



PERTH FLYING SQUADRON YACHT CLUB

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION BOOKLET



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The title "Flying Squadron" was adopted and copied from the Sydney Flying Squadron, which raced 18 footer open sailing centreboard, live ballast boats, which were renown all over the world as the largest sail carrying craft.

The sail spread gave the appearance as if the boats were flying through the water and the general public called them "Flying Boats".

This title was therefore adopted to signify the type of boat to be sailed by the Club.

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WELCOME TO THE PERTH FLYING SQUADRON YACHT CLUB

"As Commodore of the Perth Flying Squadron Yacht Club, I extend a warm invitation to new Members and Guests to join us at this historic and friendly Club positioned perfectly between the City and the Sea on the panoramic shore of the Swan River."

On behalf of our Members, Committee and Staff, it is my great pleasure to welcome you to our Club. The Perth Flying Squadron Yacht Club carries a proud history stretching back well over a century, and continues to grow in participation and popularity through our ongoing commitment to improving and expanding the facilities, activities and amenities we offer our Members and Guests.

Whatever draws you to the water — your choice of vessel, or simply the pleasure of our hospitality — it's that shared love of the Club and Perth's stunning waterways that unites our Members and Guests. The boats have changed a great deal since our beginnings on the banks of Barrack Street, but the spirit of competition, camaraderie, racing and social connection within our sailing community remains as strong as ever. Our water-based activities continue to expand, with day and night power time trialling, social events, accreditation, invitational events, navigational days and educational sessions all adding to the family atmosphere, enjoyment, participation and competition on offer at the Club.

Working alongside Australian Sailing and other clubs, our sailing programs open the door to every age group, family, experience level and available time. These include juniors, sail training, support vessels, school events, keelboat racing and crewing, interclub regattas, day and night events, and our regular Wednesday, Friday and Sunday racing. We warmly encourage new Members and Guests to get involved in our Discover Sailing junior and keelboat programs, raft ups on the Swan River, convoys to Rottnest Island, social cruises to Rockingham, Carnac Island and beyond, and our flagship events on the sailing calendar — the Glenys and Wally Pickford and Parmelia Races.

Our power section is home to over 200 water-based vessels and more than 100 hardstand vessels, supported by our convenient triple bay launch and retrieval ramps and adjacent fuel facilities. There's plenty on offer here too, from time trials like the daytime Cork Evans and nighttime Rob Brown events, to convoys helping Members navigate Rottnest waters, social raft ups, checkpoint runs, or simply relaxed boating in and out of the pen.

Members and Guests alike enjoy our magnificent Clubhouse, function, bar and restaurant and alfresco spaces, with panoramic views across our marina and the Swan River. Our restaurant and bar, "Rimondos on the River", remains one of the best spots to enjoy a drink, great food and host an event — complete with resident dolphins in the marina, jetty facilities for visiting boats, and ample parking for those arriving by land.

We've deliberately built a range of membership categories — Children, Families, Social, Sailing, Crew and Power — so everyone can find their place in our Club and community, in what is arguably the safest and most relaxed setting on the Swan River. We're equally grateful to the volunteers who make PFSYC the welcoming, thriving community it is today.

As I step into the role of Commodore, I'm excited about the road ahead for our Club — building on the foundations laid by those before us, while looking for new ways to grow our membership, our activities and our reputation as one of Perth's true hidden gems on the water. On behalf of our Members, Committee and Staff, I extend a warm welcome to you, and look forward to sharing this journey with you.

John Whitley - Commodore



ABOUT THE CLUB

PFSYC is located on the northern shore of the Swan River in Dalkeith just five kilometres from the city of Perth. The Squadron is a historic Club which grew from humble beginnings in the mid-1890's and has a rich history of nautical memorabilia and diverse characters over the intervening 100+ years.

The Club is a great base for families with social events for all and runs sailing lessons for young and old which makes it a great place to belong, whatever your experience. We offer a friendly base for both sail and power boat owners with a calendar of events including regattas, races, and cruises.

The Clubhouse provides bar and dining facilities and the Club grounds/marina provides pen, hardstand and dinghy storage at very competitive rates. We offer multiple types of membership for all of those interested in the boating scene. New members and their families are warmly welcomed.

SAILING AT PFSYC

Our sailing season begins in October, with the Summer Series sailing on Fridays at 3:05pm and Twilight Sailing taking place every Wednesday evening. We welcome boats from all over the Swan River to take part in the races. We also sail on Sunday afternoons from 2pm during Summer.

We hold the annual Parmelia Night Race in February with a presentation night to follow, the Glenys & Wally Pickford Marathon is a big event for the Club in March and the final Twilight Sail of the season takes place on Anzac Day. We continue to sail during Winter with Frostbite Sailing every first and third Sunday from the start of May and Winter Series sailing on Friday afternoons.

If you would like to enjoy a social sail, please contact the office or Rear Commodore Regatta who will arrange for you to get out on the water with experienced crew. All enthusiasts are welcome. PFSYC is committed to the future of sailing and to training new sailors. Sailing lessons for all ages are offered at the Club through our Membership Manager.

Junior training is carried in conjunction with Nedlands Yacht Club junior program. The friendly coaches who are certified Yachting Australia Instructors with many years of experience. Junior sailing takes place most weekends of the year on Sunday mornings, weather permitting. Our fleet of optimist sailors are made up of some experienced members sailing their own boats and some Club owned boats, storage for which is included in the annual membership subscription. Junior sail training is complimentary for all Family Members.

In addition to junior sail training, we offer Start Sailing courses in the School Holidays for children aged 7-12. Tackers is a great introduction to sailing and a perfect opportunity to get your kids out on the water, having fun and learning new skills.

For information on courses or to get your child involved in the Club call the office on 9386 6437 or email members@pfsyc.com.au



POWER BOAT OWNERS

Although we are a Yacht Club, we do provide a comfortable base for power boat owners alike, with our pens suitable for most boat types and sizes.

Our Rear Commodore Power organises an annual Club Raft Up which is a great way to socialise and get to know other power boaties within the Club. This event is open to all of our members and we can arrange for non-boat owners to attend on member's boats.

We also have our annual Cork Evans Invitational Time Trial before the end of the power season which is a great family day with fellow club competitors and other club members who join in on the event. The Time Trail is followed by a luncheon and prize presentation back at the Club.

Power boat owners are also welcome to join our sailors for Twilight Sailing on Wednesday evenings during Summer.

The Club boasts its own fuel jetty accessible to all members for the ease of filling up before beginning your break away or day on the Swan River.

MEMBERSHIP

New Ordinary, Family, Country and Boat Affiliate members must first apply for membership using an application form available from the office or our website. Nominating a Proposer and a Seconder is appreciated where possible, otherwise two referees will suffice.

After paying associated fees, these members are then inducted by our Membership Manager to get to know what the Club has to offer and what is expected of all members.

Every applicant nominating for an Ordinary, Family or Country Membership of the Club shall serve a 12-month probationary period and be granted the full use of Club facilities. On or before the expiration of the 12-month probationary period their application for Membership will be determined by the Committee. All Members, whether serving the probationary period or not agree to be bound by the Constitution, Rules and By-Laws of the Club and to accept the Committee's decision as final.

Members serving the probationary period shall, except where otherwise stated in the Constitution, Rules and By-Laws, have all rights and privileges of Ordinary Members, except that they shall have no right to propose or second new members of any type, nor hold Office or be elected a member of the Committee. Members serving the probationary period may attend meetings of the Club with observer status only.

The Association Incorporations Act 2015 (the Act) requires all Incorporated Associations to maintain a register of its members, in accordance with the regulations and requirements of Division 5 of the Act. The Register of Members must include each member's name and:



- (a) residential address; or
- (b) postal address; or
- (c) email address; or
- (d) information, by means of which contact can be made with the member.

An Incorporated Association must, at the request of a member, make The Register of Members available for inspection by the member.

If you do not inform the Club of your preferred method of contact then your email address will be included in the Members Register.

Members resigning or relinquishing vessel accommodation will need to give a notice in writing to the Membership Manager – email members@pfsyc.com.au.

MEMBERS PORTAL

The Members Portal can be used for a variety of functions - view the Club events Calendar, manage your account & profile, view the Club's opening hours, along with viewing invoices & current account balances. You also will have full access to the Club policies along with contacts of our Club sponsors. The link to the portal can be found on the Club's website and login details will be emailed to full members.

HOUSE SUPPORT AND OTHER FEES

It is compulsory for Ordinary, Family and Boat Affiliate members to participate in the House Support Levy Scheme. To encourage use of the club's facilities a House Support charged to the value of \$400 is invoiced on 1 April and 1 October each year and is valid for 6 months. *Please note this amount is only available to spend once it has been paid for.

The \$400 can be redeemed against Club bar and dining purchases, to pay for Club functions, takeaway drink purchases (\$200 maximum) or to purchase items of Club Regalia from the office. Expiry dates for the levy are the last day the bar is open in March and September. Please be aware that this may not be the last day of the month. If the \$400 is not expended by the expiry date, any unused amounts will be reabsorbed back into the Club.

Takeaway forms can be obtained from the office or website www.pfsyc.com.au. All takeaway orders are to be submitted by the 15th day of the final month of the House Period:

HLP1 due on or before 15 September at 5pm | HLP2 due on or before 15 March at 5pm

The Club has many items of Regalia available to show your support by displaying the PFSYC club flag from key-rings to hats, polo shirts and vests in a variety of sizes.



Your House Support may not be used to purchase fuel or pay any club subscriptions, fees or raffle tickets. A member who will be away from Perth for a time and unable to spend their House Support should write to the Committee to be considered for an exemption from the House Support obligation for the period of absence.

There is also a small optional Junior Development donation on payment of subscription fees and a deposit fee for Club keys issued to members. Key deposits will be refunded on keys being returned to the Club. Keys are available for the main gate, ramp access, ice supply and a Club key which gives access to the BBQs, first aid cupboard and after-hours access to the toilets and showers. *Please note that only full members hold the rights to obtain keys which can be arranged through the office.

24-hour access is available to purchase ice with your ice key. An honesty system applies with payment made by depositing cash into the box inside the freezer. Alternatively, you can leave your business card with your name and quantity of ice taken.

BAR AND RESTAURANT FACILITIES

OPENING HOURS

Monday	CLOSED	
Tuesday	CLOSED	
Wednesday	12pm - Late	Food service from 12pm until 8:30pm
Thursday	12pm - Late	Food service from 12pm until 8:30pm
Friday	12pm - Late	Food service from 12pm until 8:30pm
Saturday	12pm - Late	Food service from 12pm until 8:30pm
Sunday	12pm - Late	Food service from 12pm until 8:30pm

MEALS

During Summer, as well as the full menu, we offer Boat Platters for you to enjoy whilst boating, these must be pre-ordered through the office and can be delivered to your boat before you set sail. We encourage sailors from other clubs to join us after races. By the same token you do not need to be involved in the sailing session to enjoy a meal at the Club.

The Club's restaurant, Rimondo's on the River is open from 12pm Wednesday through to Sunday with an A' La Carte menu available to order from (up until 30 minutes prior to closing) and a themed buffets are held regularly throughout the year. Outside food cannot be brought into the Club and only food purchased here can be consumed inside the premises. Bookings are essential for all dining options so we can co-ordinate the food and beverage team to provide the best possible service to our valued members and their guests.

As well as our weekly dining opportunities, we also mark special occasions with Club functions such as Mother's Day, Father's Day, Children's Christmas Party, Commodore's Soiree, and Melbourne Cup. Be sure to check out what is on offer on our Club website and newsletters to make the most of Club facilities.



VISITORS/GUESTS

Members may invite guests to the Club but the number of guests must not exceed the maximum number as contained in Section 48(4)(b) of the Liquor Act. Members will be responsible for the behaviour of their guests and they must observe the Rules and By-Laws of the Club.

Members are encouraged to bring guests to the Club to enjoy the facilities with family and friends but when wishing to participate more frequently, visitors are encouraged to sign up for Social Membership. Social Membership comes with the benefit of utilising the bar and restaurant facilities at competitive prices, regular email updates and the opportunity to book for Club events.

During busy periods, the bar hours can be flexible to remain open beyond the designated times and during the quiet season, dining hours may be reduced if the facilities are not being used.

CONSUMPTION OF LIQUOR

The consumption of liquor on Club premises is regulated by the Liquor Control Act 1988 and as such, no liquor is to be brought into the Club and consumed in the Club's licensed areas.

Only members can purchase liquor from the Club. The Club does provide a takeaway service for members who are encouraged to purchase supplies from the Club at very competitive prices. All takeaway purchases must be taken from the Club's licensed grounds before opening and all drinks purchased in the Member's Lounge must be consumed within the licensed area which extends to the edge of the BBQ area.

When drinking at the Club, members and visitors shall vacate the Members Lounge area immediately when requested by the Bar Manager.

DRESS

Footwear must be worn at all times in the Clubhouse. The following items are not permitted on Club premises after 6pm: overalls, work dress that is dusty, dirty, soiled, torn or paint/oil splattered, steel capped boots, singlets/tank tops, bathers, wet sailing apparel.

Hats are also not permitted to be worn in the Clubhouse at any time, under penalty of "ringing the bell". If a member or guest is caught wearing a hat and the bell is rung, they must buy a round for everyone present at that time.

The minimum dress requirements within the bar and restaurant areas are shirt or top, shorts or trousers, skirt or dress, enclosed shoes, sandals or thongs.

PRIVATE AND CORPORATE FUNCTIONS

PFSYC offers flexible and competitive packages for all types of professional and private functions from birthdays and weddings to corporate seminar days. The facilities are available to members and outside parties with full members eligible for a discount on room hire rates.



We have two main function rooms; the Lawn offering sweeping views of the Swan River and access to a patio area which holds up to 130 guests for a seated dinner and up to 600 guests for a cocktail function, and the Mele Bilo Room upstairs with panoramic views of the foreshore and Swan River.

The Mele Bilo Room is adjacent to the Members Lounge and boasts a dance floor and access to the balcony with the ability to seat 120 guests for dinner and can hold 200 guests for a cocktail function. The Mele Bilo Room can also be hired for seminars or corporate events.

Rimondo's on the River creates a variety of menus to suit every occasion from buffets and canapés to a set menu. Boat platters are also available to ease your party planning and encourage the use of club facilities.

Functions booked by members also benefit from venue hire being waived provided there is a minimum spend. Enquire today about what we can provide for your next function.

For more information on functions and availability at the Club please contact our Functions Manager on 08 9386 6437 or email functions@pfsyc.com.au.

CLUB INFORMATION

PARKING

Only vehicles displaying current club parking stickers will be permitted to park inside the Club's grounds. Parking stickers will only be issued to financial Ordinary, Family, Country, Boat Affiliate and Life Members. On occasions, parking within club grounds may be restricted to Ordinary Members and Life Members only, at the direction of the General Committee.

A visitor's car park is provided adjacent to the entry of the Club grounds for use by Social and Crew Members as well as guests and function attendees. Non-compliance to this rule may result in a parking fine. Maximum speed limit in the Club's grounds is 10kph.

TRAILERS

After launching your boat, no trailers are to be left on the rigging area in front of the Clubhouse whilst out on the water. All trailers must be parked in the outside visitor's car park or in your allocated hard-standing bay until ready to remove the boat from the water.

BOAT RAMP

When using the Club launching ramp, please note that boats are not permitted to be motor driven onto trailers due to the erosion caused. Ramp keys will be allocated to eligible members on payment of a deposit.

If your vehicle is not suitable for towing the boat and launching, you can apply for use of the Club tractor. An orientation lesson must first be completed with the Bosun and only after he is satisfied will a key be issued which is non-transferable between other members and family members. There will be a fee for the induction and an annual maintenance charge will apply. Conditions of use and charges are reviewed annually and are subject to change.



WASHDOWN AREA

A wash down area is provided for members to remove salt water only from their boats after exiting the river. The area can be found behind the emergency spill shed at the end of the fuelling jetty where two bays have been marked out. Do not block the public pathway when washing down your boats.

There is a tap with hose connections and we ask that you are courteous in your use of the area and be sure to leave it in a tidy manner for other members. No other area is to be used for this purpose and removal of barnacles and other hull growth is not permitted. Please be water wise and note this area is only for a quick detergent free wash down.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

Please make yourself aware of the emergency procedures at the Club, particularly in relation to a fuel spill. Copies of the procedures can be found in the foyer, office, bar, patio area, fuel tank and equipment shed at the end of the fuelling jetty. It is important that you familiarise yourself with the information in case of emergency. Information is also on the Members Portal.

Emergency contact details are displayed on the fuel shed and fuel tanks as well as by the Clubhouse door. Fire extinguishers are located around the Clubhouse and Club grounds.

FUELLING AND SPILL PROCEDURES

The Club has its own fuel bowsers that supply petrol and diesel at very competitive prices. Before accessing fuel, please make yourself familiar with the spill procedure which can be found at the fuel shed at other emergency points as well as on the Members Portal. In case of a spill, follow the appropriate actions to report and clean up any fuel as outlined in the emergency procedures.

FIRST AID CUPBOARD AND DEFIBRILLATOR

The first aid cupboard is located in the breezeway located next to the showers downstairs at the Club. This can be accessed after-hours using your Club key. We have two defibrillators located within the Club, one in the entry way to the Members Lounge and the second one is outside, on the wall next to the Junior Sailing Office. In the case of an emergency, call 000 and they will give you the code to access the defibrillator.

RUBBISH

Bins are located around the Clubhouse for your convenience. Please note the signs on bins relating to their appropriate content and dispose of your rubbish accordingly. General waste bins and bins for recycling cardboard / glass only are located across from the dinghy racks.

WASTE OIL AND BATTERIES

Waste oil must be disposed off-site. Pour your waste oil into an empty oil container and take it to your local used oil facility for recycling.



The Club provides a battery collection point next to the ice machine. The Club receives a donation to the Junior Program towards every battery returned.

SWIMMING AND FISHING

Swimming or bathing is not permitted in the marina in front of the Clubhouse and surrounding pen areas, nor is fishing from jetties. In accordance with this, we ask that children are supervised at all times in the Clubhouse and on Club grounds for their own safety.

CONTRACTORS

Any members hiring contractors for work onsite must ensure that the company first provides the office with the necessary paperwork to meet club regulations.

Contractors must sign-in at reception and apply for a key to be used during office hours. Member's Club keys are not to be given to contractors under any circumstances.

All companies must fill in a contractor's form and produce a copy of their insurance documents to be held on file. This is an important part of safety standards and as such we ask for your help in communicating this to any contractors you have dealings with.

To improve the communication between the Club and anyone working onsite we will be issuing warnings and preventing access to anyone who has not complied, so we thank you for your assistance with this.

SLIP FACILITIES

The Club's slip facilities are now closed indefinitely for redevelopment. In the meantime, we recommend slipping your boat at South Perth Yacht Club or Swan Yacht Club.

Nick Barker is the Club's onsite Shipwright and owner of Pure1Marine, a boat maintenance company. He has many years experience working on different sized boats and offers an array of services from antifouling to complete refits. With the slips being closed, Nick will still be completing work down by the western sheds.

VESSEL ACCOMMODATION

The Club has seven jetties with pens available to rent and hardstand bays for those who wish to keep their boats on trailers. As per the Club Constitution, boat accommodation rights are afforded to full financial Ordinary, Life, Country and Family Members.

All accommodation is based on a yearly rental and is subject to availability. Only full financial Ordinary, Life, Country and Family Members can be placed on the waiting list or be offered any accommodation.

A yearly rental fee will apply to all accommodation types which must be paid in advance. An Allocation Fee, as determined by the Committee from time to time, may be payable upon application. Fees are based on the pen size and subject to review on an annual basis. Details of current charges can be found on our website or contact our Membership Manager on 08 9386 6437 or email members@pfsyc.com.au.



Lease holders are encouraged to maintain a level of participation and remain active attendants at the Club by using the social and re-fuelling facilities, attending boating events and participating in the Busy Bees.

Certain safety and environmental requirements apply to boat storage and the safe mooring of your vessel is your own responsibility. It is imperative that you make yourself aware of the emergency procedures. It is also a condition of lease that owners maintain Public Liability Insurance of at least \$10,000,000 and supply the office with current copies of proof of registration and insurance papers annually.

The General Committee advises all members that in the event of any damage occurring to their vessels whilst in their pen, member's claims for damage to their boats or any other property will not be considered unless the member has submitted a claim against their insurer first. Once the Insurer has completed an assessment of the claim, the Club will deal with the Insurer as necessary.

Information covering ropes, weights and expectations in regards to marina occupancy is available on the Members Portal or from the office. Weights, chains, ropes and electrical cables are available to purchase from the Club at reasonable prices and we can also install them for an extra charge.

The safe mooring of your vessel following these guidelines is the member's responsibility. Whilst our team will do all that they can to help you in unforeseen circumstances, it is your own duty to check your boat and to ensure damage is not caused to the vessel or facilities, particularly if adverse weather conditions have been advised.

If a Member is not complying with the Club's Marina Requirements, a rectification notice will be issued with 14 days or less to act accordingly. In particular, please ensure that your electrical cords are in accordance with Australian safety standards. Failure to comply with any notice issued will lead to the Club carrying out the required work and passing on the associated costs to the member.

Failure to meet storage requirements will be viewed as a breach of your pen lease and the General Committee will act accordingly.

TRACTOR

The Club tractor is available for use by authorised members who have trailer boats and require something more powerful than their car to manoeuvre their boats to the launching ramp.

There is a tractor induction fee (includes key deposit) which involves a familiarisation and safety course with the Bosun. Once the Bosun is satisfied that you comply with the conditions, you will be issued with a key for access.

Keys are non-transferable between members and family members, with only fully authorised members entitled to use the tractor. An annual charge will also apply to cover tractor maintenance. *All conditions and fees are subject to review annually.



BOSUNS

The Club Bosuns are onsite 8am to 4pm Monday to Friday, and are available to help members with any boat related issues.

Both are active boaties and are often here after-hours so if anything urgent arises feel free to contact them. If they are available to help you they will, but we do also ask that you be respectful of their own time and needs.

CONSTITUTION, RULES AND BY-LAWS

The Club is governed by our Constitution, Rules and By-laws. Copies may be obtained from the office upon request or on the Club website. We ask that you make yourself familiar with these documents.

Our General Manager is responsible for overseeing the Club on a daily basis and is managed by an elected General Committee that meet once a month. This Committee is then assisted by Sub-Committees covering Sailing, Power, Marina, House and Social.

Members of the General Committee are listed on the inside cover of this guide and are contactable through the office. If you feel that you have something to contribute to any of these areas, please do not hesitate to offer your assistance.

MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

The Annual General Meeting of Members shall be held every calendar year on or before 30 September. An official notice will be issued to members 8 weeks prior to the meeting. Only financial Life, Ordinary, Family and Country (off probation) members may vote at these meetings.