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Welcome to

# ROYAL QUEENSLAND YACHT SQUADRON

Welcome to the Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron, an institution that has forged a proud, enduring tradition of success and community in Queensland's boating fraternity.



Established in 1885, the Squadron has grown into a world-class facility for members to enjoy their boating interests as well as providing a venue for them to enjoy the times when they are not on the water.

This book is not just a snapshot of the Club for its existing members to share with friends and family, it is an opportunity for the Club to reach out to its extended neighbourhood, both for members and the public. We will give you an insight into what we have to offer by showcasing our great facilities, our camaraderie with fellow members and show you that you don't have to be a 'boatie' to enjoy one of the best yacht clubs in Australia.

For those who live for the water, RQYS is on the doorstep of beautiful Moreton Bay. The combination of the Bay's excellent conditions and our love for water activities creates the perfect gateway into the various offshore activities – including windsurfing, stand-up paddle boarding and, of course, many different types of boating. You might have a youngster interested in learning to sail or you

would like to learn to sail yourself (you're never too old), or you have thought about buying a boat and becoming a member of a Club where existing members are only too pleased to 'show you the ropes'. Whether your interests are competitive or recreational, the Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron can offer this and much, much more.

For those who like to stay ashore, by the water, we offer a range of social options, from our bistro and bar to a very popular cocktail bar, all of which are in one of the most glorious settings in the world, overlooking the Manly Boat Harbour adjacent to the Moreton Bay Marine Park. Our members frequently enjoy the various Club social events throughout the year. The Squadron often holds themed nights, concerts and celebratory events, member functions and hosts live music every Friday night and Sunday afternoon. We hope you enjoy the tour this book provides, and we look forward to seeing you at the Squadron soon, where a warm welcome awaits you.



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## RQYS -HISTORY & TRADITION



The Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron was established in 1885 when a group of like-minded people interested in water sports formed the Brisbane Sailing Club. Sailing quickly grew in prominence and popularity within the Club and, within a few years, the Club began competing with other sailors from around Australia. The inaugural inter-colonial sailing race in 22 Footers set the pace for our proud competitive tradition.

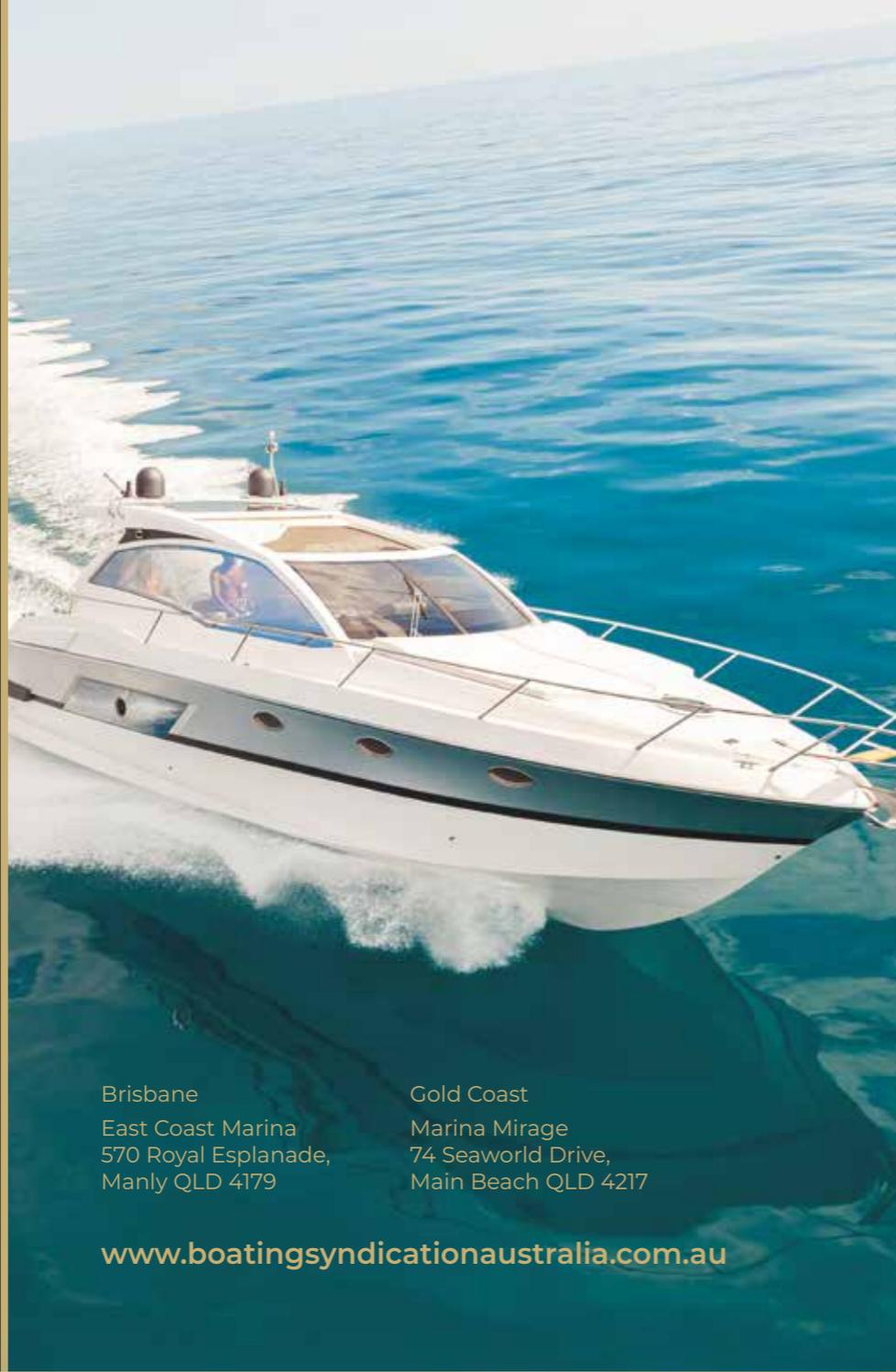


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By 1894, the restriction of 'Brisbane' was amended and the Club took the title of Queensland Yacht Club. In that year also, the Admiralty granted the Club permission to fly the Blue Ensign of Her Majesty's Fleet. In 1902 His Majesty, King Edward VII, bestowed the title 'Royal' on the Club and, in 1961, Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, approved a change of name to the Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron.

The final step came in 1991, when the Club was registered as an incorporated company and became the Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron Limited. The Club occupied various premises in and near the centre of Brisbane prior to moving to Manly for both clubhouse and sporting activities in 1964. The marina was constructed, commencing in the early 1980s, and the premises at Manly were freeholded in 1994.

This expansion and upgrading of facilities has been mirrored in our sporting achievements, with Olympic gold medals, world and national championships, participation in America's Cups, Admiral's Cups and many fine performances in blue water events.

The Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron is proud of its enviable record of having been involved in every Australian Olympic team since the Melbourne Games of 1956.

Ron Jenyns was the Squadron's first competing Olympian, in the Finn class at the Rome Games of 1960. 12 years later John Cuneo, Thomas Anderson and John Shaw won Olympic Gold in the Dragon class in that class's final appearance at the Olympic Games.

Since this monumental Olympic achievement, the Squadron has been represented at every subsequent Olympic Games – through the work of either competitors, coaches or team managers.

RQYS Members constituted 5 of the 11 members of the Australian Sailing Team – the most successful sailing team at the Rio 2016 Olympic Games. Over half of the women in this Team were RQYS members and our International 470 class men's team brought home the Silver medal.

With RQYS members reaching the very pinnacle of the sport, our founders would be justifiably proud of just how far their Club has come.





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## BECOMING A MEMBER

Choosing the Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron is choosing to belong to a diverse community brought together by the love of the water and boating, in all its forms. If you are drawn to the water, take pleasure in the wind or simply love messing around in boats, you belong at RQYS.



As a member of RQYS you join a community that welcomes your friends, family, children and colleagues. The excellent facilities are provided to our extended community, encouraging people to enjoy spectacular Moreton Bay and beyond.

Yes, the sailing and cruising is spectacular, and the location is stunning, but that's only part of it. Our members and our people make the Squadron a special place. Arguably the most compelling reason of all to join is because it presents the opportunity to belong to one of the world's great yacht clubs and the chance to make many new friends and to enjoy their company in an open and welcoming environment.

RQYS has a strong and growing membership base who come from all walks of life. New members are instantly made to feel a part of the

Club and are encouraged to play an active part in club life. No matter if you've never stepped foot on the deck of a boat or you're an accomplished mariner, the Squadron is here to instruct, guide, support, host and facilitate all on water activities.

The Squadron offers a comprehensive year-round competitive sailing, power and sail cruising calendar, which will satisfy all levels of intended participation.

For the non-boating minded, we offer a range of social options, a bar, a bistro featuring superb Australian seafood and cuisine and a coffee shop, as dining alternatives.

The joining process is quick and easy. Details of membership options and current rates can be found on our website, [www.rqys.com.au](http://www.rqys.com.au).

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## MEMBER BENEFITS

Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron has everything a member could need, on or off the water. There are many, many reasons why joining the friendliest, oldest and most successful recreational boating club in the State makes sense. Here are just a few:



- Feel proud of belonging to one of Queensland's leading sailing clubs, one with a rich tradition and an enviable Olympic heritage
- Belong to a thriving, successful club, one that takes care of its members and looks after their interests, be they sailor, power boat enthusiast or socialite
- Exclusive use of RQYS Canaipa, our 'down-the-Bay' retreat on the north east tip of Russell Island
- Numerous sailing classes offering year-round competition and the opportunity to participate in other club-organised regattas and events
- Spectacular setting with wonderful clubhouse facilities overlooking the Boat Harbour in beautiful Moreton Bay

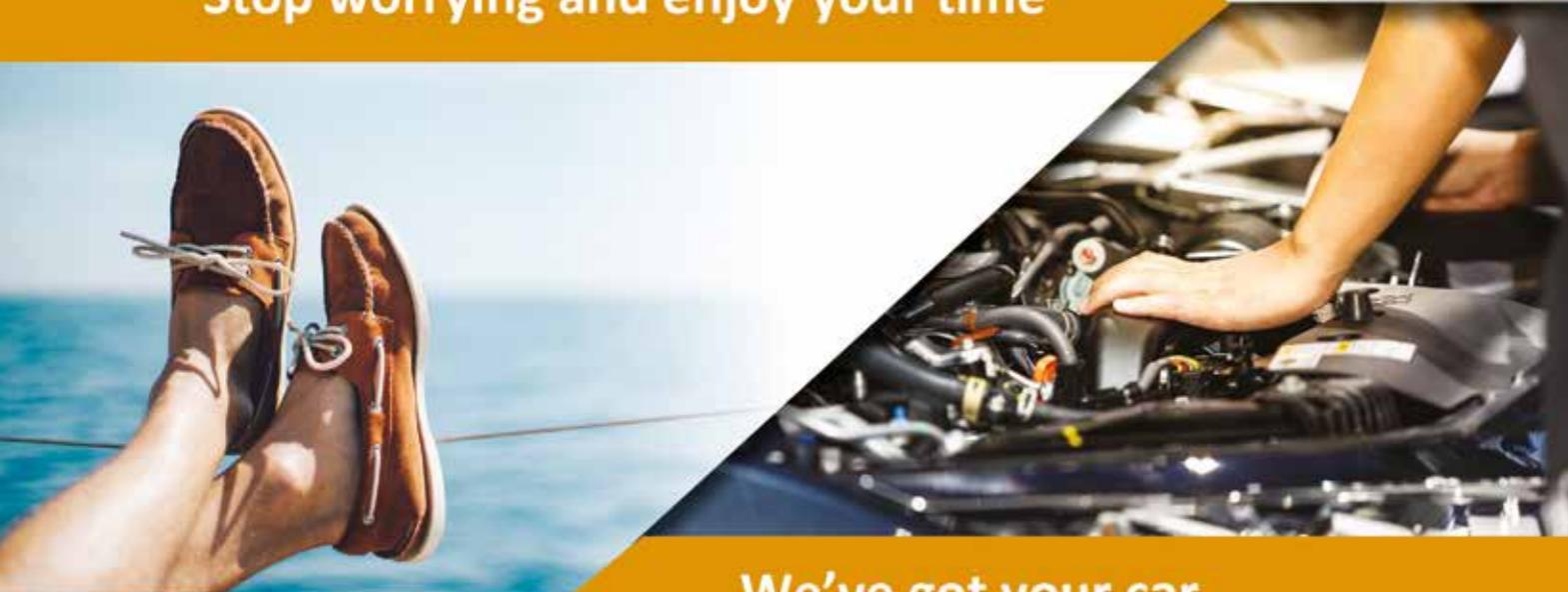




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- Boardwalk Breakfast – New menu, new trading hours! Now open 7 days from 7.00am, for those early birds, to enjoy breakfast on the Boardwalk
- Weekly promotions – live music, and delicious food specials. The Squadron regularly hosts a variety of unique experiences for all to enjoy
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- Canaipa Catering Packages available for RQYS members
- Cruising Groups – both power and sail, explore the Bay and surrounds every month in company
- Reciprocal arrangements with Southport Yacht Club and a growing list of reciprocal yacht clubs both within Australia and overseas
- Friendly and welcoming staff, always happy to help



## Preparing our students for tomorrows world

Moreton Bay College and Moreton Bay Boys' College run separate Pre-Prep to Year 12, single-sex school campuses as we believe that boys and girls learn differently. However, our unique college community means that several of our co-curricular programmes offer students the opportunity to learn together.

Our world class sailing programme, run out of the Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron, is one such programme. Since 1999, we've been developing sailors who have competed at State, National and International events, and stood on multiple podiums. With close proximity to the water, Moreton Bay College and Moreton Bay Boys' College have always had a strong connection to Moreton Bay.

For those chasing success, our high calibre coaches have decades of sailing and coaching experience between them, and work in conjunction with our families to develop high performing sailors. Others simply love being out on the water, and our coaches nurture that love for sailing in the hopes it becomes a life-long passion.

Our Racing and Development squads compete in regattas in Terms 1 and 4, and selected sailors compete in higher level regattas in Terms 2 and 3.

To learn more about our colleges and our sailing programme, please contact our Register on 07 32499322 or [registrar@mbc.qld.edu.au](mailto:registrar@mbc.qld.edu.au).



# RQYS CLUBHOUSE FACILITIES

A destination worth enjoying! Stop in and experience spectacular water views and great food with friendly and professional service. The RQYS Clubhouse has expanded its hospitality offerings, with more options available for our members and guests.



The Clubhouse facilities are open 7 days a week, now trading from 7:00 am daily, for breakfast, lunch and dinner, offering members and guests alfresco-style dining in an environment second to none, overlooking the beautiful Manly harbour.

The Bistro, waterfront dining at its best! A dedicated team of industry professionals will complement your dining experience, providing full table service. Celebrating Australian seafood and fresh produce, our Chefs provide an exciting menu that changes seasonally. Exclusive to the Bistro, enjoy a specially designed wine list. It has it all!

For that special occasion, and to avoid disappointment be sure to make a reservation: [reservations@rqys.com.au](mailto:reservations@rqys.com.au)

A new addition to our Clubhouse facility is the Cocktail Bar. Since its inception in early 2021 it has grown in popularity. Come and give it a try!

The Boardwalk Breakfast menu is our quiet achiever. Trading 7 days from 7:00 am till 10:30 am daily, it is gaining in popularity. A beautiful breakfast menu, along with fresh barista made coffee, is an option for all members and guests to discover.

RQYS Clubhouse provides all the hospitality services you would expect, including a fully operational bar, but that's not all, nestled alongside the Boardwalk is a secure, shaded children's playground. Family focussed, there is something for everyone at RQ.



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## SAILING ACADEMY

The Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron offers a wide range of nationally recognised learn to sail and sailing-related courses in dinghy, keelboat and board classes; no matter where you are in your sailing journey, the Squadron has a pathway to get you where you want to go.





## FOR KIDS:

The Squadron has a proud tradition of developing young sailors and offering opportunities to juniors whatever the extent of their ambitions – be it as Olympic hopeful, or purely for fun and recreation. Our children's learn to sail courses and programs cater for all ages over 6 and run both during the school term and during school holidays.

Our qualified instructors are experienced sailors who are also vigilant about safety and sun protection. They will not only make sure your child is safe, but that they have the time of their lives exploring the sport of sailing.

### SAIL & PLAY:

A week-long school holiday program that introduces kids to the fun and excitement of boating, helps them meet new people and make new friends, and has kids 6-12 years enjoying the great outdoors.

### TACKERS 1, 2 & 3:

This is a hierarchical program designed to progress kids through the basics of sailing – including sailing theory, safety, boat handling and maintenance and racing fundamentals; until they are ready to race all on their own! The staging of this program ensures that children have the flexibility to progress through, repeat and complete competencies as needed. RQYS is one of Australia's leading Tackers centres, often ranked 1st in participation numbers.

## FOR TEENS & ADULTS:

For the young and young at heart, we have a variety of courses, programs and vessels to suit everyone. Whether you are looking to be a champion competitive racer or you want to take your family for a cruise on the weekends, we can give you the skills and knowledge you need.

### DINGHIES:

Small boat sailing courses for the adventurous or competitive. We introduce you to the basics of sailing on a double-handed dinghy, including boat handling, safety, sailing theory and other sailing essentials: weather, tides, rules and regulations.

### KEELBOATS:

A collection of courses designed to acclimatise aspiring sailors to yachting, we teach you everything you need to know to both crew and skipper a larger vessel: boat handling, safety, sailing theory, weather, tides, procedures, rules and regulations.

### SAIL OUR BOATS – our most popular introduction to boating:

The Squadron has a flexible sailing program that allows individuals and families to use Squadron vessels for their own sailing adventures! The Sail Our Boats program incorporates membership and instruction to give participants the ability to learn and sail in a flexible format, according to their availability – across 10 or 20 sails depending on the package.

If you're new to the sport, you will be taught to sail by very experienced and qualified instructors and awarded the Start Skippering Certification, you will then be able to use the rest of your sails to privately sail the boats without an instructor. Once you are certified and deemed competent you will be on your way.

This is the perfect option for people who want to learn to sail and then privately use boats to race or cruise without the supervision of instructors, or for competent sailors who do not own a boat. It is extremely flexible and incredible value!

### COACHING

Professional coaching is available for all ages and abilities. From learn to sail to elite, dinghies to offshore our qualified Instructors can tailor a course to suit.

### WINDSURFING (KIDS & ADULTS!):

Want something a bit different? Give windsurfing a go! Our Start Windsurfing course covers everything from sailing theory, wind awareness, board handling, rigging, launching and retrieving gear, self-rescue, plus all the basic sailing techniques required to progress a complete novice to a level where they can sail in and out and up and downwind confidently in up to 12 knots of wind. All gear is provided.

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## Already a Sailor? JOIN OUR SAILING PROGRAM

No matter what class of boat you sail, you are always welcome at Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron. The club offers a comprehensive, year-round sailing calendar, which will satisfy even the keenest competitive sailor.



Regular weekend racing is offered for "off-the-beach" dinghies, windsurfers, Etchells right up to large yachts. There is an abundance of opportunities for our sailors to progress all the way from a novice to expert, either just to enjoy the sport of sailing or to participate in competitive racing.

Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron is the home of several regattas in several classes and categories and holds many regular sailing events throughout the year, including:

Brisbane Etchells Fleet Championship – the Squadron is home to a large fleet of regularly competing Etchells and this event is run annually. The Squadron has been the host of two Etchells World Championships, the most recent being held in 2018 where we saw nearly 100 entries from eight countries competing for the title.

Queensland Youth Week – junior and youth regatta held during winter with competitors travelling from all over Australia and New Zealand.

Sail Brisbane – a summer regatta for dinghy and board sailors of all ages leading into similar events and national championships around Australia.



## COASTAL YACHT RACES

The Club Marine Brisbane to Keppel Tropical Yacht Race and the Yacht Sales Co Brisbane to Hamilton Island Yacht Race are both held annually in August and attract a fleet of around 30 yachts racing north to Keppel Bay and further to Hamilton Island, feeding into the renowned Whitsunday Race Weeks.

**For more information on these events, please see our website: [www.rqys.com.au](http://www.rqys.com.au)**

## YACHT REGATTAS

RQYS regularly holds yacht regattas which include long standing events such as the: Goodwill Cup, Myora Cup, Canaipa Cup and many more, giving sailors the opportunity to compete close to home in our local waters.

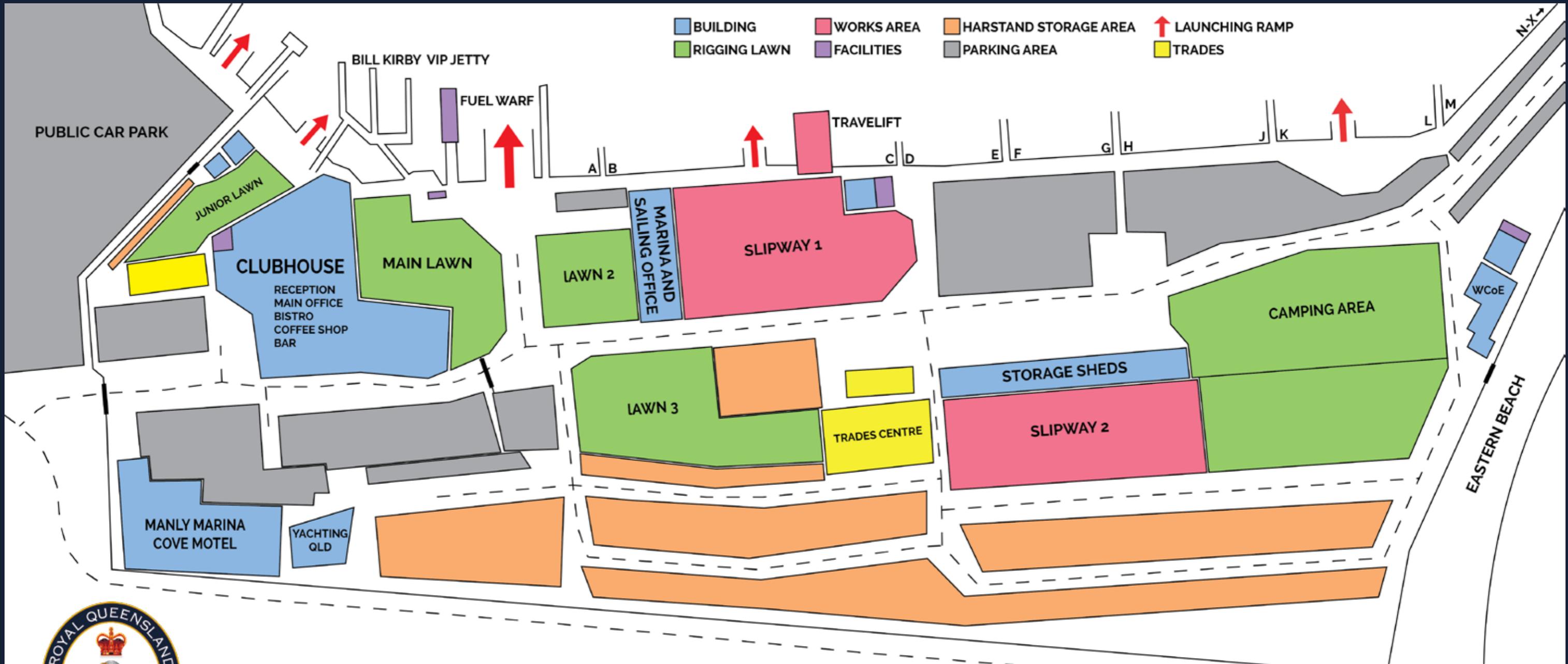
### WAGS – Wednesday Afternoon Go Sailing

Every Wednesday of every year (weather permitting), enthusiastic yachties take the afternoon off work and venture to RQYS for a sail around Green Island, just for the fun of it!

Rearrange your schedule and get on down to the RQ Bar from 11:00 am to enter your yacht or register your interest to crew. A small fee applies.

Our WAGS Team will do their best to place visiting sailors on a yacht, however this is sometimes dependent on weather conditions and boat availability and we cannot guarantee that a position will be available. A visit to the Squadron, though, will not disappoint, providing an opportunity to enjoy a lunch by the water and soak up the atmosphere of the surrounds.







### What happens to your assets on death?

When someone dies without leaving a valid Will, there are certain laws which set out how the assets of the deceased are to be distributed.

In Queensland, if the deceased has a spouse but no children, the spouse is entitled to the whole of the deceased's estate.

If there is a spouse and children, the spouse is only entitled to the first \$150,000.00, the household chattels,

and a portion of the balance of the estate. The children of the deceased are then entitled to share the assets the spouse does not receive.

If the deceased dies leaving children, but no spouse, then the children are entitled to the whole of the estate. If there are no children, then the assets will be distributed to the deceased's parents, brothers and sisters, nieces and nephews, grandparents, aunts and uncles and the children of aunts and uncles.

If you want to control how your assets are distributed, it is important you have a valid Will.

### What happens to your assets and children on separation?

How often do you hear people say, "she will take him for everything he's worth" or that "the Family Court will simply divide everything in half after a breakdown in the marriage"?

The reality is, however, that a property settlement is not a "one size fits all" process. Instead, the Family Court will consider:

1. The assets and liabilities, including superannuation, which are available for division between the parties.
2. The financial and non-financial contributions each party made during the relationship.
3. How each parties' future needs will be met.

Similarly, when it comes to formalising parenting arrangements for children, it is not necessarily the case that the Court will automatically decide that the children should live with each parent on a week about basis. There are a whole range of factors which must be considered, including where each of the parents live, the reasonable practicability of an equal time arrangement, the views of the children, and the capacity of each parent to care for the children.

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## JUNIOR & YOUTH SAILING

The Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron has a proud tradition of developing young sailors and offering opportunities to juniors whatever the extent of their ambitions, be it as Olympic hopeful, club sailor or purely for fun, recreation and lifetime activity.





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The Squadron has continued to support this long-term commitment to the future of the sport with a focus to increase participation of juniors and guide them along a Sailing Pathway to further develop their skills.

Sailing is the perfect recreational or competitive sport for all ages and there are few better experiences than spending some quality family time out on the water.

Several years ago, the club introduced Tackers, a wonderful training program and a great way for kids to get into the water and enjoy the safe, fun and adventurous world of sailing.

The Tackers program at RQYS has grown rapidly to become one of the largest in the country. The Junior classes fleet is now enjoying strong participation in the Optimist, Flying 11, Laser 4.7 and junior raceboard classes.

Lifelong Squadron Member Mathew Belcher and Honorary Member Malcolm Page helped launch the scheme, bringing the gold medals they had so gloriously won at the London Olympics with them. Having such role models would inspire any child, and every weekend it's a pleasure to see a whole new crop of would-be Olympic sailors displaying their skills.

Juniors progress through three stages of Tackers, gaining certificates along the way and acquiring new skills in the process, after which participants graduate into the Green Fleet, the developing ground for racing skills, as well as the comradeship of being involved in the Squad as Junior members of the Squadron.

It doesn't stop there, however. As you might expect from a club that has produced gold medallists at two separate Olympic Games, every encouragement is given to the high-fliers. Two members, Jake Lilley in the Finn class and Mara Stransky in the Laser Radial class, have been selected as part of the Australian Sailing Team to compete at the upcoming Tokyo Olympics.

The Squadron's RQYouthSquad enjoys training on a Saturday morning and racing on a Saturday afternoon as well as specific squad training through the week. The Squad has already developed several talented young sailors who may well be flying the Australian flag at future Olympic Games and in the meantime flying the burgee at the range of events across the country where youth sailors participate.

In addition to Tackers, RQYS offers Sail & Play, our most popular school holiday program, which runs from 9am to 3pm each day.

Sail & Play is aimed at 6 to 13-year-olds who think sailing, island adventure, windsurfing, stand-up paddle boarding, water games and navigation sounds like a load of fun. It is a great way to introduce the kids to the water, go sailing, make new friends and enjoy the great outdoors.

Not surprisingly, the program has proved very popular and it's absolutely essential to book early to reserve your place. For details of upcoming dates on any of our learn to sail events or courses, call the Sailing Academy Office on (07) 3396 8666 for more details or visit the Squadron website: [www.rqys.com.au](http://www.rqys.com.au)



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Volunteers act in several roles which assist the Sailing Office in conducting the Sailing program of the Squadron. Since the return to sailing after the COVID restrictions were relaxed we have been fortunate to have our strong Volunteer group throw their support behind the Squadron and bring sailing back with a vengeance. Participants in both sailing numbers and our volunteer base are on the rise.



The emphasis on volunteering at the Squadron is fun and this is also the theme of our training sessions, which have been embraced and enjoyed by many new and experienced volunteers. The lead-up to any of our events involves team training, including on-shore and on-water roles, so there is something for everyone. There are plenty of chances to try out new skills including:

- Race Officers
- Patrol Boat Skippers
- Crew on water
- Radio Operators
- Ramp Marshalls

Our volunteers range from the dedicated who volunteer on a regular basis, to those who only volunteer once or twice a year for special events. There is no minimum time commitment or experience level and an added bonus is that our training sessions are free, with equipment and tools of the trade provided.

Our volunteers were asked what they enjoy about being a part of the group, some of their answers were:

- To have fun and make new friends
- Explore career opportunities
- Develop new skills, and practise existing ones
- Achieve personal satisfaction by being a part of a team providing a service to our community

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If you are looking for a challenge the RQYS Cruising & Navigation Committee conduct a number of competitive navigation events each year, providing a true test of your navigation skills:

- The Goodwill Cup (established 1962)
- The Myora Cup (established 1949)
- The Past Commodores' Cup
- Night Raid Navigation Event

The first three events attract points towards the Squadron Champion award and other perpetual trophies. These events are also major social occasions, with the Goodwill and Myora spread over a weekend, culminating with breakfast and presentations on the Sunday morning

at RQYS Canaipa, our down-the-bay facility. The other events are held in close proximity to the Squadron allowing for a return to the Clubhouse for lunch and prize giving. There are two classes of competition, one using modern-day GPS and the other traditional navigation methods of dead reckoning.

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## CRUISING GROUPS

The Squadron has two very active and popular Cruising groups available to members who prefer the relaxation, support and camaraderie of social boating over the action and exhilaration of racing.



Both groups have a calendar of events and regular trips away together, with cruises generally held monthly. These weekends are a great way to meet new people, have some fun and enjoy the company of other members.

Wherever the vessels ultimately drop their anchors, locally or on longer cruises, one thing is guaranteed: a good time will be had by all. Members like nothing more than to spend time in each other's company, sharing experiences, conversation, fine wine and good food.

Presentations on boating-related subjects, trips to the Squadron's island retreat RQYS Canaipa, tours of historic locations, a traditional Christmas Party, Christmas in July, an extended Easter cruise: all have been enjoyed by the Cruising Groups in recent times.

Learn more about our Cruising groups on the RQYS website or follow both groups on their Facebook pages: RQYS Sail Cruising Group and RQYS Powerboat Cruising Group.



# RQYS CANAIPA

Imagine having your own island retreat where you could go to unwind, watch spectacular sunsets, go cycling, enjoy the use of your own swimming pool, fire pit and end the day with a barbecue and a refreshing drink.

## *It sounds idyllic, doesn't it?*

This is not a dream for RQYS members, it is a reality. RQYS Canaipa is the jewel in the RQYS crown. It is the Squadron's 'down-the-bay' property on the north east tip of Russell Island. This exclusive haven is part of the club's sporting facilities and is available for use by all Full members.

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The Squadron is a constant hive of activity. There is always something exciting taking place and the social calendar is extensive and caters for all tastes, with new events being added all the time.

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The Squadron likes to ensure that its newest recruits get the RQYS sense of belonging in their new surroundings with the hosting of frequent new members' nights with drinks and nibbles where new members have the opportunity to meet fellow members.

The Squadron also has regular dedicated dinners, Squadron special events, and live music performances from local acts and major music stars like the Black Sorrows and Russell Morris.

Of course, we celebrate all the regular annual events like Australia Day, International Women's Day, Melbourne Cup and New Year's Eve – with inventive and entertaining twists. Following tradition, the Squadron hosts family friendly events including The RQYS Family Easter Day and Children's Christmas Party. Our annual calendar also includes Family Christmas Eve Roast Dinner and Christmas Carols on the Lawn, to continue providing a diverse range of social activities for all members.

As a Member of the Squadron, social events and dates will be outlined in both the Mainsheet publication and the weekly email newsletter 'In the Wind'. Also, engage with us on social media: The Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron – Social.

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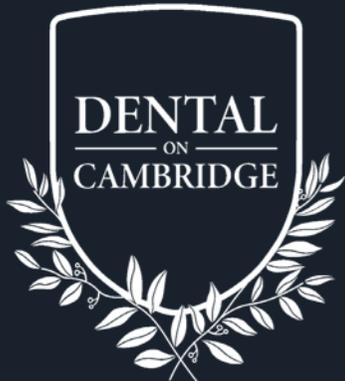


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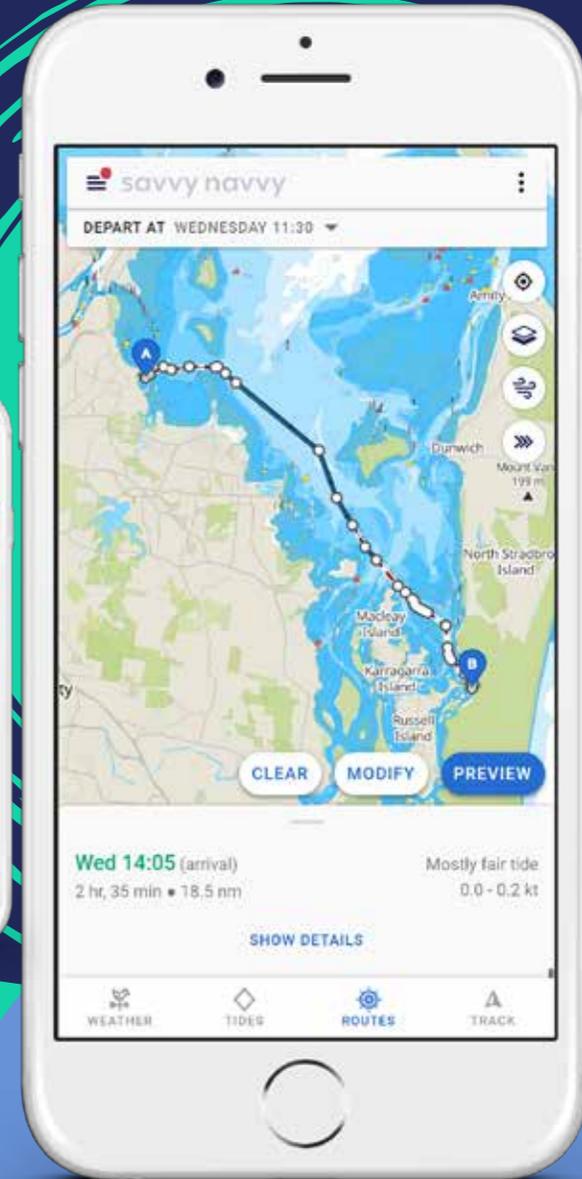
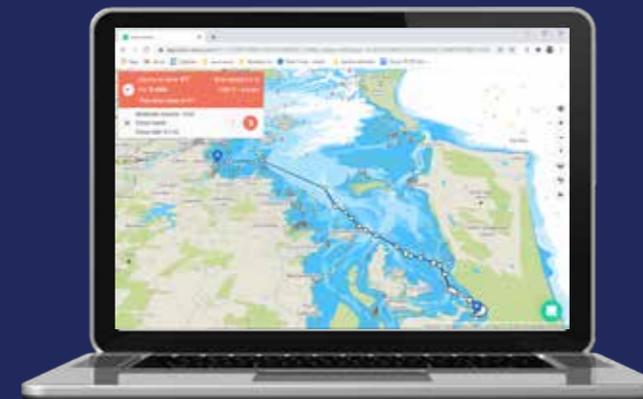
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