

42nd GREAT BAR BOAT RACE

Monday 22nd December 2025

2025 Invitational Challenge

NOTICE OF RACE - DISTRIBUTION: ALL BARRISTERS, JUDGES AND SOLICITORS

Solicitors are invited to compete in the 42nd GBBR in a friendly competition with Bench & Bar. This is a non-spinnaker race for monohull keelboats >6.5m. The Organising Authority is the RAN Sailing Association ("RANSA").

Start Time:

11:00 am on Monday, 22 December 2025

Start Line: Vicinity Shark Island/Point Piper

Course: Final details will be provided in Sailing Instructions (about 2 1/2 hours race).

The course will be similar to that of the last 41 years.

Finish: Store Beach

Post-race Activities: (i) Picnic on Store Beach (ii) Presentation of trophies on Store Beach. (TBC) **Entry Fee per Boat: \$190.00**

Any money raised from the race will be donated to Charity.

We should all be Covid-19 conscious.

Sailing Instructions will be provided to all confirmed and accepted entrants on Thursday, 18 December 2025. Entries close **noon 18 December**. Any entries considered after that date will have a worse handicap.

- All Barristers, Judges and Solicitors, practicing or retired, who own or can borrow yachts or otherwise take part in what is expected to be a most enjoyable day on the harbour are requested to send a cheque, together with a completed Entry Form to the Organising Authority, RAN Sailing Association at office@ransa.com.au or 1C New Beach Road, HMAS Rushcutter NSW 2027. You consent to distribution of entry details to Organising Authority, other competitors, handicapper, Race Committee and organisers.
- All enquiries should be addressed to Adrian Gruzman on 0400 22-2211 or adrian@gruzman.com.au Or office@ransa.com.au. Include in subject "GBBR".

POST RACE ACTIVITIES

- Other members who have access to power boats and who would like to join in the activities on Store Beach on completion of the race would be most welcome.

INSURANCE

- The Bar Association's current insurance policy does not cover this activity. **IT IS A STRICT CONDITION OF ENTRY** that all skippers have arranged appropriate third party, property and personal injury insurance, to cover themselves, their crew and their guests for the duration of the event. **No boats will be entered into the race until a copy of the current insurance certificate is sent to RANSA.**

INDEMNITY

- All participants are required to sign the indemnity incorporated in the entry form in order to compete in the race.

ENTRY FORM

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Please provide the following details regarding the yacht competing. This form must be returned to the address below with the \$190 entry fee and copy of insurance certificate. GBBR racing pennants are available from NSW Bar Association or RANSA, and must be flown whilst racing.

• All cheques should be made payable to 'RANSA'. To pay by EFT pay to BSB 082 140 A/C No 808292691 with GBBR + your boat name as reference. Other enquiries should be directed to office@ransa.com.au or Adrian Gruzman on 0400 22-2211 or adrian@gruzman.com.au. Subject heading "GBBR".

1. Your name _____
2. From which chambers/court/firm _____
3. Email address _____
4. Name of Yacht (eligibility - monohull keel yachts >6.5m) _____
5. Telephone contact number of skipper _____
6. Sail number _____
7. Description, type of yacht, modifications _____
8. Does the yacht race competitively on a regular basis? If so, please provide details.

9. In the event that the yacht has competed in organised races, please provide details of results, success rate, etc in races entered in the last 12 months.

10. General experience of crew proposed on yacht on day of race.

11. Any other information that you feel should be considered in handicapping (e.g. IMS, IRC, ORC rating or all current club handicaps).

NOTE: Sailing instructions will be sent by email to all skippers on Thursday 18 December 2025. Alternatively, sailing instructions will be made available for collection from RANSA on that date. If you do not have a GBBR racing pennant you can purchase one at that time.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY AND COMPETITORS DECLARATION

INSURANCE

- The Bar Association's and Organising Authority's current insurance policies do not cover this activity. **It is a strict condition of entry** that all skippers have arranged appropriate third party, property and personal injury insurance, to cover themselves, their crew and their guests for the duration of the event. Please provide copy of relevant current insurance details. Boats will not be entered into the race until a copy has been received.

INDEMNITY

- All skippers/owners participating in the Great Bar Boat Race hereby agree to indemnify and keep indemnified the NSW Bar Association, and organisers of the said event, the RAN Sailing Association, their servants or agents in respect of any injury, loss or damage occurring to their boat and themselves or their crew, or claim, as a result of their participation in the said race.

I agree to be bound by the current World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing and by all other rules that govern the event including the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions and these conditions of entry and Marine Safety Regulation 2016. I have read and understand my obligations as set out in the AS Special Regulations 1.02 Owners Responsibility. I certify that the vessel entered will maintain, during period of racing, an insurance policy with a minimum of \$10,000,000 (ten million dollars) Public Liability cover for any one incident, a copy of certificate of insurance is attached.

I agree to (i) abide by all lawful traffic directions of NSW Maritime Boating Service Officers and (ii) report all incidents involving a fatality, serious injury and/or damage (where such is considered significant having regard to the types of vessels involved) at the first reasonable opportunity and, in any case within 48 hours of occurrence, to the Race Committee of the RAN Sailing Association and to RMS irrespective of whether a valid Protest is lodged in relation to any such incident.

I consent to my entry details being distributed to Organising Authority, other competitors, handicapper, Race Committee and organisers.

By signing this entry form I declare that I will read and agree to be bound by the entry conditions contained in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions. Particular attention is drawn to clause Risk Warning, clause Competitors Declaration, clause Decision to Participate, and clause Disclaimer of Liability as detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

I agree to keep a list of persons onboard for the purposes of Covid-19 safe protocol.

Signed _____ Date _____ 2025

I hereby agree to the above conditions of entry as skipper / owner / owner's representative / charterer of the competing yacht.

Send Entry Form, Insurance Certificate and Payment to:

The Great Bar Boat Race

**c/- RAN Sailing Association, 1C New Beach Road, HMAS Rushcutter
NSW 2027 or office@ransa.com.au**