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SYDNEY HARBOUR WEEK

Sharing Sydney Harbour

Media Alert

Share the spirit of the Harbour during Sydney Harbour Week 2006

Get active, get wet and sail into 10 days of fun in the water and around the foreshore!

What:	Sydney Harbour Week
When:	Friday 3 March to Sunday 12 March 2006
Where:	Various locations around Sydney
Info:	www.sydneyharbourweek.com.au

Sydneysiders of all ages are invited to come and celebrate the remarkable diversity of Sydney's enticing harbour during **Sydney Harbour Week** from **3 to 12 March 2006** – now in its fourth year.

There are **45** exciting events taking place on and around the harbour – plenty for families to choose from – and many of them are **FREE!**

From novice snorkeller to die-hard yachtie, from avid foreshore walker, to would-be sailors with a thirst for **seafaring adventure**, Sydney Harbour Week has something for everyone.

Explore the wonders of Sydney Harbour in myriad ways. See the latest on offer to the nautical world at the annual **Sail Expo** or enjoy the experience of sailing as it was centuries ago on one of the **Tall Ships**.

Pack a picnic and head to a spectacular vantage point to watch 100 **classic ferries** and **workboats** battle it out on a race around Sydney Harbour.

Choose from a series of **guided tours** and discover the beauty and rich history of Sydney Harbour and some of its islands.

Swim fans can join in the **5th Annual Sydney Harbour Swim Classic**. The race to Fort Denison and back celebrates Sydney's commitment to a clean harbour and supports the Melanoma Foundation.

Support Sydney's disadvantaged kids by taking a child on a **free sail** around the harbour or get a group together for a **harbour cruise** to raise money for 11 major **children's charities**.

Go for a **snorkel** or **scuba dive** and discover a wondrous world of aquatic wildlife or learn about fascinating marine creatures on a **Rockpool Discovery Tour**.

Enjoy an **Active Fun Day** for all the family with **free** fishing clinics, a BBQ, live entertainment, rides for the kids, water activities and more.

For a perfect way to see the harbour, grab a **paddle** and join up to 400 other paddle-craft as they make their way across Sydney Harbour from McMahon's Point to Manly.

Sail Expo	3, 4 & 5 March
Bridge to Beach Ocean Paddling Surf / Ski Kayak & Swimming	4 March
Snorkelling at Camp Cove	4, 5 March
Audi Sydney Harbour Regatta	4 & 5 March
Discover Scuba Diving	4 March
North Fort Guided Tour	4, 5, 8, 11, 12 March
Pro Dive Sydney Harbour Pleasure Dives	4, 12 March
5 th Annual Harbour Swim Classic	5 March
Guided Snorkel at Shelly Beach	5, 12 March
Tunnels, Tracks and Tales	5 March
Clean Up Australia Day	5 March
Defence of Sydney North Head Fortress	8, 12 March
Harbour Storytime & Craft at Woollahra Children's Library	8 March
Maritime Harbour Tour	9 March
Sydney 38 One Design Internations Cup	9, 10, 11, 12 March
Phil Renouf Memorial Lecture	9 March
Sydney Harbour, The Private Pond	10 March
2006 Classic & Wooden Boat Festival	11 & 12 March
Coastal Bushwalk – Christison to Gap Park	11 March
Community Environmental Contract Tours & BBQ Lunch	11 March
Discover Scuba Diving	11 March
Kids Afloat	11 March
Harbour Rockpool Discovery Tour – Fairlight, Manly	11 March
Harbour Snorkelling Discovery Tour – Parsley Bay	12 March
Leichardt Active Fun Day	12 March
Shark Island Open Day	12 March
Sailing In Company	12 March
The Classic Ferry & Workboat Challenge	12 March
North Sydney Cup	12 March
Harbour Rockpool Discovery Tour – Nielsen Park	12 March

Sydney Harbour Week is an initiative of Sydney Harbour Week Committee and proudly coordinated by Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority on behalf of Australian National Maritime Museum, NSW Maritime, NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service, Sydney Harbour Federation Trust and Sydney Ports Corporation.

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