



18th Sail Port Stephens Regatta

11th to 19th April 2026

PLUS Pittwater to Newcastle cruise, Newcastle to Port Stephens feeder race and return day/night cruise Port Stephens to Pittwater

Racing in 2026 with Leeward – Beneteau First 40

What a combination:

- ✚ Offshore cruising, racing - Regatta passage racing - and a day/ night cruise back to Pittwater
- ✚ Five passage races Monday to Saturday (Thursday lay day) – and party each night
- ✚ Get those offshore miles up with the feeder cruise and races - and return passage

Regatta Format for 2026

The NSW answer to Airlie and Hamilton Island race week, this event is celebrating its 18th year and is expecting over 200 yachts to participate in an expanded 3 weeks of racing along the NSW coast, on beautiful Port Stephens dodging the unforgiving sandbars and around the surrounding islands - PLUS fabulous social events at night.

Allsail will be competing in the five race Commodore's Cup Regatta in week one of this now mega event

More details at www.sailportstephens.com.au



Leeward (blue spinnaker) at the head of the pack in Race 1 2023

Allsail's Entry

Allsail is returning for the seventeenth year – again with Leeward it's Beneteau First 40 racer – competing in the 5 passage races of the Commodore's Cup in PHS Performance Division Non Spinnaker.

Leeward came equal first in 2023, – alas 2nd on a countback - and will be keen to go one better in 2026. Over the years we have had success with Dancing Star and Another Challenge with 2nd in the Commodore's Cup in 2013 and many individual race wins and podiums. Another Challenge took line honours in Race 1 in 2021.

But we're still looking for that elusive series win. So for 2026 we are again taking Leeward – a proven racer at the CYCA and Hamilton Island – Winner of the RMYC island series and 1st in the Red racer division of the Monday Twilights – plus second in the Pittwater regatta. She has a full suite of racing sails and a powerful Hood mainsail. We'll be working hard for that elusive series win – or podium.



Allsailers at Port Stephens in 2021



Leeward - close racing 2023

Pre Race Training and Accommodation in Nelson Bay

There is a crew training day on Pittwater in March with other opportunities to join in some March Pittwater races.

Our yacht will be based at the D'Albora Marina, Nelson Bay. For those doing all or part of the program we recommend you stay somewhere overlooking the marina. There are various accommodation alternatives to suit – why not have the family join you. Book direct through Port Stephens Accommodation <http://www.portstephensaccommodation.com>

The Offshore Racing, Cruising and Regatta Program

- ✚ **Saturday 11th April:**
Cruise to Newcastle (50nm) - overnight at the NCYC marina
- ✚ **Sunday 12th April:**
Newcastle to Pt Stephens race (35nm) – to our regatta berth at the marina in Nelson Bay
- ✚ **Monday 13th to Saturday 18th April:**
Commodore's Cup series of 5 passage races on Port Stephens and around surrounding islands.
Presentation dinner on Saturday night (at attendees' cost)
- ✚ **Thursday is a lay day** – great day for our traditional lunch at the Fisherman's Wharf restaurant (attendees' cost)
- ✚ **Sunday 19th April:**
Exciting dawn departure from Port Stephens - cruising to Pittwater (80nm). Dawn departure for an evening arrival around 6pm to 9pm – subject to weather conditions

Cost to Crew on Leeward

Full Program (8 days - 2 coastal races/cruise, Regatta, return) \$2,290 Allsail Sailing Club members \$2,060

Other options:

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| ✚ Feeder cruise to Newcastle then race to Port Stephens | \$440 | Allsail Sailing Club members | \$400 |
| ✚ Commodore's Cup series (Monday to Saturday) | \$1,800 | Allsail Sailing Club members | \$1,620 |
| ✚ Cruise Pt Stephens to Pittwater only | \$360 | Allsail Sailing Club members | \$320 |

Includes: Racing crew spot *plus* crew regatta polo shirt – pre regatta training day in March - skipper/ instructor, safety gear, race entry fee, insurance, fuel, berthing fees. **As usual Allsail's easy instalment payment plan is available**

Excludes: Accommodation, any food, drink, personal expenses, etc. PLB EPIRBs are available for hire for offshore legs.

Terms and conditions and some exclusions apply – ask us for details. All sailing is subject to weather and safety issues etc. Silver Racing members of Allsail Sailing Club have priority for crew spots on Leeward.

