



CRUISER OWNERS ASSOCIATION
2025 COA Men's Challenge Four Bays Rally
(Saturday 26 Apr 2025)



Rally Instructions

1. The Rally starts at 10:30am
 - All boats arrive at the start line and start right away 10:30:00.
 - Stop motoring and activate the RaceQs Tracking recording 5 minutes before you pass the start line
 - If you arrive from the North, sail past the Shek O Rock start line from North to South.
 - If you arrive from the East or South, sail round the Shek O Rock to Port and pass the start line from North to South
 - The time recorded in RaceQs system when you crossed the start line from North to South will be your actual start time in the Rally.
 - Start before 10:30:00 will score OCS and add 5% to Elapse Time, **OCS more than 5 minutes will score DSQ**
 - Start after 11:00:00 will score DNS
2. Rally Results
 - A total of 40 minutes will be deducted from the elapsed time (for kayaking and drinking time of the drinkers.)
 - Boats' PHS Corrected time will be used as their class results in the Rally
 - ***Boat's Sailsys PHS Results for reference.***
3. Start line of the Rally
 - A Virtual Start Line at Latitude 22°14.040'N between Shek O Rock Light to Port and Hong Kong Island to starboard
4. Four Bays to visit in which to drink a can of beer make up the Rally
 - Boats will visit the 4 Bays at Stanley Beach HK Aquabound Centre, Blake Pier, Chung Hom Kok Beach and Deep Water Bay BBQ area, all at the Southern side of the Hong Kong Island.
 - Each Boat will send 2 crew members to each Bay / Pub to drink a can of beer.
 - Male crew **MUST** drink a can of beer (to be provided by COA on-site); female crew can choose to drink a can of beer or non-alcoholic drink (to be provided by the drink crew).
 - The Drinker Crews will then return to their boats and sail to the next Bay / Pub
 - Refer Appendix A and Appendix B for the details of visiting the 4 Pubs in the 4 Bays in the Rally
5. Finish of the Rally
 - Finish of the Rally is at Bay 4 - Deep Water Bay BBQ Area.
 - The time that the 2nd Drinker Crew finished his / her drink will be the boat's finish time
 - The Drinker Crews then return to their yachts after finished their drinks.
6. Rally Declarations
 - Use "RaceQs" Track Record

- Before 10:30:00 GPS Time, activate “RaceQs” System to record your boat’s track.
- Ensure to use more than 1 phone to record your track. Phones with different service providers would help.
- When you finished, save & upload your “RaceQs” track records to the system, at the latest by 18:00

Reminder : A boat does not upload her “RaceQs” track record before 18:00 will be scored DNF in the Rally.

7. Result & Prizes

- Results of the Rally will be posted to the event WhatsApp Group ASAP.
- Prizes will be awarded to the top ranked boats in class subject to number of entries in the class
- A prize will be awarded to the first boat in the “Family Class”
- Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Rally Committee.
- *Prize Giving arrangements will be advised after the event*

Appendix A - COA Four Bays Rally 2024 (Saturday 17th August 2024) - Course & Route Map - Approx. 16 nm

- Note :
1. The RRS Appendix WP (Rules for Racing Around Waypoints) will apply
 2. GPS Coordinates given in this Rally SIs refer to GPS Datum WGS84
 3. **Boats should stay away at least 200 meters from the Bay point after dropping off their drinker crews.**
 4. Boats should be away of the depth of dropping point near the Bay
 5. Boats can use engine when waiting for their drinker crews (i.e. after releasing drinker crews & before recovering drinker crews prior to re-start sailing to next Bay)

Course / Cut-off times / Time Limits:

Start : A Virtual Start Line at Latitude 22°14.040’N between Shek O Rock Light to Port and Hong Kong Island to starboard

- All Boats Start at 10:30:00
- Boats should start the Rally by crossing the Shek O Rock start line from North to South

Mark 1 : Hok Tsui (Kau Pei Chau) (Starboard)

Bay 1 : Stanley Main Beach HK Aquabound Centre

- Drop the 2 drinker crew members
- **Boats should stay away at least 200 meters after dropping off their drinker crews.**
- The 2 drinker crew members can go to the beach by dinghy / kayak / paddleboard, swimming is NOT ALLOWED
- *Drinks will be provided at a tent on the beach adjacent to the HK Aquabound Centre.*
- After drinker crews have returned on board, the yacht shall sail to the next Bay.

Mark 2 : Bluff Head (Starboard)

- Bay 2* : Stanley Bay – Blake Pier
- Drop the 2 drinker crew members
 - **Boats should stay away at least 200 meters after dropping off their drinker crews.**
 - The 2 drinker crew members can go to the Blake Pier by dinghy / kayak / paddleboard, swimming is NOT ALLOWED
 - *Drinks will be provided at the Blake Pier drinks Stall.*
 - After drinker crews have returned on board, the yacht shall sail to the next Bay.

Mark 3 : Round Island (Starboard)

- Bay 3* : Chung Hom Kok Bay Beach
(Provisional
Cut Off)
- Drop the 2 drinker crew members
 - **Boats should stay away at least 200 meters after dropping off their drinker crews.**
 - The 2 drinker crew members can go to the beach by dinghy / kayak / paddleboard, swimming is NOT ALLOWED
 - *Drinks will be provided at the beach, southern end*
 - After drinker crews have returned on board, the yacht shall sail to the next Bay.
- If crews from leading boat fail to arrive at the Bay 3 beach by 15:00 hrs, the Rally will be cut short at Bay 3.
 - The time that the 2nd Drinker Crew finished his / her drink at Bay 3 will be the boat's finish time
 - Boats with their crews finished their drinks at the Bay 3 by 16:00 hrs will score a result in the Rally in the event of a cut-off.

Mark 4 : Round Island (2nd time) (Starboard)

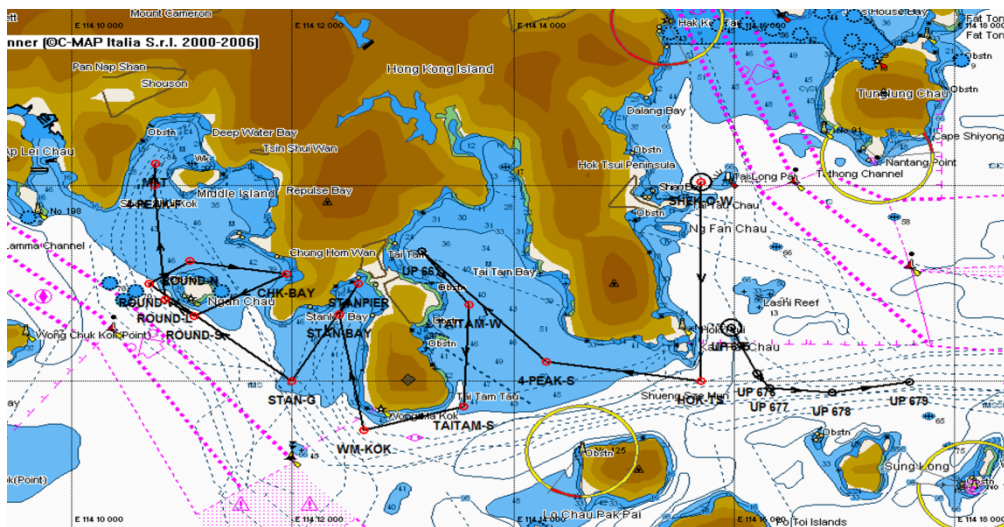
- Bay 4* : Deep Water Bay BBQ Stall Eastern End
(Finish)
- Drop the 2 drinker crew members
 - **Boats should stay away at least 200 meters after dropping off their drinker crews.**
 - The 2 drinker crew members can go to the BBQ Area by dinghy / kayak / paddleboard, swimming is NOT ALLOWED
 - *Drinks will be provided at the Eastern end of the BBQ Area.*
- If crews from leading boat failed to arrive at the Bay 4 finish by 16:00 hrs, the Rally will be cut short at the Bay 3.
 - Boats with their crews finished their drinks at the Bay 4 by 17:00 hrs will score a result in the Rally.

There will be no organized post event activities.

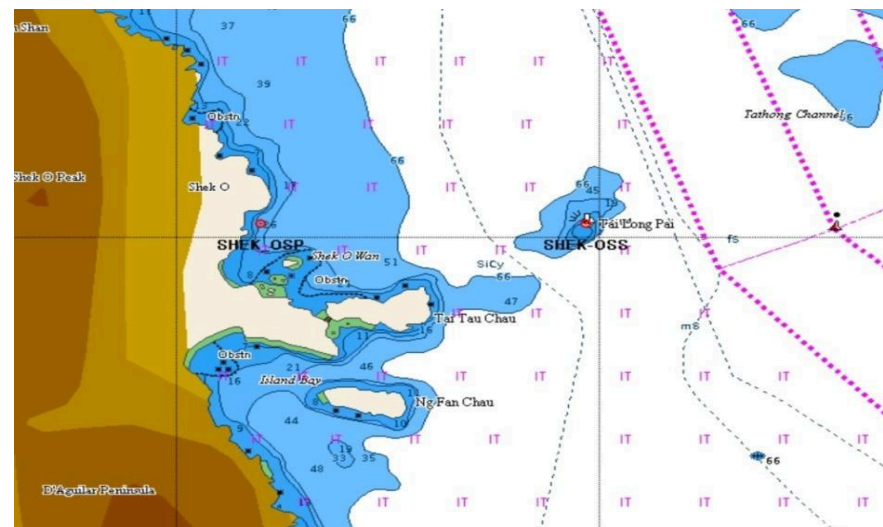
Appendix B - COA Four Bays Rally 2023 (Saturday 17th August 2024) – Route Maps

- (Maps for reference only, must not to be used for navigation)

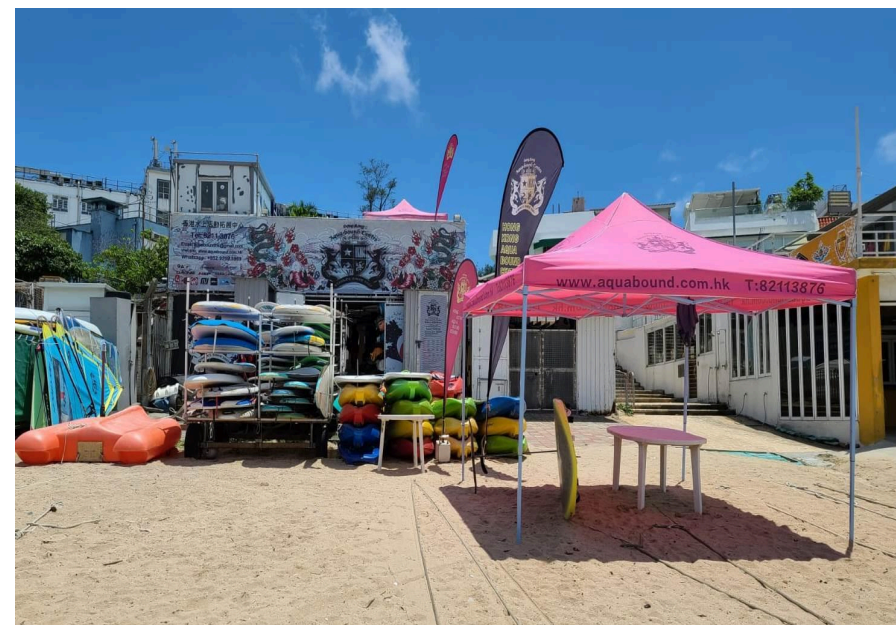
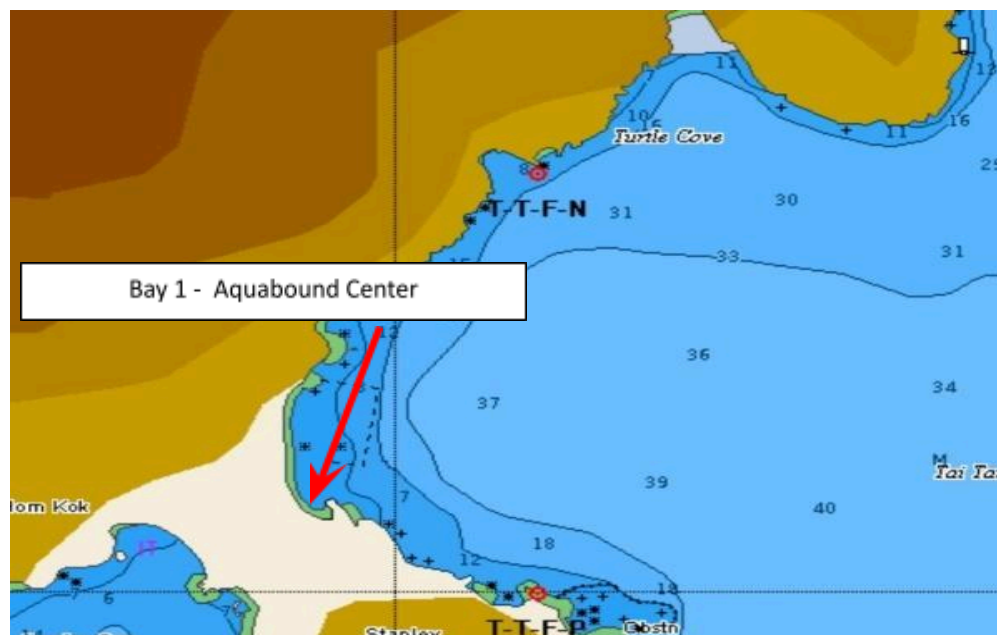
Rally Course Map - Approx. 16 Nm



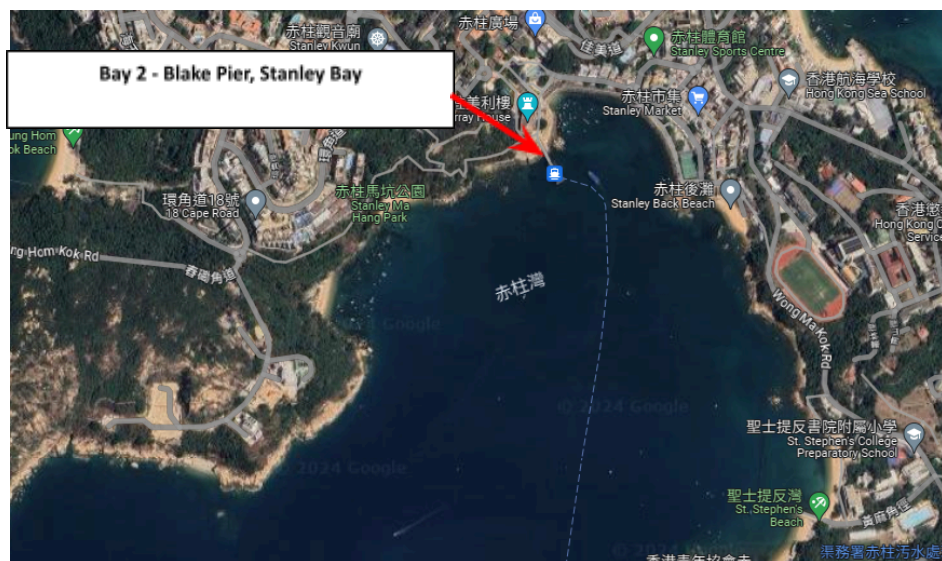
- Start Line - Shek O Rock (North to South)



- Location and Drop Off Boundary for Bay 1 – Stanley Main Beach Aquabound Center



Location and Drop Off Boundary for Bay 2 – Stanley Bay – Blake Pier



- Location and Drop Off Boundary for Bay 3 – Chung Hom Kok Bay - Yacht (Provision Cut Short)



- Location and Drop Off Boundary for Bay 4 – Deep Water Bay – North West

of Middle Island (Finish)

Remarks : There will be no post Rally gatherings. Boats' crew members to return to their yachts after finished the Rally