

SYDNEY HARBOUR WEEK

Sharing Sydney Harbour

Media Release

Celebrate the world's most spectacular harbour during
Sydney Harbour Week 7–15 March



Sydney Harbour Week will make a splash 7–15 March, with more than 30 exciting events taking place on and around the water – many of them FREE!

With something for everyone, immerse yourself in Sydney Harbour Week by swimming, sailing, snorkelling, scuba diving and exploring our magnificent harbour.

What: Sydney Harbour Week
When: Saturday 7 March to Sunday 15 March 2009
Where: Various locations around Sydney
Info: www.sydneyharbourweek.com.au

Sydney Harbour will come alive when more than 350 yachts battle it out on the water for the prestigious Audi Sydney Harbour Regatta – a truly amazing sight that attracts thousands of spectators to the foreshore!

Explore the harbour from a different angle with a choice of guided pleasure dives and snorkelling tours through the rich marine environment of Sydney's harbour and marvel at the beautiful underwater world and abundant sea life.

Challenge yourself and paddle or swim from the Harbour Bridge to Manly Beach in the popular Bridge to Beach race or join more than 800 valiant swimmers as they take the plunge and race across the harbour in the 8th annual Sydney Harbour Swim Classic.

Learn about the harbour and its history with guided tours of Fort Denison where you can soak up 150 years of history and the spectacular 360-degree view of Sydney Harbour.

There is so much for the kids to do during Sydney Harbour Week including being part of the 'crew' of the new HMS Discovery program at The Rocks Discovery Museum. Kids can also enjoy a day trip aboard a spectacular 19th Century Tall Ship or a sail around the harbour in a classic steam ship. Budding photographers can pick up tips and advice on an interactive expedition around North Head Sanctuary with professional photographer Chris Gleisner.

Experience the thrill of yachting in a safe and friendly environment and learn to sail on Sydney Harbour. Boat enthusiasts will also love the Wooden Boat Raft Up and a six-hour sail off Sydney heads on-board the James Craig.

Take advantage of the rare opportunity to learn about the charming colonial cottage at Camp Cove with a special open day at the former marine biological station. See the scientists in action on a fun and educational day with seminars, displays and activities for all ages.

For a picnic venue with live entertainment, come along to Shark Island Picnic for a glorious and relaxing day in the sun.

Take a tour to the top of Macquarie Lighthouse to learn about the history of this remarkable place and enjoy magnificent city and harbour views. Macquarie Lighthouse is Australia's first and longest operating navigational light.

Sydney Harbour Week is all about celebrating our magnificent harbour foreshores and waterways – so get out, get involved and enjoy!

For full program details go to www.sydneyharbourweek.com.au

Sydney Harbour Week is an initiative of Sydney Harbour Week Committee and proudly coordinated by Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority.

SYDNEY HARBOUR WEEK EVENT	DATE
Clean Up Australia Day FREE	1 March
8th Annual Sydney Harbour Swim Classic	1 March
Try Yachting Day	7 March
Family Endeavour Adventure	7 March
Ship's Ahoy – History in Action FREE	7 March
Wooden Boat Raft Up FREE	7 - 8 March
Audi Sydney Harbour Regatta FREE	7, 8 and 9 March
PRO DIVE Discover Scuba Diving	7, 8, 14 and 15 March
PRO DIVE Guided Snorkel Tour at Fairlight Beach	7, 8, 14 and 15 March
North Fort Guided Tour	7, 8, 11, 14 and 15 March
PRO DIVE Sydney Harbour Pleasure Dives – Certified Divers	7, 8, 9, 13, 14 and 15 March
Try Electric Boating	7 – 15 March
Fort Denison Heritage Tour	7 – 15 March
Open Day at the former Marine Biological Station FREE	8 March
Shipwrecks Tour of South Head	8 March
Kids' Photography Exhibition	8 March
Guided Snorkel to See Seahorses and Sydney's Underwater Life	8 and 15 March
Come Explore Chowder Bay – Certified Divers	8 and 15 March
Try Diving and See Sydney Harbour Seahorses	8 and 15 March
Coast to Harbour Guided Bush Walk FREE	8 March
Harbour Stories FREE	9 March
Cockatoo Island Camping	9 and 10 March
Tall Stories and Other Ships	12 March
Royal Australian Navy Fleet Entry to Sydney Harbour FREE	13 March
HMS Discovery	14 March
Royal Australian Navy Freedom of Entry into the City of Sydney FREE	14 March
Tall Ship Sailing Adventure	14 March
Bridge to Bridge (Ocean Swim & Ocean Paddle)	15 March
Sydney Institute of Marine Science Open Day FREE	15 March
Shark Island Picnic 2009	15 March
Macquarie Lighthouse Open Day	15 March

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