



ABERDEEN BOAT CLUB

CRUISING CLASSIC RALLY 2026

SPRING

Saturday 23rd May

Rally Instructions

RALLY INSTRUCTIONS

The Rally Organising Authority is the Aberdeen Boat Club under the auspices of the Hong Kong Sailing Federation. There will be a rally on Saturday to Mong Tung Wan Bay, Lantau for an afternoon of beach activities & watersports, followed by an enjoyable evening of Sundowner cocktails & drinks and dinner, plus breakfast the next morning, ashore at the Hong Kong Outpost Restaurant. Boats are encouraged to stay overnight and explore the surrounding area on the Sunday or just make their own way home. All boats, both power & sail, are all very welcome. The purpose of this event is participation to welcome new and regular crew out on the water, in a fun relaxed atmosphere. Please see Appendix B – Event Rundown for the full details.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The Rally divisions for the event will be governed by the following:
- The Hong Sailing Federation (HKSF) Prescriptions where applicable:
 - The World Sailing Special Regulations Category 5 - Appendix J, plus VHF radio for cruisers with accommodation (except that the requirement to be self-righting will not apply to the Multihull Classes);
 - These ABC Cruising Classic Rally 26 - Spring Instructions (CCR 26 - SPGI).
- 1.2 In case of conflict between any of the above, succeeding items take precedence.

2. NOTICES TO PARTICIPANTS

- 2.1 Notices to Rally Participants will be posted on Aberdeen Boat Club CCR 26 - SPGI event website: [Aberdeen Boat Club - ABC Cruising Classic Rally 2026 - Spring 2026](#).
- 2.2 Any change to the CCR 26 - SPGI will be posted not later than 1800 hrs on the day before the start of rally.
- 2.3 Any Notices to Mariners which are applicable to sailing or power boats will be part of these CCR 26 - SPGI.

3. ELIGABILITY & ENTRY

- 3.1 Entry may be made by submitting an entry on registration link, including the Declaration of Skipper/ Person - in - Charge section before 1800 hrs. on Wednesday 20th May 2026: Please use the following link: [ABC Cruising Classic Registration](#).
- 3.2 The entry fee for all boats in the Rally will be \$800 HKD per adult and \$300 HKD per child under 12 years. This includes the dinner and breakfast ashore at the Hong Kong Outpost Restaurant.

3.3 The event is open to both power and sailboats as outlined in clause 5.

4. SCHEDULE OF RALLY

4.1 The rally start time on Saturday 23rd May 2026 will be 10:00 hrs., in Deepwater Bay, off Round Island.

4.2 Make your own way home or explore the south side islands and waters of Hong Kong SAR, on Sunday 24th May 26, if your boat decides to stay overnight.

4.3 There will be a club sampan service in Mong Tung Wan Bay, Lantau from **1500 hrs./3pm.** on Saturday until **23:00 hrs./11pm.** There will be sampan service from **0800 hrs./8am** on the Sunday morning for those boats on anchor or mooring in the Bay to attend breakfast ashore in Hong Kong Outpost Restaurant. The club sampan service will run to **1200 hrs./12pm.**

5. RALLY DIVISIONS

5.1 All sailing and powerboats are all very welcome.

6. RALLY & CRUISING AREA

The Rally will take place in the east and south of Hong Kong SAR waters.

7. RALLY PASSAGES

The possible rally routes to be sailed on Saturday 23rd May 26 are described in Appendix A – Rally Passages.

8. RALLY START TIME

8.1 Saturday 23rd May 26 - The Rally to Mong Tung Wan Bay, Lantau.

All boats in the event gather in the vicinity off Round Island at 10:00 hrs. A single horn from the ABC Club boat will signal the setting off of the rally. Please leave Shun Fung to starboard to begin the rally.

8.2 Boats will then rally in company to Mong Tan Wan Bay, Lantau.

8.3 As an incentive to join the rally course, you have the fun option, to collect from the ABC Rally Control Boat – Shun Fung:

- The first ABC F & B voucher token prior to the start.
- A second F & B voucher token at Cheung Chau Rock, delivered by the ABC Rib # 10/ or ABC # 14.
- The third & final F & B voucher token at the rally end point from Shun Fung in Mong Tung Wan Bay, Lantau, to a value of \$800 HKD per yacht.

8.2 When on station at the rally finishing position, the ABC Rally Control boat – Shun Fung will fly a blue flag. The course selected for the Rally will be displayed on a course board on Shun Fung and by an announcement on VHF Channel # 72, prior to the rally start time.

9. RALLY END POINT

9.1 The Rally Control Boat – Shun Fung will be in vicinity of the entrance to the bay on the Saturday afternoon off Mong Tan Wan Beach, Lantau.

9.2 When on station at the rally finishing position, the Rally Control Boat – Shun Fung will fly a blue flag. Please leave Shun Fung to starboard to complete the rally.

9.3 Boats will then anchor up in the vicinity Mong Tung Wan Bay, Lantau. Overnight, ABC # 10 or ABC # 14 sampan will be on station to ferry crews ashore to the restaurant and between boats at anchor. Please see the Appendix B – Event Rundown.

10. TIME LIMITS

The time limit on Saturday for all rally divisions will be 15:00 hrs.

11. RETIREMENTS

11.1 Any boat that retires from the rally shall report this immediately to the Rally Officer onboard Shun Fung – Rally Control Boat, on VHF Channel # 72 or by mobile (+852 6773 2066) or as soon as practicable, to obtain a receipt of acknowledgement of retiral from the event.

11.2 The Rally Organisers would like to remind all participants who wish to join the event, that this is a fun relaxed event, with the emphasis on attracting participation of boats and crews out on the water, who do not normally rally or cruise.

12. RALLY PRIZES

12.1 Class prizes may be awarded for classic power & sailing vessels, individual established yachting brands – e.g. Beneteau, Bavaria, various Cheoy Lee builds and other many unique vessels.

12.2 Boats will be judged by passing the ABC Committee boat prior to the start of the rally on Saturday; in addition to on the water during the event and at the rally end point in Mong Tung Wan Bay.

12.3 Other additional prizes - bottles of wine/ & ABC F & B vouchers may be awarded on Saturday evening at the Hong Kong Outpost Restaurant for:

Categories of Prizes:

- **The Oldest Yacht – Sail or Power** (By launch or build date as indicated on original builder's plate) and by declared average crew age.
- **The Newest Yacht – Sail or Power** (By launch or build date as indicated on original builder's plate) and by declared average crew age.
- **The Most Colourful Crew** (Judged on classic or themed attire worn during and after the Saturday rally.)
- **Oldest & Youngest Crew** (Full discretion assured.)
- **Spirit of The Event** (Best seamanship aboard and party behavior ashore!).
- **Additional Fun Prizes** – at the discretion of the Rally Officer and Event Organisers.

13. SAFETY

- 13.1 It is the sole responsibility of each participant to decide, each day, whether to participate, whether to wear a PFD, whether to continue to sail or motor, and how to respond to changing weather, sea, and tidal conditions.
- 13.2 All Rally boats shall be in a seaworthy state suitable for an event of this nature.
- 13.3 All participating boats must have on board a compass and up-to-date detailed navigational charts.
- 13.4 All participating boats must have a functioning VHF radio on board. The Rally Control Boat – ABC Shun Fung Boat may be called by each participating boat on VHF CH # 72.

14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 14.1 The Aberdeen Boat Club, the Rally Organisers, Rally Sponsors and their respective representatives, officers, members, staff, and volunteers accept no liability whatsoever for any loss of life or property, personal injury and damage caused by, or arising out of the event.
- 14.2 The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a rally or to continue participating is hers alone. In addition, participants' attention is drawn to World Sailing Special Regulation 1.02 (first point) which begins "The safety of a yacht and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Person-in-charge..." Crews participate in the event entirely at their own risk.
- 14.3 Owners and skippers are invited to co-operate with the Organising Authority, Rally Organisers and ABC Marine & Sailing Office in completing the formalities of their boat rally by submission of all required information, within the deadline dates quoted throughout these rally instructions. Failure to comply will result in a boat not entering the rally correctly and will require supporting evidence to be presented to the Rally Organisers to comply.

15. INSURANCE

Entered boats shall have third party liability insurance at least to the minimum cover required under Hong Kong SAR law.

16. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- 16.1 Visiting boats from other HK clubs will be provided a pontoon space or a mooring free of charge for the rally at ABC Middle Island on Friday 22nd May 26. Please contact Jayne Lee – ABC Marine & Sailing Secretary: Email: marinecoord@abclubhk.com
Tel: 2552 8182 – ext. 834.

Appendix A – Rally Courses

Saturday 23rd May 2026

Route # 1 – Approx: 16 nm

Round Island Start	BEGIN
Yuen Kok	STARBOARD PASSING
Sham Sham Pai (Cheung Chau Rock)	PORT
Shek Kwu Chau	STARBOARD
Mong Tung Wan Bay	END
(Southwest Chi Ma Wan Peninsula, Lantau	

Route # 2 – Approx: 17.5 nm

Round Island Start	BEGIN
Yuen Kok	STARBOARD PASSING
P1 Green Channel Buoy	PORT PASSING
P4 Green Channel Buoy	PORT
Sham Sham Pai (Cheung Chau Rock)	PORT
Shek Kwu Chau	STARBOARD
Mong Tung Wan Bay	END
(Southwest Chi Ma Wan Peninsula), Lantau	

Route # 3 – Approx: 22 nm

Round Island Start	BEGIN
Castle Rock	STARBOARD
Yuen Kok	STARBOARD PASSING
P1 Channel Buoy	PORT PASSING
Sham Sham Pai (Cheung Chau Rock)	PORT
Shek Kwu Chau	STARBOARD
Mong Tung Wan Bay	END
(Southwest Chi Ma Wan Peninsula), Lantau	

Sunday 24th May 2026

Sail or cruise in the Southside of Hong Kong waters or return home to your normal berth or mooring.

Appendix B – Event Rundown

Saturday, 23rd May 2026

Enjoy the beaches, water sports, and camaraderie with fellow ABC members, non - members or guests, for an unforgettable rally and overnight beach experience including:

- **1000 hrs:** Rally Start.
- **1500 hrs:** Be met by ABC Marine staff aboard a rib or boat to provide shuttle service to the pier.
- Enjoy Beach Volleyball, Badminton, Kayaks & Standup Paddle Boards or a walk along the beach or local trail.
- **1700 hrs:** Sundowner Drinks, Social hour & Prize Giving.
- **1800 hrs:** Fully Catered Dinner provided at The Hong Kong Outpost Restaurant:
(www.thehongkongoutpost.com)
- **2000 hrs:** Beach fire pits, marshmallow roast.
- **2300 hrs:** ABC RIB Shuttle Service ceases.

Sunday, 24th May 2026

- **0800 hrs:** RIB Shuttle Service Opens to Pier.
- Full Breakfast with tea & fresh coffee at The Hong Kong Outpost Restaurant.
- A half day of swimming, water sports and relaxing – depart any time.
- **1200 hrs:** RIB Shuttle Service Ends.

For those who do not wish to sleep aboard their vessels: The Hong Kong Outpost has a number of modest and clean guest rooms for overnight use. Please book directly, if interested.

The Hong Kong Outpost is a twenty-five minute walk to the nearest road where a taxi can be called to take guests to Mui Wo for the ferry to Central.

Cancellation Policy: After registration you may cancel or change your booking prior to 15th May 26 with full credit to your ABC F&B account. 15th May 26 onwards, there will be no refunds for cancellations.