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HOUSE



25 Years of sailing making a difference to young lives

Stepping Stone House Regatta 20 March & Bridge Day 18 March 2025



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Welcome from our Regatta Chair

Stepping Stone House, which I started 35 years ago, is having its 25th Regatta at the RSYs on 20 March.

As to Stepping Stone, I cannot express what it does and has done, in better words than what the Commodore has said.

Suffice to say young people have no choice as to the identity of their parents and as to their journey in life.

Over 500 young people have been helped at Stepping Stone House.

Join us again on Sydney Harbour and at the Club for this special Regatta which will feature a Bledisloe Cup contest commemorating what we started 25 years ago.

Max Connery OAM

A Message from RSYs Commodore Taylor

March 2025 marks a significant milestone as we celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Stepping Stone House Regatta – a partnership that began 11 years after Stepping Stone House opened its first home in 1989. Since that time, the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron has proudly supported this wonderful cause by providing our facilities and fostering a day of community and generosity.

Having been personally involved for most of this journey, I've seen firsthand the transformative impact of Stepping Stone House's work. Their vision of providing 'stepping stones to independence' and equipping young people aged 12 to 24 with essential life skills is a cause that deeply resonates with our Club and its Members. From one house in 1989 to six today, caring for 23 young people at a time. Their growth is a testament to the power of collective effort. I encourage all Members and friends to continue their support for this vital initiative. Together, we are helping to change young lives.

Just a few hours of your time



Richard Lawson Race Co-ordinator

Welcome everybody to our SILVER anniversary Regatta on Thursday, 20 March. We are hopeful you can join us, once again, for a relaxed and enjoyable afternoon on our most favourite harbour.

The racing in recent years has been very exciting with some incredibly close finishes! Late summer is the best time to enjoy the harbour, and using our boats to entertain paying guests is a great way to share that experience with others.

The Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions and Entry are on the RSYS website.

Enter your yacht directly by going to: **Sailing/ Events and Regattas/SSH Regatta/Enter here.**

Should you have any questions please call me.

Regatta Program 20 March

12.00pm	Skippers, crews and sponsors gather for packed lunch at RSYS Careening Cove Anchorage
1.00pm	Skippers' Briefing
2.00pm	Race Start
4.30pm	Completion of Regatta
5.00pm	Prize giving, drinks and carvery at the Club
6.00pm	Raffle draw and auction

For further information contact:

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Max Connery 0418 647 576

Monica Essey 0417 240 899

Sandy Lawson Bridge Convenor

On Tuesday, 18 March 2025 we invite you to join us at the Royal Sydney Yacht Club for our annual Bridge Day to support Stepping Stone House.

It will be held in the Carabella Room with its delightful views of Sydney Harbour, and it will be an opportunity to hear more about this very worthwhile charity. We would love you to share a relaxed day with your friends and enjoy Bridge with morning tea and lunch.

Bridge Program 18 March

9.30am	Welcome, Neutral Bay Verandah for morning tea and coffee
10.00am	Play commences in the Carabella Room
12.30pm	Lunch with a glass of wine
3.00pm	Play ends

For further information contact:

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Lynette Harrison 0450 175 344

can make a lifetime's difference

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How to get involved

We welcome Individuals and Teams, Sailors and Non-Sailors.
Sign up as an Individual or put a Team together!
Complete and return the entry form with payment.

Regatta Participation Cost

Each sailor will enjoy a boxed lunch, an afternoon sail on the Harbour, post sailing drinks and carvery dinner.

- **INDIVIDUALS \$300** all provided (\$250 tax deductible)
- **SILVER package** (8 people) – \$3,800 (\$3,200 tax deductible)
- **GOLD package** (10 people) – \$4,800 (\$4,200 tax deductible)
- **PLATINUM package** (12 people) – \$6,000 (\$5,100 tax deductible)

Larger groups may be split

Bridge Day Participation Cost

- **Bridge Day Player** – \$85 (\$60 tax deductible)

Donations to Stepping Stone House

Why wait until March 2025 to make a donation?
If you would like to make a donation beforehand, we would be very grateful indeed. You can donate by:

- Credit card via our website www.stepsingstonehouse.com.au
- EFT to our bank account
BSB 032-010
Account No 252769
Ref: Your name
- Cheque to Stepping Stone House Limited
PO Box R512
Royal Exchange NSW 1225

Remember, all donations are tax deductible and we will send you a receipt.

Enquiries and Questions

Contact Monica Essey on 0417 240 899
or monica.essey@steppingstonehouse.com.au

Thank you once again.



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Individual & Company ENTRY FORM



STEPPING STONE HOUSE REGATTA
ROYAL SYDNEY YACHT SQUADRON, PEEL ST, KIRRIBILLI
THURSDAY, 20 MARCH 2025 AT 2.00 PM

Entries close: Friday 7 March 2025 to allow time to allocate yachts

Company: _____ Contact Name: _____

OR

Name of Individual: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

Number of Attendees: _____

Do you require a yacht and crew to be supplied? YES NO

If you have pre-arranged to participate on a specific yacht please provide the name of the boat:

Yacht Name: _____

PAYMENT OPTIONS

PLATINUM \$6,000 (\$5,100 tax deductible) \$ _____
12 people

GOLD \$4,800 (\$4,200 tax deductible) \$ _____
10 people

SILVER \$3,800 (\$3,200 tax deductible) \$ _____
8 people

INDIVIDUAL \$300 (\$250 tax deductible) \$ _____

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Stepping Stone House Limited.
P O Box R512, Royal Exchange NSW 1225
ABN 21 191 277 100

Or EFT funds to:

A/C Name: Stepping Stone House Limited
BSB: 032 010 A/C No: 252769
Reference: **Insert Name or Company**

CASH CHEQUE EFT

Visa Card No _____

Mastercard Expiry Date _____ / _____ Amount \$ _____

Cardholder Name _____ Cardholder signature _____

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