

HOBSONS BAY YACHT CLUB



Perfect for weddings, birthdays, wakes, meetings, conferences and seminars!

FUNCTION INFORMATION 2025-2026

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WHO WE ARE

Located in the idyllic harbour setting of Hobsons Bay, HBYC provides a memorable venue for a wide variety of special occasions.

At Hobsons Bay Yacht Club we are proud of our friendly culture and the development of our clubhouse, yard, marina and sailing program since 1888. The upstairs bar area features stunning views of the Melbourne City skyline. Birthday Parties, Engagements, Small Weddings, Wakes, and Business & Corporate functions can all be accommodated.



The upstairs balcony has spectacular views of Melbourne



A beautiful wedding venue



With sizable outdoor seating also available



And a great community of members

AREAS FOR HIRE



THE UPSTAIRS AREA AND BALCONY – 110 GUESTS

AVAILABILITY

Weekdays (except Fridays) - Subject to availability and by arrangement

Saturday evenings - between 7pm - 11.30pm

Sunday evenings - between 7pm - 11.30pm

Hiring the upstairs space includes the upstairs bar area, the balcony, and the lounge space. Audio-visual equipment, set-up, and pack-up are also included.

The bar area can be set up according to your needs - chairs and tables can be removed for dance space or set up for a sit-down dinner.

Note: We recommend no more than 50 persons for a sit-down event, as the space can feel tight after this point.

Please note that the bar is open to members on Saturday and Sunday until 7pm and that we are unable to accommodate any earlier bookings.

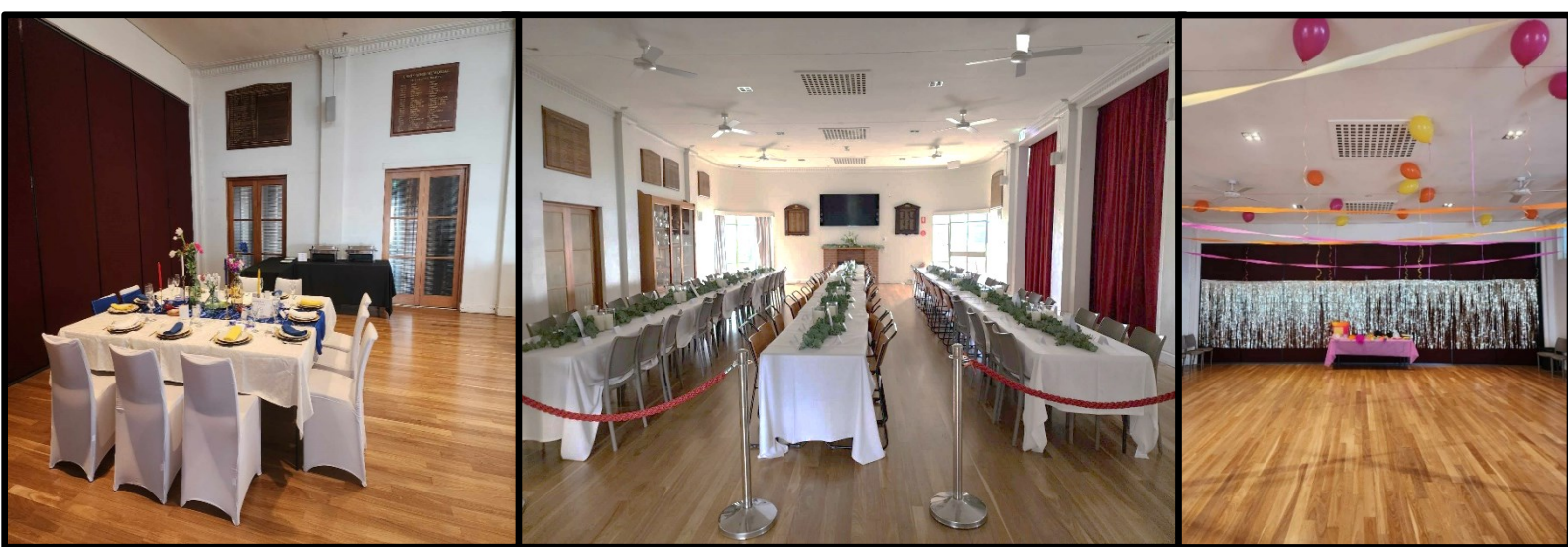
THE HALL – UP TO 100 GUESTS

Our hall has recently undergone a revamp - now with its own PA system and TV. The hall is also able to be completely closed off.

A versatile space, the hall can be set up for speeches, meetings and birthday parties, and it is a wonderful small wedding venue too!

A downstairs bar can be arranged for your event if you have more than 40 people; this is at the discretion of the Function Manager.

Booking by arrangement.



THE DAWSON ROOM- UP TO 30 GUESTS

A great space for meetings and parties with up to 30 guests, the Dawson room is also able to be rearranged to your needs.

Booking by arrangement. Please note the BBQ and outside seating area are not included for exclusive use. You may make use of these spaces alongside members.



MAKING A BOOKING

Advanced bookings are required. A 50% deposit is required at time of booking, to secure the booking and the balance is to be paid no later than 7 days prior to the event. A signature at the end of this brochure is also required. All functions bookings are at the discretion of club management.

You will have exclusive access to the area you book only; members will continue to have access to all other areas of the club. All rooms have PA and AV systems including a TV, wireless internet access, and whiteboards (for the perfect meeting or seminar)! Basic tea/coffee making facilities and a water station are included, as well as set-up and cleaning costs. HBYC bar staff are also included in the hire fee.

To have any function at our club, (except for wakes and meetings), you must be a member with us. If you are not a member but still wish to host a function, you must apply to be a member. To apply, please have a look at our website (<https://hbyc.org.au>) or contact the office (info@hbyc.org.au or 9397 6393).

Room		Fee	Bar (min. spend)
Bar & Balcony	Mon-Fri*	\$880	\$750
Bar & Balcony	Saturday Evening	\$1,400	\$1,500
Bar & Balcony	Sun Evening or Public Holiday	\$1600	\$1,500
Downstairs Hall	Mon-Fri	\$640	\$750
Downstairs Hall	Weekends	\$950	\$750
Dawson Room	Mon-Fri	\$360	n/a
Dawson Room	Weekends	\$530	n/a
Ikon Room		\$0	n/a

*Weekdays Subject to availability and by arrangement

*Bar and balcony unavailable Friday evenings

*Hobsons Bay Yacht Club does not allow 21st or 18th birthday events

TERMS AND VARIATIONS IN CHARGES

Hobsons Bay Yacht Club reserves the right to vary the fees and charges as set out in the table above.

Functions that are outside of HBYC's standard process will incur additional costs to the hirer.

For some events, the function manager may decide that additional security will be required. External security is \$300* for a minimum 4 hours – (*Please note that security prices are subject to change without prior notice due to market fluctuations.)

CATERING

All catering during a function or event is to be outsourced, by the hirer to catering companies or self-catered. To adhere to the Responsible Service of Alcohol standards set out in our liquor license, all functions must be catered for sufficiently. It's very important that there is an acceptable quantity of food provided to guests to assist with responsible drinking and managing fast intoxication. Food should be available during the entire time or at regular intervals if you require alcohol to be served. We currently recommend the services of the following local catering companies. Please feel free to contact them with your requirements as they would be more than happy to hear from you.

Checkers Catering

Paul Downey

M 0425 702 856

kathy@checkerscatering.com.au

La Cantina Catering

Anne Kocev

M 0497 088 597

lacantina@bigpond.com

Any other caterer will be required to contact the office to organise a short induction of the kitchen facilities, as well as provide the office with the required documents (outlined below).

Any wait staff requirements for food service must be arranged by the hirer and/or discussed with their chosen catering company as HBYC only provide wait staff for beverages, which is included in the booking fee.

SELF CATER TERMS AND CONDITIONS

You are welcome to provide your own catering with the conditions outlined in the venue hire terms found at the end

of this document.

GRAZING TABLES

Grazing tables have emerged as a very popular catering option and we do welcome this style at HBYC but please

ensure you prepare your spread (or ensure your caterer does) as much as possible in advance as the preparation time from 6 pm - 7 pm can be limiting.

ENTERTAINMENT

Any entertainment equipment that needs to be set up for DJs or bands for functions in the bar area, can begin at 6 pm as long as there is no disruption to the use of the bar by members. All bands and DJs must finish by **11.30 pm** as per our noise restrictions, and to allow for the time to pack down all equipment. All equipment must be removed from the club at the conclusion of the event.

- Please note that smoke machines **are not permitted**.

BEVERAGES

Bar Tabs:

All bar tabs for functions must be pre-arranged with the notification of what items guests are welcome to drink. A tab limit also needs to be pre-arranged. A minimum spend on the bar tab may apply when booking at certain timeslots – please refer to the table above.

Bar tabs must be settled at the conclusion of the event, and it is recommended that it is paid by card.

Drinks:

All drinks are served by the glass during a function.

We have a wide variety of beer and wines available. During a function all beverages will be served at members' prices.

The base usually served is house wines and sparkling, Keg beer, light beer and non-alcoholic beverages. Other options can be discussed with the function manager's discretion.

HOBSONS BAY YACHT CLUB - VENUE HIRE TERMS

Guest Conduct

It is expected that your function will be conducted in an orderly and lawful manner. HBYC reserves the right to conclude your event early should the bar supervisor or security staff believe the event is not being conducted in an orderly and lawful manner. Should your event conclude early for this reason HBYC will not be responsible for any loss, damages, or expenses you may incur due to the early termination of your event.

Liquor Licensing

HBYC practices responsible serving of alcohol in accordance with Victorian legislation. As such all staff hold a responsible service of alcohol certificate and are obliged to eject persons from the venue should they appear intoxicated. Staff will also use discretion in ejecting persons from the venue should they act disruptively or disorderly. HBYC will serve alcohol until 11.15pm.

Indemnity

The hirer agrees to indemnify HBYC against any loss or damage caused to club property or the property of surrounding areas, businesses, and persons where guests of the function have acted disruptively, disorderly, or unlawfully and therefore contributed to these losses and/or damage. This includes but is not limited to damage to vehicles and boats parked in and around the club grounds. If HBYC is unable to provide facilities or services for your function due to circumstances beyond the Club's control including but not limited to power failure, flooding or fire damage, you will indemnify HBYC against any damages or expenses you may incur due to the failure to provide these facilities or services.

Function Security

It is necessary that you provide the club with a full guest list (First and Surname) upon request. If you are unable to do this all non-members must sign in on arrival. Functions of 100 persons or more will require a security person at the front entrance at the cost of the hirer.

No Smoking

Hobsons Bay Yacht Club is a no smoking venue. Smoking and the use of e-cigarettes is strictly prohibited throughout the entire venue, both indoors and outdoors (including the balcony area). This is to uphold our values as a sporting club and to reflect the decisions of our club members. Guests who would like to smoke must leave the premises and must not take any beverages or glassware from the venue out onto the street. Guests who are disregarding our no smoking policy will be asked to leave.

Catering and Bar

External service hirers are required to use the club bar facilities for beverage requirements. They are also required to attend a kitchen induction and provide the club with a copy of their public liability insurance (minimum 10 million) and current food handling licence.

BYO is **not permitted** under our liquor licensing. For bar tabs, we accept Visa, Mastercard, or cash. Your tab must be paid for at the conclusion of your event.

Please note that the table in front of the bar cannot be moved.

Self Catering

It is up to you to arrange the heating and service of the food as well as instruct anyone that may help you. You must supply sufficient food for your guests in accordance with the Responsible Service of Alcohol legislation. - Example: Chips, cheese, and nuts are not sufficient. You will need all your own platters, napkins, and any other requirements. These must be removed from HBYC after your event. Everything you bring in for catering must be removed from HBYC after your event. Use of the oven and fridge only. **NOT the fryer or stove (OHS hazard).**

We ask that the kitchen is left as it was found, clean and tidy with all rubbish removed and floors swept. The extraction fan must be on when using the oven or your own fryer. Any wait staff you provide yourself will be your responsibility and not that of HBYC.

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Set up / Arrival times

It is understandable that some caterers will need time to set up equipment and prepare food. As the kitchen is available to members for use after racing, we ask that caterers not arrive any earlier than 6 pm unless an earlier time is organised by the function manager.

Caterers may drop off equipment during the day by arrangement with the function manager.

Function Cancellation or Deferral

Should you need to cancel or defer your event, the following cancellation fees will apply: 30 days or more notice prior to your event - 100% fees refunded, 7-29 days prior to your event - 50% fees refunded Less than 7 days - full fees retained.

Car Parking

The HBYC Members car park is not available for use by guests, but the club or function manager may permit its use for those providing the catering, and/or entertainment.

Decorations

The bar closes to members at **7 pm**. You will have access to the bar area from 6 pm to set up any decorations. We ask that as much as you can you do not get in the way of members using the bar during this period.

It's recommended that you keep decoration to a minimum as it is also the responsibility of the hirer to remove all decoration from the club at the end of the function.

No opened flamed candles. **No** confetti. You are welcome to drop off decorations etc during the day as they can be stored in a locked room until your function.

Children

Children must be supervised at all times. Please note that the HBYC Yard is **out of bounds** to all guests. Please ensure children remain within the Club fencing.

Signed

Date
