

Sailing – Not Just Racing

101 Ideas for non-competitive racing & club based activities.

Cruising/Destinations

1. Destination sails
2. Destination cruises
3. Cruising rallies
4. Away weekends – camp and sail
5. Fun rallies on water (no winner) – BBQ on beach
6. Harbour races/sails
7. Organised cruising events with food and entertainment
8. Weekend on a lake
9. Hold an event on an island
10. Multiple clubs to coordinate destination events together
11. River boat trip
12. Raft-ups
13. Pot luck cruises
14. Christmas cruise
15. Sail for ice cream
16. Adventure sail
17. Full moon cruises

Social Races

18. Estimate finish time – A race where you estimate your time beforehand. The one to finish closest to their time wins
19. Race with themed fancy dress
20. Family race
21. Match racing
22. Handicap racing so the emphasis is not on racing results only
23. Club camps
24. Race for ice cream
25. Relay race (Different boats per team)
26. Two handed Laser challenge
27. Novelty races
28. Full moon races
29. Obstacle sail
30. Adults sailing children boats
31. Children sailing adult boats
32. Valentine's day regatta (Couples Sailing)
33. Parent and child races
34. Grandparent and grandchildren races



35. Holiday regattas – Australia Day, Halloween, Easter eggs
36. Bring a friend regatta
37. Ladies skippers race
38. Ladies only regatta

Club Nights

39. Sport nights
40. Movie nights
41. Junior sleep overs
42. Steps to boat ownership information nights
43. Education evenings (splicing, first aid, good anchorages, racing rules, etc)
44. Every 2nd or 3rd month – social night, including a guest speaker
45. TGIF – Dinner 2x Month, gets older non-active members to talk
46. Wine Down
47. Book launches
48. Guest speakers
49. Quiz nights
50. Bingo
51. Live music (food and music)
52. Commodore's Ball
53. Full moon parties
54. Karaoke night

Other on water activities

55. Freestyle competition
56. Classic boat section – restorations/races/cruise/day
57. Fishing competitions – trolling
58. Fishing competition for all members (weight, length, total caught, etc.)
59. Use club boats for fishing trips
60. Keeler to Dinghy events
61. Crew on other boats
62. Non-spinnaker events
63. Learn windsurfing
64. Kite surfing
65. Paddle boarding
66. Crew on cruisers
67. Saturday fun day – confidence building
68. Learn to Sail (improve skills)
69. Sailing games
70. Members power boat events
71. Fun sailing days pre-Xmas and at the end of the season for the whole club
72. Kayaking
73. Ocean swimming
74. Parents in patrol boats

Other off water activities

75. Designated boat work days
76. Mid-week club nights
77. Picnics
78. Race management seminars
79. Interclub exchange
80. Progressive dinner on the marina
81. Rules refresher at briefings
82. Holiday parties – Christmas, Halloween, Australia day, Good Friday Breakfast
83. Pot luck dinner (at the club/not at the club)
84. End of year golf competition for each boat (four persons to a team) – perhaps Ambrose style
85. First Friday of each month Social evenings – invite non-members
86. Volunteer parties
87. Boat making from stuff around the house/club
88. Kite making and flying
89. Navigation hunt using Code Flags to spell a word
90. Treasure hunt
91. Rigging races
92. Hiking challenge
93. Men's shed
94. Ladies only activities – information sessions, rules nights, etc.

Club offerings

95. Club offer sailboat hire
96. Have a 'Youth Club'
97. Have a kids (Tackers) room
98. Free wifi at the club
99. Use clubrooms for non-sailing activities, i.e. indoor bowls, book club, mothers club
100. Social/Recreational Presentation Night
101. Design the menu competition – fundraising for junior sailing...

