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# Charity Yachting Regatta

on Sydney Harbour Friday 17 March 2017  
Sail to build a home for homeless youth

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Dear Regatta Supporter,

## **FURTHER INFORMATION**

### **PROPERTY INDUSTRY FOUNDATION ANNUAL CHARITY YACHTING REGATTA KINDLY SPONSORED BY COLLIERS INTERNATIONAL**

Further to our communication today advising the cancellation of the sailing/on-water aspect of the PIF Regatta tomorrow – Friday 17 March due to **expected excessive winds** on the harbour, we have received various questions.

Below are questions and answers to compliment what we communicated today.

Thank you for your understanding and support, and caring for at-risk and homeless young people.

We look forward to seeing you at our **Viva Cuba Beach Party** at Middle Harbour Yacht Club 12.30pm tomorrow. *See you there!*

From your Foundation Team

## **Questions + Answers**

### **THE REVISED DAY'S PROGRAM**

#### **1. Why are you cancelling it – *it's just a bit of rain?***

- If only this was the case! According to a number of weather modelling systems, there is a southerly front moving in, bringing along with it winds of up to **46 knots per hour**. That represents strong winds.
- The Foundation has consulted with numerous stakeholders with experience in this area, including sailing masters of yacht clubs.
- The decision to cancel the sailing and on-water activities in the event, was made **for the safety of all involved**. Further, the timing of the Beach Party was moved to an earlier time to provide guests with an afternoon event as participants would not be sailing/on the water in that time period.

#### **2. What do I do about the food and beverages (onboard catering) I've ordered?**

- If you purchased your on-board catering from CYCA, we understand arrangements have already been made to donate your food items to charity.
  - You can collect your beverage orders from the yacht club. Please call the club on 8292 7800.
- If you ordered your on-board catering from MHYC, could we suggest that the food be donated to one of our charities to give to homeless young people.
  - Your beverages can be picked up from MHYC; please get in touch with Karen Baldwin, General Manager, MHYC on [karen@mhyc.com.au](mailto:karen@mhyc.com.au) to arrange.

**3. I'm registered to pick up Beach Party tickets from CYCA. Do I still come to the CYCA and pick up the ticket, or can I collect them on arrival at MHYC?**

Please go direct to MHYC to collect your ticket from 12.30pm; we will register you at that time.

**4. What time does the Beach Party start?**

The new time for the Beach Party is 12:30pm.

**5. Where does the Beach Party take place?**

The Beach Party will take place at MHYC, Lower Parriwi Road, The Spit, Mosman

**6. Won't we get wet at the Beach Party?**

We have made wet weather arrangements and have installed a large marquee that will cover most of the beach, plus there is plenty of undercover areas at the club.

**Don't forget to bring your wet weather gear in case of rain!**

## EVENT FEES

**7. Do I get a refund?**

As the Regatta is a charity fundraising event it is vital for us to meet our fundraising targets (plus we have already paid a number of suppliers including venue, catering, entertainment etc). For this reason and the reasons below, we won't be in a position to refund (noted in the waiver form).

- The Beach Party is still going ahead as planned. Your ticket price incorporates the festivities of the Beach Party.
- The Property Industry Foundation is a charitable organisation that makes a tangible difference to the serious and persistent problem of youth homelessness.
- Catering for the beach party – all food and beverages for 1,500 guests has already been paid for by the Foundation.

**8. Do I get my boat charter fee back?**

Please get in touch with the charter company or yacht owner you have chartered your yacht through, to discuss the arrangements.

## SPECTATOR BOATS

**9. If my charter company says it's still safe to go out and I choose to go on a spectator boat, will I miss the Beach Party?**

We have revised timing to bring the Beach Party forward to 12.30pm to accommodate those who are not going on the water\*\*

We suggest that if you decide to go on a spectator boat, that you come to shore earlier to enjoy the Beach Party and its festivities.

**\*\*Note:** the Foundation advised in writing to all participants of the predicted excessive winds and that sailing/on-water activity is cancelled.

**10. If I choose to go on a spectator boat, will the Foundation provide a tender service to shore?**

As the Foundation has cancelled the sailing/on-water activity due to the predicted excessive winds, we will not be providing a tender service.

Should your charter company **make the choice** to take its clients out on the water, then they should provide the tenders to its clients as part of their service.

## GUEST RELATIONS

**11. What do I tell my guests?**

Please know that we understand your circumstances and sympathise with the unfortunate situation of the severe weather conditions affecting the sailing aspect of the Foundation's Regatta event.

Could we please ask you to relay our comments to your valued clients, and that the Foundation team really looks forward to meeting them at the Beach Party.

Please share with your guests the great work the Foundation is doing in the industry for the community to help build homes for homeless young people.

**You may like to forward to your clients and staff the email communication you received from us today.**

Thank you for understanding our situation and the need for us to make our decision.

We are here to look after **your safety**; we care about you as a valued supporter of the Property Industry Foundation – **your industry's charity rebuilding young lives.**

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