

2023 WA Sea Kayak Festival

Friday, March 3 – Monday, March 6

[Rotary Club of Albany Youth Camp](#)



Thank you for registering for the 2023 Sea Kayak Festival.

The camp is held at [Rotary Club of Albany Youth Camp](#) 913 Frenchman Bay Road in Big Grove Albany.

Gates open at 2:00pm on Friday with camp clean up beginning at 8:00 Monday for check-out 10:00.

Registrations start at 3:00pm in the hall.

Paddling Events

Each paddling event is allocated a level of paddling ability by the sea leader determined by the difficulty of the experience.

Level	Participating at this level means you can paddle safely in the conditions below.
All Paddlers (AP) and Introduction to Sea Skills Award (ISSA)	Up to 2.5 kilometres from shore; winds to 30 km/h; seas breaking and surf at shoulder height (0.5m).
Sea Skills Award (SSA) <i>Very experienced sea paddlers</i>	Up to 10 kilometres from shore; winds to 50km/h; seas breaking and surf over head height (1m).

Participant Lists and Sea Leader Briefings

Participant lists are located in the hall. Please read the accompanying disclaimer statement before placing your details on a list.

If you are paddling in an event you are required to attend a briefing 30 minutes before the actual launch. The nominal time for briefings is 08:30; however, these may be earlier as indicated by the sea leader.

Accommodation

The smaller dormitory has been allocated to females, the larger to males and the 5 bedroom donga to all genders. There is a tenting area. Please try not to camp where cars journey in and out of the camp. The limited caravan sites are at the back of the camp.

For the dorm, bed, mattress and pillows are supplied. You need to bring sleeping bag or sheets, blanket and pillow case.

Camper's responsibilities

On arrival, familiarise yourself with evacuation procedures on the board in the dining area.

No smoking is allowed in all indoor areas and no pets.

Maintain cleanliness of the camp and all campers can help with the clean-up on Monday morning in all buildings that we use. This includes emptying bins, cleaning the kitchen, cleaning surfaces, stacking chairs, sweeping floors and leaving tea towels to dry. We also need to clean the BBQ areas.

Avoid walking on the beach area to the east as this is private property.

In the event of an emergency, participants shall assemble on the grassed area between the BBQ area and the shore.

Swap Meet

Is it time to rid yourself of those items that seemed useful at the time of buying them? The swap meet event is held on the grassed area closest to the hall. Your items should have an offering price displayed on them. The organisers will indicate a place for you to display your wares; however, organisers take no responsibility for your goods so you need to be at the swap meet if you are selling items. The meet ends around 17:00.

2023 Kayak Festival Schedule * - March 3-6

Time	Events	Where	Presenter / Leader
FRIDAY			
14:00	Campsite opens		
15:30	Registration	Campground	Shantha & Jane
16:00	Sea leader meeting	Hall	Sea leaders
17:00-17:30	Welcome	Hall	Mark Stallbaum and Tony Beswick
17:30-17:45	Albany area orientation	Hall	Chris Fry
17:45-18:00	Introduction of tomorrow's paddles	Hall	Sea Leaders
18:00	Self-catered dinner & socialising		
SATURDAY			
06:30-07:00	Self-led yoga or Qi Gong taster		
8:30	Briefings: All paddlers to attend		Sea leaders
9:00 for 9:30 otw	Camp to Whaling Cove or Mistaken Island return	15/18km AP Campground	Paul Cooper
9:00 for 9:30 otw	Frenchman Bay to Bald Head return	19km ISSA Frenchmans Bay	Tony Beswick
9:00 for 9:30 otw	Breaksea island	25km SSA tbd	Les Allen
14:00	Self-catered lunch	Campground	
15:00	Swap meet	Campground	
16:00	Sea leader meeting	Hall	Sea leaders
17:30	Complimentary dinner and drinks	Hall	Jenni Harrison
19:00	Presentation: Maritime History of Albany	Hall	Mike Lefroy
19:45	Introduction of tomorrow's paddles	Hall	Sea leaders

SUNDAY					
06:30-07:00	Self-led yoga or Qi Gong taster				
8:30	Briefings: All paddlers to attend				Sea leaders
9:00 for 9:30 otw	Kalgan River - to be determined	20km	AP	tbd	Steve Haddon
9:00 for 9:30 otw	Cosy Corner to Dunsky (or Muttonbird) return	15km	ISSA	Cosy Corner	Damon Haddon
9:00 for 9:30 otw	Cosy Corner to West Cape Howe	22km	SSA	Cosy Corner	Les Allen
15:00	Securing a strong foot push in your kayak				Jenni Harrison
17:30	Self catered dinner				
19:00	Full moon night paddle			Princess Royal Harbour	Les Allen

MONDAY					
tbd	Peer paddles				
10:00	Vacate Camp				All clean up camp

* Subject to change due to weather and sea conditions

Colour code	
	Presentations (all attend)
	Meals
	Paddles
	Training/other activities

Briefing Locations		
AP	All Paddlers	Hall
ISSA	Intro to Sea Skills Award	BBQ area
SSA	Sea Skills Award	Hall verandah