



R·A·N SAILING ASSOCIATION

RANSA Cruising Division Charter

Objective:

To provide members with a fun filled coastal cruising experience with other experienced cruising sailors.

Activities:

The RANSA Cruising Division's activities are arranged by RANSA members for all members and their friends to participate. The aim of the events is to encourage members to share interest in cruising, sailing knowledge and most of all have fun in a leisurely manner.

RANSA plans three key events per year. These events are a nominated weekend in Jan/Feb, March/April for Easter and NSW Labour Day Weekend, which are always subject to prevailing weather conditions.

Destinations for these events could include:

1. Explore Sydney Harbour. i.e. Bantry Bay, Balls Head Bay, Mort Bay, etc.
2. Broken Bay, Pittwater (NSW Labour Day Weekend)
3. Botany Bay
4. Port Hacking
5. Newcastle
6. Port Stephens
7. Jervis Bay

Plus, anytime a member is intending to go cruising and wishes to invite or notify other members of their passage, they can advertise through the Sailing Committee Coastal Cruising representative or the RANSA Office.

Over the year RANSA offers information nights and one night per year will be dedicated to Coastal Cruising, through a guest speaker.

All cruising events will be announced on the RANSA Website, RANSA Facebook and listed in the RANSA Calendar.

Conditions of Cruising:

All members wishing to attend this event shall comply with all AMSA and NSW Maritime Rules and Regulations.

It is the vessel's owner/owners and skipper of the vessel's responsibility that the vessel meets the regulation requirements before attending any RANSA Coastal Cruising events.

RANSA recommends that members participating in Coastal Cruising events should meet the following:

- Vessel is designed to meet Coastal Sailing requirements,
- Vessel is registered with Roads and Maritime NSW (RMS) or Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA),
- Vessel is covered under insurance for coastal sailing,
- Vessel is registered with the club,
- Ideally meets Australian Sailing Category 4 requirements, if going offshore
- Carrying an in-date Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon (EPIRB) and registered with AMSA,
- Have a serviceable VHF Radio,
- Registered with Marine Rescue NSW, www.marinerescuensw.com.au
- Carry current charts for the area of cruising,
- Has a Passage Plan,
- Has a Man Overboard Plan,
- Has a contact person ashore that knows your passage plan.

For additional question about the RANSA Coastal Cruising Division please contact the RANSA Office on (02) 9363 9939 or office@ransa.com.au