

NATIONAL REGATTA AT HERMANUS

The Hermanus Yacht Club, where the 1959 National SAYRA Regatta is to be held next month, showing the clubhouse, gear shed, lawns and roomy hard. The waterfront has been extended on both sides of the area in this picture.



Above left: At the Club's opening cruise guests-of-honour were actress Moira Lister (and daughter Chantal) and Vice-Admiral Watson, Royal Navy Commander-in-Chief, seen here with Club Commodore Ion Williams (left).

Above: Sailing in a romantic "lakeland" setting under Maanschyn Kop, are a Goodricke dinghy and a Sprog.

Left: Hermanus stalwarts, A. J. "Mac" McCarthy and his wife Dorothy who have a waterside home near the club and whose generosity has done much to build up local yachting facilities.

Photos: Jock Webster.

'Everything is laid on...'

QUITE apart from the racing, next month's National Sailing Regatta at Hermanus is certain to be as enjoyable as any that have so far been held. Never has there been a venue with so many attractions in addition to sailing, or a better chance for the family yachtsman to give his attendant clan a chance for fun of their own, without banning them from the precincts of the racing.

The reason is: bags of room and shade round the Hermanus Yacht Club and, close by, beaches and mountains, hotels and golf, resident families in their holiday homes and country jaunts galore in stirring and interesting scenery.

The pilgrimage from the High Veld and north of the Limpopo will be amply repaid.

The regatta water itself could not be more beautiful, or suitable for competitive sailing, with the fine expanse of the lagoon under impressive Maanschyn Kop—almost as high as Table Mountain itself, but greener and less forbidding and full of shadows and cloud dapple when the light softens in the afternoons.

Nothing frays regatta nerves more than congestion among the dinghies coming into and out of the water. Hard-working and practical Ion Williams, the Club Commodore, has been busy for months clearing a great width of club waterfront to make sure that at least 150 boats can each have their own parking lot and room to spread gear, with a clear run down to the water. An unheard-of luxury, this, at national regattas.

On the slopes behind the club-house are plenty of trees, where the old farm Stofvlei once stood, and here more room has been made for scores of caravans and tents for those who are not tempted by Hermanus's fine hotels.

Pure mountain water will be on tap and other necessary facilities for a crowd have been laid on.

The map inside this folder gives you some idea of the surroundings

and also shown are the final placings of the regatta buoys, as officially approved by SAYRA. The prevailing wind, of course, ought to be south-east. On the regatta Sunday, when there is no racing, fishing at the seaward end of the lagoon might be fun; or others with an outboard engine (or even oars) could try the up-river jaunt to Stanford. The navigable channel is shown on the right of the chart.

Don't forget that this time every yacht must have an official measurement form, from SAYRA. Entry forms can be had from all yacht club secretaries, or from the Hon. Sec., SAYRA, P.O. Box 38, Kraaifontein, Cape. Entries close on December 10, but for those who specialize in last-minute decisions, post entries will be accepted up to 24 hours before the race—provided the entry form is accompanied by twice the ordinary entrance fee paid by the early birds.

One guinea is the entrance fee for all the races listed below, except the National Sprog Trophy, 10s., and the Single-handed Sprog Race, 5s.

Please remember, however, that post entries will not be accepted for inter-club events. Sprog owners are reminded to check the new rules on numbers and types of sails permissible.

In the inter-provincial Contest the following points are worth remembering:

The Contest will take the form of a single contest in each class. Each Province may submit not more than one entry in each class, but need not necessarily enter in all classes. There must be at least three provincial entries in any class. The Inter-Provincial Trophy will be awarded to the Province gaining the greatest number of points, taking all classes combined. Each class race will be separately sailed as a distinct event and points will be awarded under the S.A.Y.R.A. Point System. No boats, skippers or crews who generally sail in the waters of one Province will be permitted to sail in the Contest for another Province.

FULL FIXTURES—S.A.Y.R.A. NATIONAL REGATTA

DATE		MORNINGS				AFTERNOONS			
Wed. 21	10.00 hrs.	S.A.Y.R.A. Regatta Organisation Meeting				14.30 hrs.	Tuning-up Class Racing.		
		H.Y.C. Club House.							
Thurs. 22	10.10 hrs.	Eric (Abe) Benningfield Trophy	...	...	...	14.30 hrs.	Inter-Provincial Contest		
	10.20 hrs.	National Sprog Trophy	...	...	...				
	10.30 hrs.	Emdon Trophy	...	...	...				
	10.40 hrs.	Development Class	...	...	...				
Frid. 23	10.10 hrs.	Robert Pyott Trophy	...	...	...	14.30 hrs.	Eric (Abe) Benningfield Trophy	...	...
	10.20 hrs.	Int. Flying Dutchman Trophy	...	...	...	14.40 hrs.	National Sprog Trophy	...	...
	10.30 hrs.	Dewar Congella Shield	...	...	...	14.50 hrs.	Emdon Trophy	...	...
						15.00 hrs.	Development Class...	...	...
						17.00 hrs.	S.A.Y.R.A. Meeting of Official Measurers.		
Sat. 24	10.10 hrs.	Robert Pyott Trophy	...	...	...	14.30 hrs.	W.P.S.A. All-in Open Handicap.		
	10.20 hrs.	Int. Flying Dutchman Trophy	...	...	...				
	10.30 hrs.	Dewar Congella Shield	...	...	...				
Sun. 25		FREE					FREE		
Mon. 26	10.10 hrs.	Eric (Abe) Benningfield Trophy	...	...	...	14.30 hrs.	Robert Pyott Trophy	...	...
	10.20 hrs.	National Sprog Trophy	...	...	...	14.40 hrs.	Int. Flying Dutchman Trophy	...	...
	10.30 hrs.	Emdon Trophy	...	...	...	15.00 hrs.	Dewar Congella Shield	...	...
	10.40 hrs.	Development Class	...	...	...				
Tues. 27	10.10 hrs.	Eric (Abe) Benningfield Trophy	...	...	...	14.30 hrs.	Robert Pyott Trophy	...	...
	10.20 hrs.	National Sprog Trophy	...	...	...	14.40 hrs.	Int. Flying Dutchman Trophy	...	...
	10.30 hrs.	Emdon Trophy	...	...	...	15.00 hrs.	Dewar Congella Shield	...	...
	10.40 hrs.	Development Class	...	...	...				
Wed. 28	10.10 hrs.	S.A.Y.R.A. President's Prize. All-Comers' Handicap.				14.30 hrs.	S.A. Inter-Club Trophy for Sprogs.		
						14.40 hrs.	Inter-Club Goodricke Trophy.		
						14.50 hrs.	S.A. Inter-Club Trophy for Sharpies.		
						15.00 hrs.	S.A. Inter-Club Trophy for Flying Dutchmen.		
Thurs. 29	10.10 hrs.	Robert Pyott Trophy	...	...	...	14.30 hrs.	Eric (Abe) Benningfield Trophy	...	...
	10.20 hrs.	Int. Flying Dutchman Trophy	...	...	...	14.40 hrs.	National Sprog Contest	...	...
	10.30 hrs.	Dewar Congella Shield	...	...	...	14.50 hrs.	Emdon Trophy	...	...
	11.00 hrs.	S.A. Sprog Association Meeting at H.Y.C.				15.00 hrs.	Development Class...	...	...
	11.00 hrs.	Goodricke Class Association Meeting at H.Y.C.							
	11.00 hrs.	S.A. Finn Association Meeting at H.Y.C.							
Frid. 30	10.10 hrs.	Open for Resails.				14.30 hrs.	Robert Pyott Trophy	...	...
	10.20 hrs.	National Sprog Trophy	...	...	...	14.40 hrs.	Int. Flying Dutchman Trophy	...	...
	10.45 hrs.	S.A. Sharpie Class Meeting at H.Y.C.				14.50 hrs.	Dewar Congella Shield	...	...
	10.45 hrs.	Flying Dutchman Owners' Association of				15.00 hrs.	Development Class...	...	...
		Southern Africa Meeting at H.Y.C.							
Sat. 31	9.40 hrs.	Eric (Abe) Benningfield Trophy	...	...	...		S.A.Y.R.A. Regatta Organisation Meeting H.Y.C. Club House.		
	9.50 hrs.	Single-handed Sprog Race.					Prize Giving.		
	10.00 hrs.	Emdon Trophy	...	...	...				