



OGA
Western Australia
The Association for Gaff Rig
and Traditional Sailing

Augusta Raid

Cruise in Company

Friday 25th September – Monday 28th September 2026

Please join us for a long weekend of sailing on the Hardy Inlet and Blackwood River.

The plan is:

Friday 25th September:

Travel to Augusta, check in to accommodation / set up camp (I am going to camp at the West Bay Retreat Caravan Park – no booking required - <https://maps.app.goo.gl/MYiUMm18paSoQTws9>). There are other accommodation options in Augusta if camping isn't for you! Gather in the evening at a local pub or restaurant for a meal and a discussion of the plan for weekend.

Saturday 26th September:

Launch our boats in the morning and gather at the Augusta Yacht Club, ready to sail by 10:30am (Sailing plans to be determined based on the weather forecast). Launching location subject to change based on the weather forecast. Either sail down to the entrance to the Southern Ocean, or up into North Bay, and find somewhere for a picnic lunch, before returning. Depending on the plan for Sunday, we can either leave our boats anchored or beached at the yacht club, or we can retrieve the boats onto trailers.

Sunday 27th September:

Once again launch our boats in the morning and gather at the Augusta Yacht Club, ready to sail by 10:30am (Sailing plans to be determined based on the weather forecast), or alternatively launch at Molloy and sail up the Blackwood River. Retrieve boats in the afternoon, then meet at a local pub or restaurant to tell tall tales of the weekend's adventures.

Monday 28th September:

Pack up camp and travel home.

We will be communicating the plans for each day on the WA dinghy cruisers Signal group – if you need to be added to the group, or you aren't sure how to get Signal working on your phone please let me know and we can help!

On water communications will be via VHF channel 72.

Please contact Michael Arthur if you are interested in taking part, providing the following details:

Boat name	Sail number	DoT registration	Skipper's & crew names	Radio	Emergency contact for all on board
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Safety

- We will be operating in **protected waters** – please ensure that you have the safety equipment required by DOT:
https://www.transport.wa.gov.au/mediaFiles/marine/MAC_IS_RequiredSafetyEquipmentMatrix.pdf
- All participants to have completed the C-Fleet safety form for the 2026/2027 season.
- All participants are responsible for their own and the safety of their crew. Skippers are to ensure that their boat is well prepared for this event. A safety briefing will be held before we start sailing.
- The organisers have the right to cancel the Raid if the weather conditions are adverse, however it is the Skipper's responsibility to decide whether to start or withdraw.
- Any participating boats with outboard motors are asked to fit them so that they may act as assistance craft for other boats in the fleet if required.
- All participants must be confident that they can recover their boats from a capsize, without outside assistance, and the ability/equipment to retrieve crew or others from the water after a man-overboard incident.
- The organisers have the right to refuse the participation of boats found to be inadequately prepared or to have inadequate safety gear.

Any further questions - please ask!

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