune tours. Costs involved.

Hunter Valley Zoo. Entry costs involved.

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