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# 2007 BALMAIN REGATTA

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2007

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### 1. Rules

All races shall be governed by the current ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions and special regulations of the YA and the IRPCS, unless otherwise altered by these instructions.

### 2. Eligibility and Race Entry

The regatta is open to any vessel acceptable to the Regatta Committee on the day.

These include special races for historic workboats and gentleman's launches which are open to wooden boats with inboard engines whose owners wish to describe them as either a "historic workboat" or a "gentleman's launch".

All entrants shall lodge a completed Race Entry Form with the Sailing Office, accompanied by the relevant entry fee up until Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2007. Late entries will be accepted up until two hours prior to each event; however, a late entry fee will apply.

All boats will be required to fly the Regatta Pennant, which will be issued as part of race entry, and all competing boats are to report to the Committee Vessel prior to their event.

### 3. Responsibility

All keelboats shall comply with the Special Regulations Part 1 for Race Category 7. It is the responsibility of each skipper/owner to maintain their boat to the required standard of safety and keep all safety equipment on board and in working order.

All keelboats shall also carry a Third Party Liability Insurance Policy (minimum \$5,000,000).

All keelboats shall have a minimum of two (2) crew.

Entrants must acknowledge that Rule 4 – Decision to Race – places sole responsibility for deciding to participate in a race or continue racing on the individual skipper alone.

### 4. Divisions

The Race Committee may form racing divisions at its discretion. The composition and allocation of boats into divisions shall not be subject to protest or constitute grounds for redress (amends RRS 60.1 and 62.1). Divisions will be supplied to entrants together with these sailing instructions and will be available on the internet ([www.balmainsailingclub.com](http://www.balmainsailingclub.com)) three days before the regatta.

### 5. Historic Workboats and Gentlemen's Launches

This event is an observation trial. Sailing instructions must be obtained from the club-house deck between 9:30am and 10.45am on the day of the regatta.

### 6. The Waterman Event

The 'Waterman' event is open to any boat that is capable of carrying a payload equivalent to a sack of potatoes, and is manually propelled by oars.

The start line shall be the transit line formed by the triangle on the front of the deck of the Balmain Sailing Club and the rescue boat. The course shall be a 'U' which proceeds south to the turning mark (EP) and the finish shall be the same as the start line.

### 7. Identification Numbers

Vessels identified by a sail number, matched on their race entry form, will be identified by that number. All other entries will be issued with a number, which must be clearly displayed at the start and finish of the race. Unidentified boats will not be placed.

## 8. Courses

Note that course drawings at the end of these sailing instructions are for assistance only – courses sailed will be those noted in point 8 or 9 (i.e. text).

Vintage Skiffs A and Vintage Skiffs B will sail either Course 3, Course 4, Course 5 or Course 6.

Open Dinghies, Open Lasers, Wooden Yachts A, Wooden Yachts B, Pub Challenge, Services Race, Open Yachts A, Open Yachts B, Stella/Folkboats and Bluebirds will sail either Course 1 or Course 2.

Waterman will sail Course 7.

The committee vessel will display one of code flags 1 through 6 prior to the start of the event, indicating that the corresponding course (1 through 6) is to be sailed.

### **Course 1**

Course 1 **Open Dinghies, Open Lasers:**

Start\_WB(P)\_CK\_SPB(P)\_SB(P)\_SI(P)\_RI(P)\_SB(P)\_Finish

Course 1 **Classic Yachts A**

Start\_MB(P)\_BH(P)\_WB(P)\_MB(P)\_BH(P)\_WB(P)\_CK\_SB(P)\_Finish

Course 1 **Classic Yachts B, Stella/Folkboats, Bluebirds & Hartley 16s**

Start\_MB(P)\_BH(P)\_WB(P)\_MB(P)\_BH(P)\_CK\_SB(P)\_Finish

Course 1 **Pub Challenge, Services Race, Open Yachts A & Yachts B.**

Start\_GI(P)\_BH(P)\_WB(P)\_GI(P)\_BH(P)\_WB(P)\_CK\_SPB(P)\_SB(P)\_Finish

### **Course 2**

Course 2 **Open Dinghies, Open Lasers:**

Start\_SB\_RI\_SI\_SB\_SPB\_CK(P)\_WB\_Finish

Course 2 **Classic Yachts A.**

Start\_SB\_CK(P)\_WB\_BH\_MB\_WB\_BH\_MB\_Finish

Course 2 **Classic Yachts B, Stella/ Folkboats, Bluebirds & Hartley 16s**

Start\_SB\_CK(P)\_WB\_BH\_MB\_WB\_BH\_Finish

Course 2 **Pub Challenge, Services Race, Open Yachts A & Yachts B.**

Start\_SB\_SPB\_CK(P)\_WB\_BH\_GI\_WB\_BH\_GI\_Finish

### **Course 3**

Course 3 **Vintage Skiffs A:**

Start\_BH(P)\_CK(P)\_SI(P)\_CK\_MB(P)\_BH(P)\_CK\_SB(P)\_Finish

Course 3 **Vintage Skiffs B:**

Start\_BH(P)\_CK(P)\_SI(P)\_CK\_BH\_CK\_SB(P)\_Finish

### **Course 4**

Course 4 **Vintage Skiffs A:**

Start\_SB\_CK(P)\_BH\_MB\_CK(P)\_SI\_CK\_BH\_Finish

Course 4 **Vintage Skiffs B:**

Start\_SB\_CK(P)\_BH\_CK(P)\_SI\_CK\_BH\_Finish

## **Course 5**

Course 5 **Vintage Skiffs A:**

Start\_BH(P)\_CK(P)\_SI(P)\_CK\_BH(P)\_CK(P)\_SI(P)\_CK\_BH(P)\_CK\_SB(P)\_Finish

Course 5 **Vintage Skiffs B:**

Start\_BH(P)\_CK(P)\_SI(P)\_CK\_BH(P)\_CK\_SB(P)\_Finish

## **Course 6**

Course 6 **Vintage Skiffs A:**

Start\_SB\_CK(P)\_BH\_CK(P)\_SI\_CK\_BH\_CK(P)\_SI\_CK\_BH\_Finish

Course 6 **Vintage Skiffs B:**

Start\_SB\_CK(P)\_BH\_CK(P)\_SI\_CK\_BH\_Finish

## **Course 7**

Course 7: **Waterman** Start\_EP(P)\_Finish

*Note: EP(P) will consist of two (2) buoys in close proximity to assist in the formation of a 'U' shaped course*

## **9. Short Courses**

If the shortened course is to be sailed, code flag S will be displayed on the committee vessel prior to the start.

### **Course 1**

Course 1 **Open Dinghies, Open Lasers:**

Start\_WB(P)\_CK\_SPB(P)\_SB(P)\_SI(P)\_SB(P)\_Finish

Course 1 **Classic Yachts A.**

Start\_MB(P)\_BH(P)\_WB(P)\_CK\_SB(P)\_Finish

Course 1 **Classic Yachts B, Stella/ Folkboats, Bluebirds & Hartley 16s**

Start\_MB(P)\_BH(P)\_WB(P)\_CK\_SB(P)\_Finish

Course 1 **Pub Challenge, Services Race, Open Yachts A & Yachts B,**

Start\_GI(P)\_BH(P)\_WB(P)\_CK\_SPB(P)\_SB(P)\_Finish

### **Course 2**

Course 2 **Open Dinghies, Open Lasers:**

Start\_SB\_SI\_SB\_SPB\_CK(P)\_WB\_Finish

Course 2 **Classic Yachts A.**

Start\_SB\_CK(P)\_WB\_BH\_MB\_Finish

Course 2 **Classic Yachts B, Stella/ Folkboats, Bluebirds & Hartley 16s**

Start\_SB\_CK(P)\_WB\_BH\_MB\_Finish

Course 2 **Pub Challenge, Services Race, Open Yachts A & Yachts B.**

Start\_SB\_SPB\_CK(P)\_WB\_BH\_GI\_Finish

### **Course 3**

#### Course 3 **Vintage Skiffs A:**

Start\_BH(P)\_CK(P)\_SI(P)\_CK\_BH(P)\_CK\_SB(P)\_Finish

#### Course 3 **Vintage Skiffs B:**

Start\_BH(P)\_CK(P)\_SI(P)\_CK\_SB(P)\_Finish

### **Course 4**

#### Course 4 **Vintage Skiffs A:**

Start\_SB\_CK(P)\_BH\_CK(P)\_SI\_CK\_BH\_CK\_Finish

#### Course 4 **Vintage Skiffs B:**

Start\_SB\_CK(P)\_BH\_CK(P)\_SI\_CK\_Finish

### **Course 5**

#### Course 5 **Vintage Skiffs A:**

Start\_BH(P)\_CK(P)\_SI(P)\_CK\_BH(P)\_CK\_SB(P)\_Finish

#### Course 5 **Vintage Skiffs B:**

Start\_BH(P)\_CK(P)\_SI(P)\_CK\_SB(P)\_Finish

### **Course 6**

#### Course 6 **Vintage Skiffs A:**

Start\_SB\_CK(P)\_BH\_CK(P)\_SI\_CK\_BH\_CK\_Finish

#### Course 6 **Vintage Skiffs B:**

Start\_SB\_CK(P)\_BH\_CK(P)\_SI\_CK\_Finish

### **Course 7**

Course 7 will not be shortened.

## **10. Rounding Marks**

<u>Rounding marks:</u>	BH	Buoy inside Balls Head Bay	(BSC buoy)
	CK	Cockatoo Island	
	DB	Buoy inside Drummoyne Bay	(BSC buoy)
	EP	Two (2) Buoys S of Balmain Sailing Club	(BSC buoy)
	GI	Goat Island	
	MB	West of Goat Island	(BSC buoy)
	RI	Rodd Island	
	SPB	Buoy E of Spectacle Island	(BSC buoy)
	SB	Buoy SE of Snapper Island	(BSC buoy)
	SI	Buoy N of Spectacle Island	(BSC buoy)
	WB	Buoy NE of Clarkes Point	(BSC buoy)

*(P) denotes port-hand rounding*

Unless otherwise specified all rounding marks are to be passed on starboard hand. Rounding marks shall be 'guorls' displaying black and gold BSC burgees or 'buoys' displaying bright orange flags noted with 'BSC'.

## 11. Starting Line

The starting line for events except the Waterman event will be defined by a BSC buoy set off Cockatoo Island and the mast of the Committee Vessel **moored close to the Balmain Shore**, which will be flying the burgee of the Balmain Sailing Club.

## 12. Prohibited Water

The area of water between moorings and the shoreline shall be considered as prohibited water. The area of water bounded by Snapper Is., Spectacle Is., and the ammunition barges shall be considered as prohibited water.

## 13. One Minute Rule

Rule 30.1 will be used for all starts.

## 14. Recalls

Premature starters will be recalled according to rule 29.1 and 29.2.

## 15. Starting Times and Signals

Races will be started as follows. This changes rule 26. Each visual signal shall be accompanied by a sound signal. Times shall be taken from the visual signals; the failure of a sound signal shall be disregarded.

**Note: 12:40 – 13:20 Classic Yachts & Vintage Skiffs are to start at their prescribed time. The correct time will be displayed in minutes on the starters boat.**

Waterman		Course 7
	Time	Signal
Warning	10:55	1 sound
Preparatory	10:56	1 sound
One-Minute	10:59	1 sound
Start	<b>11:00</b>	1 sound

Dinghies Juniors		Separate S
	Time	Signal
Warning	11:25	'W' flag raised; 1 sound
Preparatory	11:26	'P' flag raised; 1 sound
One-Minute	11:29	'P' flag lowered; 1 sound
Start	<b>11:30</b>	'W' flag lowered; 1 sound

Historic Workboats and Gentlemen Launches (Treasure Hunt)		
	Time	Signal
Warning	11:40	'W' flag raised; 1 sound
Preparatory	11:41	'P' flag raised; 1 sound
One-Minute	11:44	'P' flag lowered; 1 sound
Start	<b>11:45</b>	'W' flag lowered; 1 sound

Open Dinghies		Course 1/2
	Time	Signal
Warning	11:55	'W' flag raised; 1 sound
Preparatory	11:56	'P' flag raised; 1 sound
One-Minute	11:59	'P' flag lowered; 1 sound
Start	<b>12:00</b>	'W' flag lowered; 1 sound

Open Lasers		Course 1/2
	Time	Signal
Warning	12:05	'W' flag raised; 1 sound
Preparatory	12:06	'P' flag raised; 1 sound
One-Minute	12:09	'P' flag lowered; 1 sound
Start	<b>12:10</b>	'W' flag lowered; 1 sound

Vintage Skiffs A / Vintage Skiffs B		
Course 3/4/5/6		
Classic Yachts A / Classic Yachts B & Stella/Folkboats		
Course 1/2		
	Time	Signal
Warning	12:25	'W' flag raised; 1 sound
Preparatory	12:26	'P' flag raised; 1 sound
One-Minute	12:29	'P' flag lowered; 1 sound
Start	<b>12:30</b>	'W' flag lowered; 1 sound, '40' raised

Bluebirds/ Hartley 16s		Course 1/2
	Time	Signal
Warning	13:10	'W' flag raised; 1 sound
Preparatory	13:11	'P' flag raised; 1 sound
One-Minute	13:14	'P' flag lowered; 1 sound
Start	<b>13:15</b>	'W' flag lowered; 1 sound

Open Yachts A		Course 1/2
	Time	Signal
Warning	13:20	'W' flag raised; 1 sound
Preparatory	13:21	'P' flag raised; 1 sound
One-Minute	13:24	'P' flag lowered; 1 sound
Start	<b>13:25</b>	'W' flag lowered; 1 sound

Open Yachts B		Course 1/2
	Time	Signal
Warning	13:30	'W' flag raised; 1 sound
Preparatory	13:31	'P' flag raised; 1 sound
One-Minute	13:34	'P' flag lowered; 1 sound
Start	<b>13:35</b>	'W' flag lowered; 1 sound

Pub Challenge & Services Race		Course 1/2
	Time	Signal
Warning	13:40	'W' flag raised; 1 sound
Preparatory	13:41	'P' flag raised; 1 sound
One-Minute	13:44	'P' flag lowered; 1 sound
Start	<b>13:45</b>	'W' flag lowered; 1 sound

## **16. Postponement/Abandonment**

*“Should the weather be deemed unfit for a Regatta, a red ensign will be hoisted for an hour from the tower of the Balmain Town Hall, from nine o’clock, and the Regatta postponed to a future date.” - from the Balmain Regatta Official Programme 1888.*

Alternatively the race committee may before the start signal, postpone or abandon the race. Race abandonment shall be advised by the Race Director or Starter at the clubhouse and signalled by the red light being switched on at the clubhouse (right side of the building, looking from the deck) or by displaying the code flag N on the committee vessel.

Abandoned races will not be resailed.

## **17. Keeping Clear at the Start & Finish**

Boats, whose warning signal has not been made, shall keep clear of the starting area and of all boats whose warning signal has been made. A boat that has either retired or finished shall keep clear of the finishing line and boats still racing. Boats moving to and from the pre-start area from Hunters Hill and Greenwich should not cross the start/finish line. They should pass to the north of Cockatoo Island and use the channel between Spectacle and Cockatoo Island. Movement to and from the BSC deck and pontoon should be through the moored boats.

## **18. Keeping Clear during the Race**

Yachts sailing through the starting area shall not pass through the start/finish line except when starting or finishing.

## **19. Extras**

This is a non-spinnaker regatta. Only fully hanked normal working sails may be used. Asymmetric spinnakers and other “extra” sails are not allowed. A headsail may be poled out.

Vintage skiffs (as defined by the AHSSA) and open dinghies/lasers are exempt from item 19, and may carry any sail they dare.

## **20. Boats Retiring**

If a boat abandons the race the skipper shall notify the Starter by coming within hailing distance of the Committee Vessel.

## **21. Finishing Line**

The finishing line is defined as the starting line defined above, crossed in the direction from the last rounding mark.

## **22. Protests**

Protests must be lodged with the BSC Sailing Office within one hour of each events time limit.

There will be a \$100.00 lodging fee for Workboat/Launch/Yacht protests and a \$50.00 lodging fee for Waterman/Skiff/Dinghy protests. Protests will be heard at a time and date to be advised by the Protest Committee. Lodging fees may be refunded at the discretion of the Protest Committee.

## **23. Time Limit**

The time limit for each event will be three hours after the individual start. This changes rule 35. A boat that does not finish within the time limit shall be scored DNF (amends RRS Appendix A).

## **24. Handicaps**

Handicaps shall be determined by the Sailing Committee and shall not be subject to protest or dispute.

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## RISK WARNING

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This **RISK WARNING** is issued jointly by the Balmain Sailing Club and the NSW Maritime Authority, pursuant to the **Civil Liability Act 2002** to all persons wishing to participate in the sailing activities conducted by Balmain Sailing Club.

Participants are warned that, regardless of the precautions, which might be taken by reasonable and experienced persons, sailing can be a dangerous pursuit and participants are exposed to significant risk of property damage, physical harm and possibly death.

As an indication, these risks may include, but are not limited to:

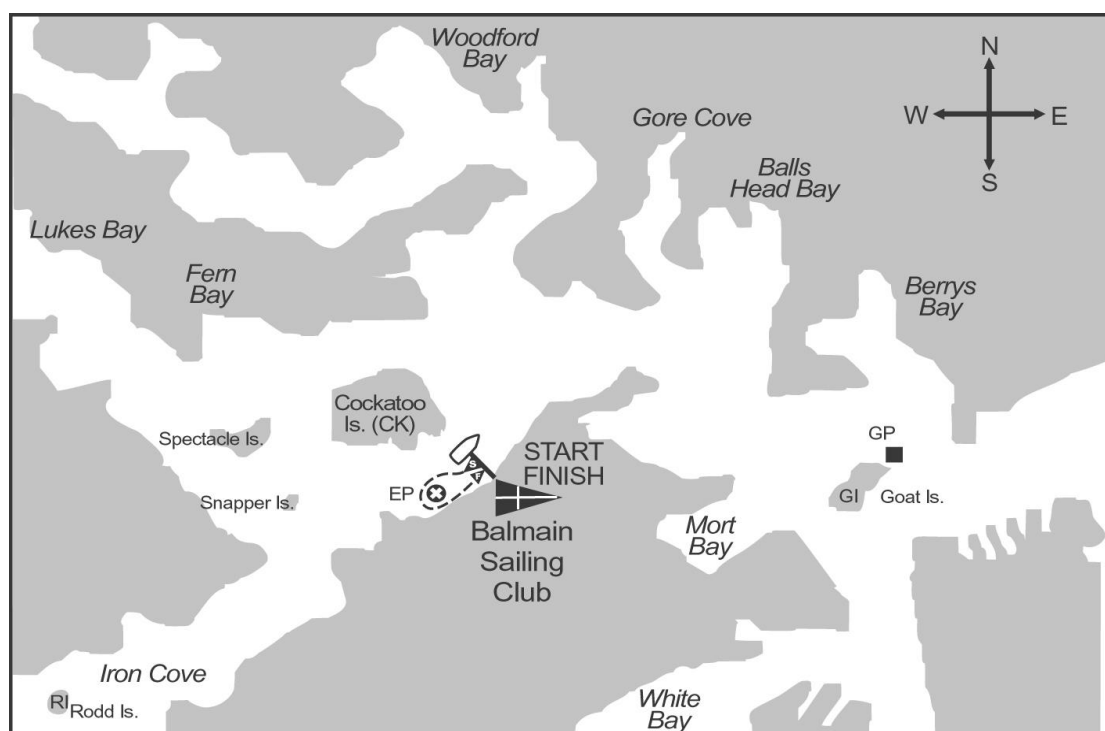
- The extremes of weather and sea conditions.
- The potential that control of vessels may be lost, resulting in collision with objects and other vessels.
- The sudden movement of the vessel at any time and the possibility that participants may fall or be thrown overboard, resulting in drowning.
- The possibility that participants may be injured by equipment on the vessel.
- The absence of immediate medical care and the likelihood that significant delays may occur before medical care is available.
- Exposure to the elements for extended periods.

Balmain Sailing Club and the NSW Maritime Authority also warn participants that regardless of their best intentions, they may be unable to render assistance to participants who are in distress. Participants are warned to consider the above risks and all other risks before deciding to participate in any sailing event with Balmain Sailing Club.

Participants are also advised that although Balmain Sailing Club is covered by third party liability insurance, this cover **DOES NOT** extend to participants. Any participant who considers they have a need for insurance must make their own private arrangements with an insurer. A personal accident insurance policy is available with subscription to membership of Yachting NSW.

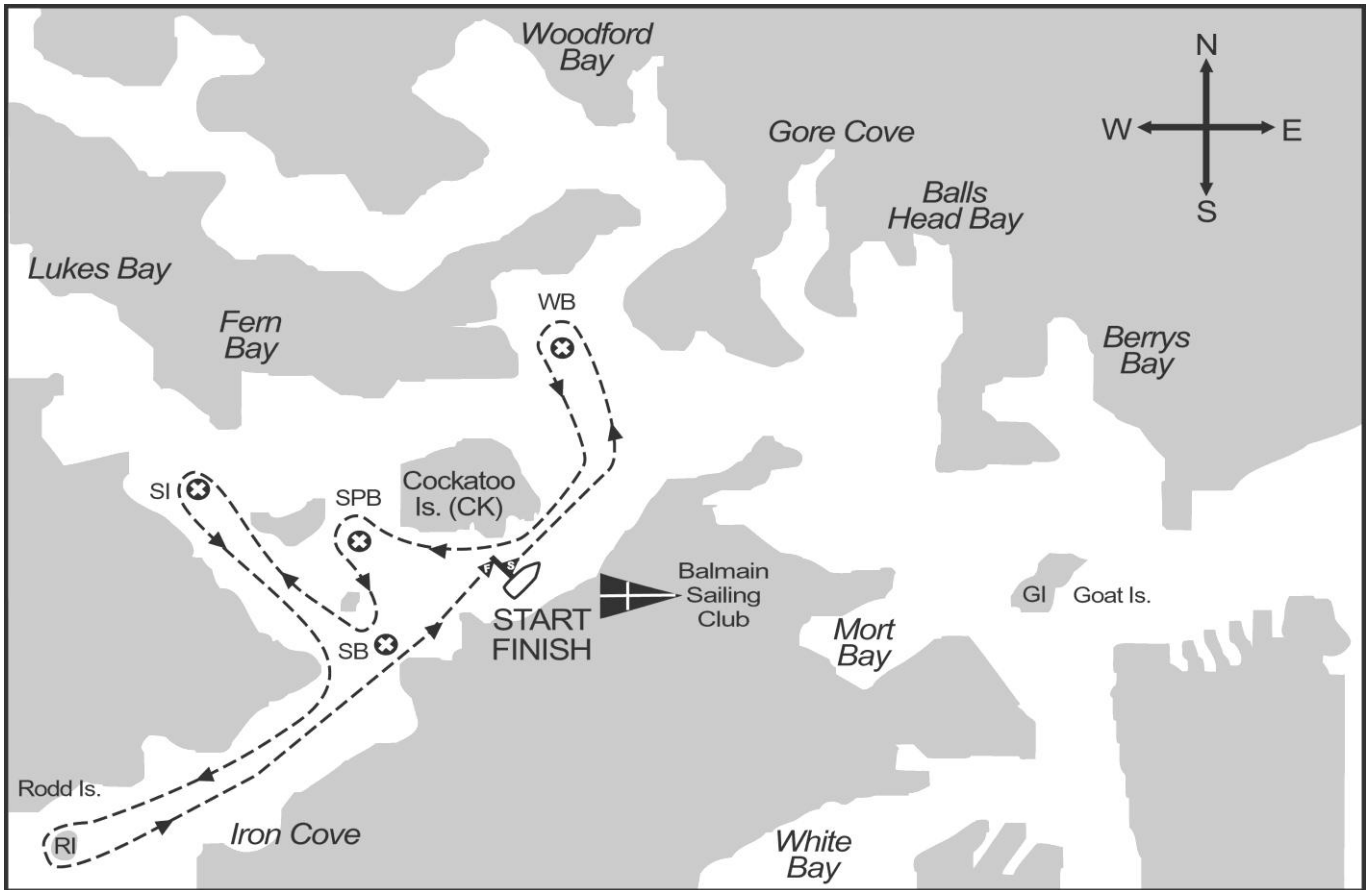
### Waterman

### Course 7



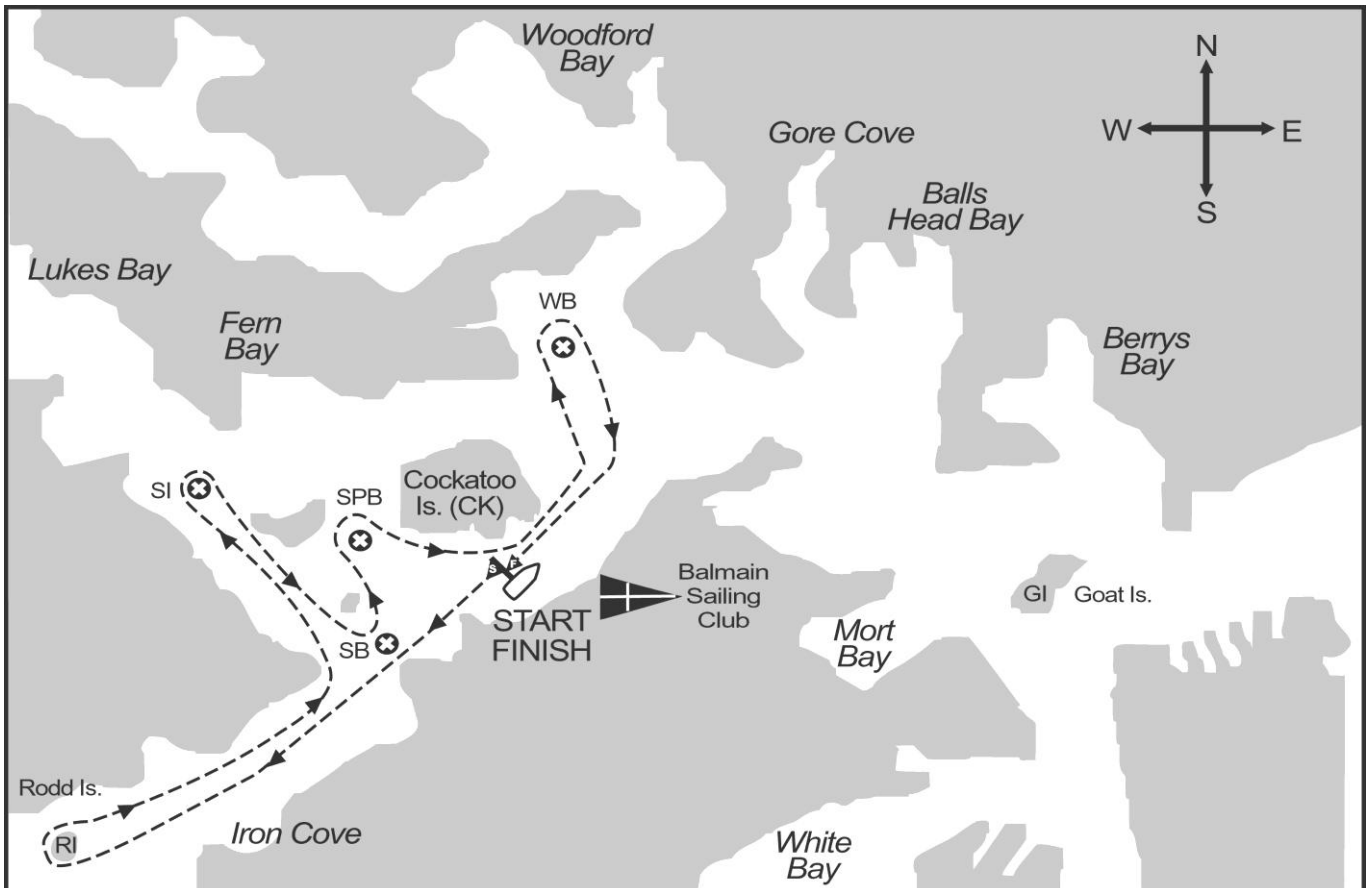
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# Course 1



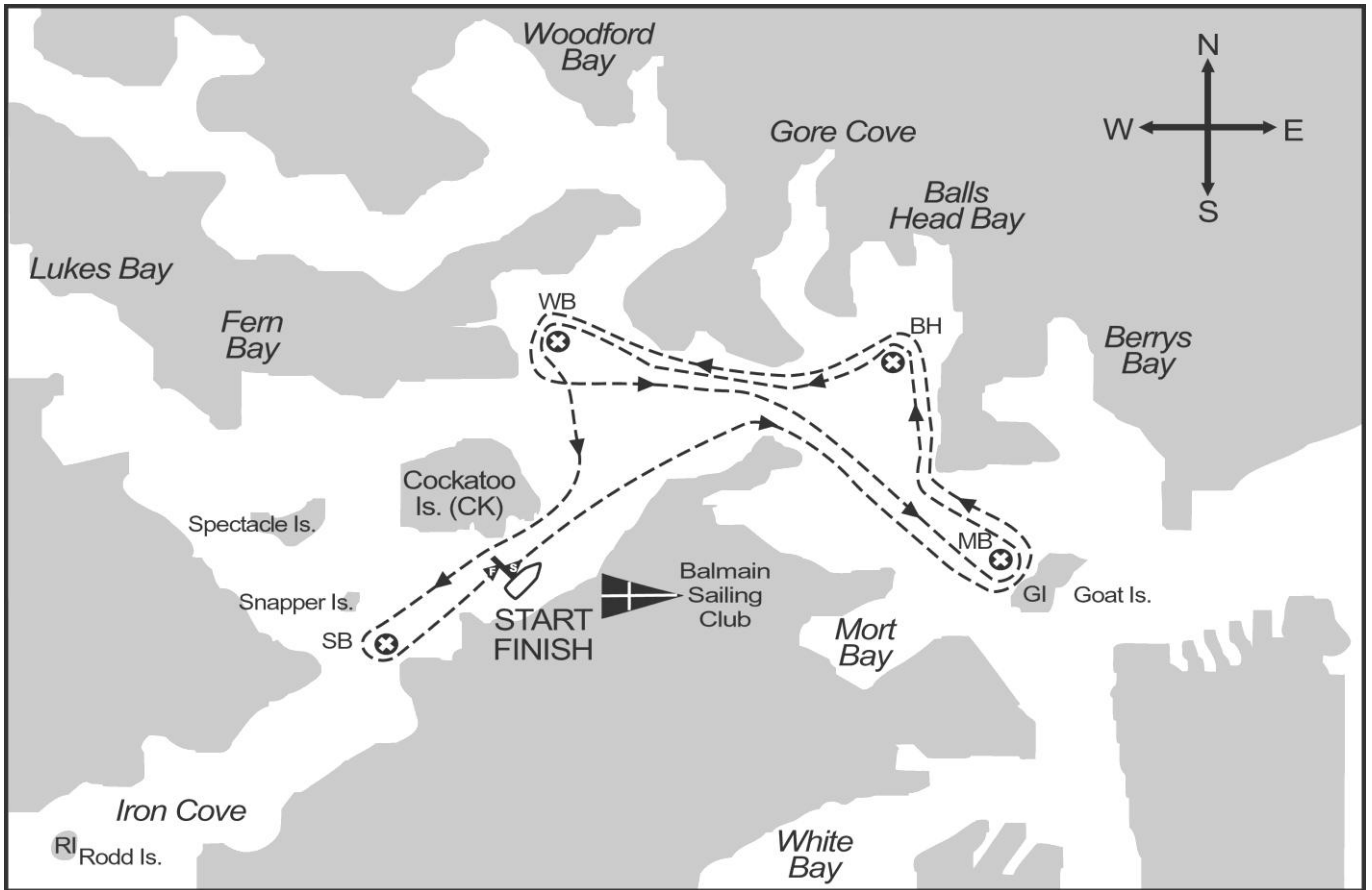
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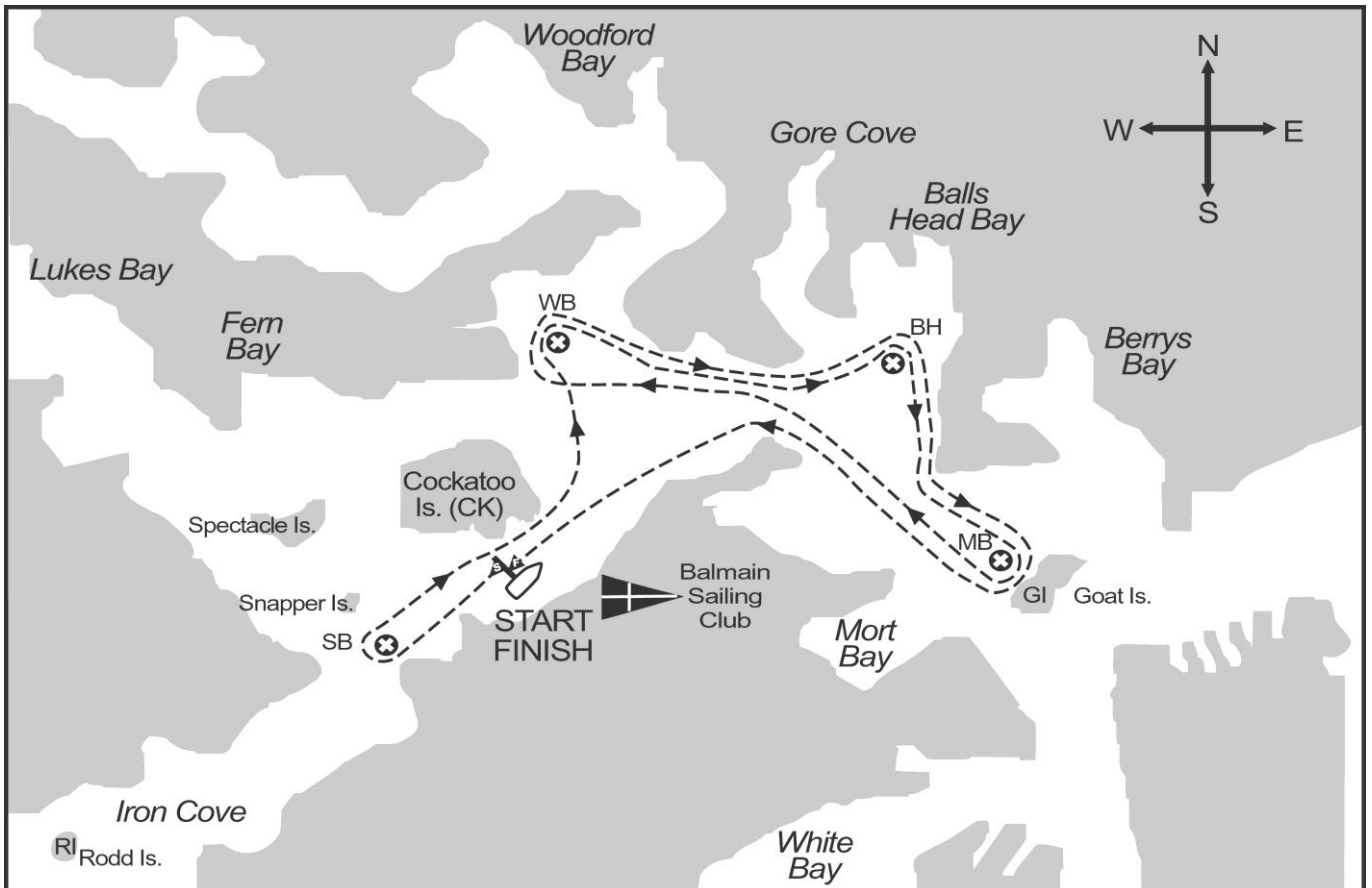
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# Course 1



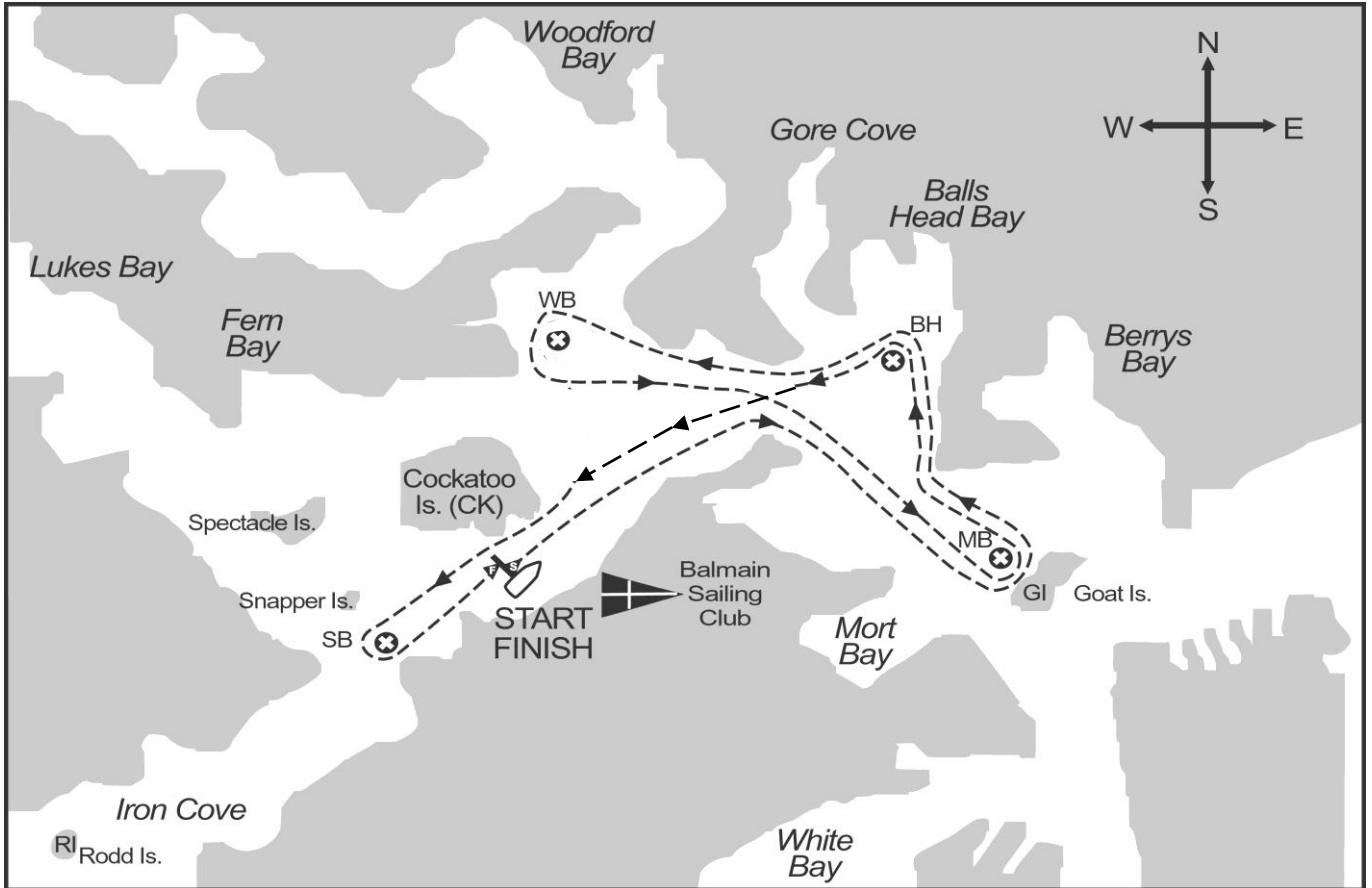
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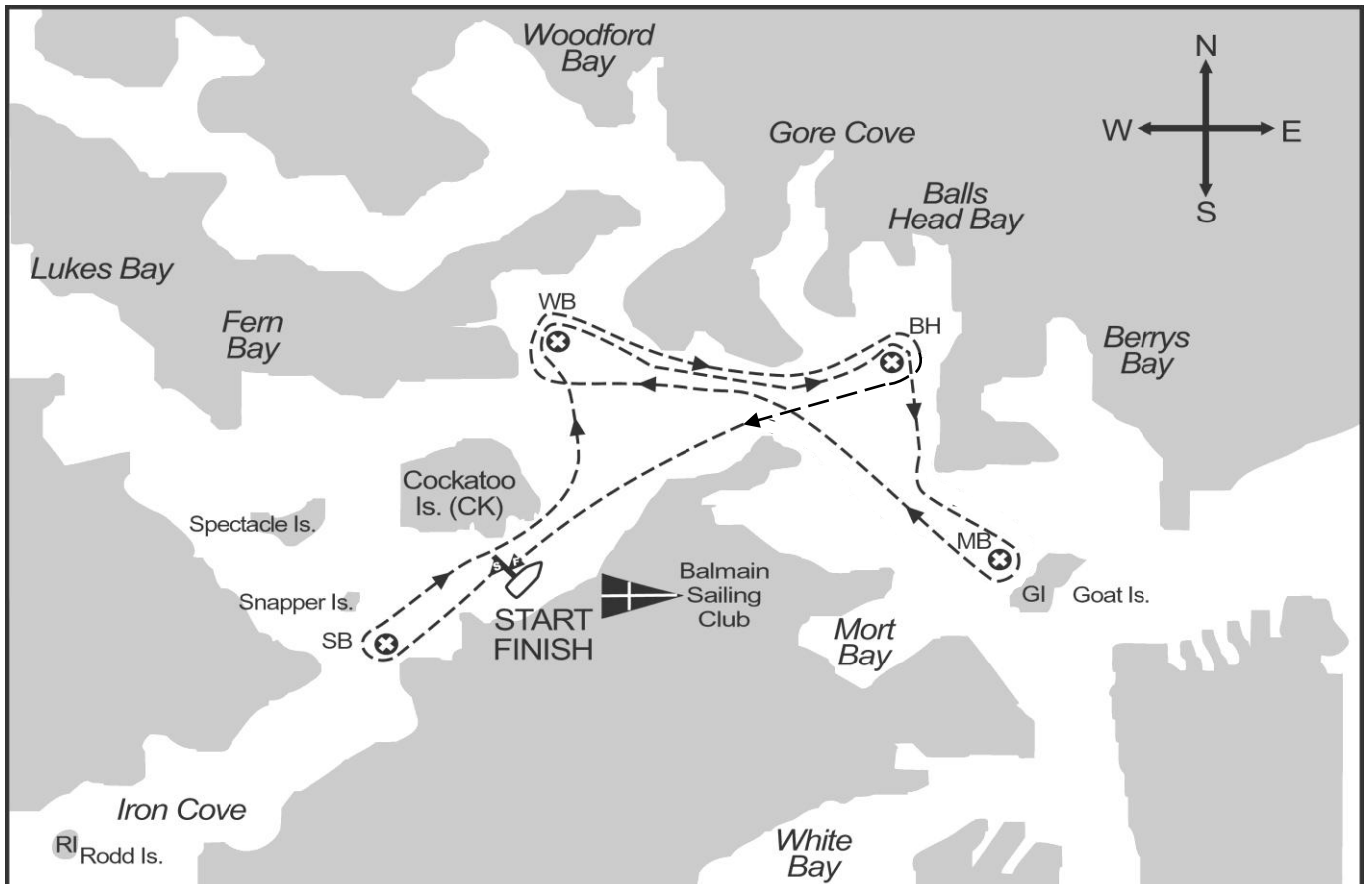
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## Course 1



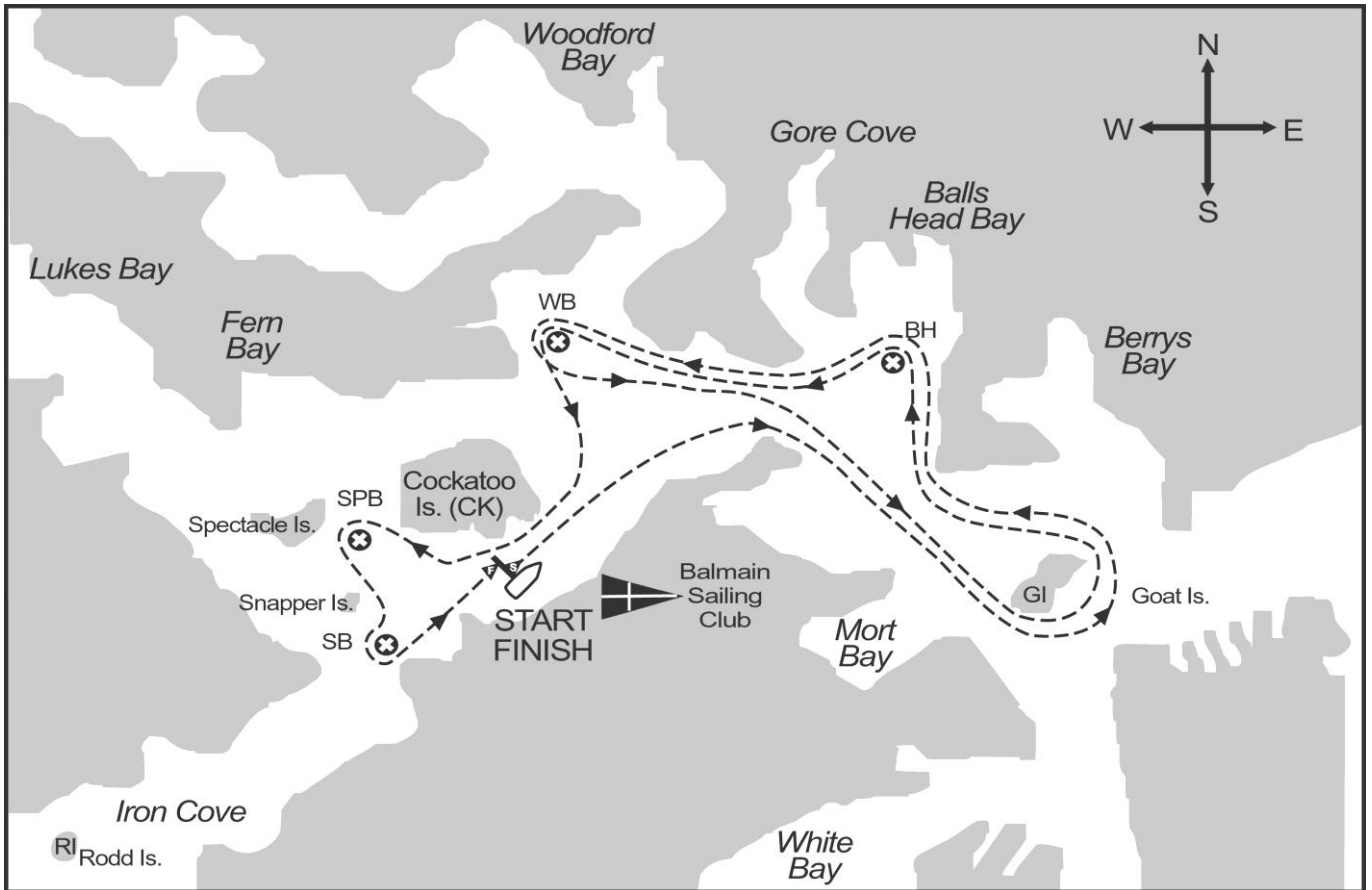
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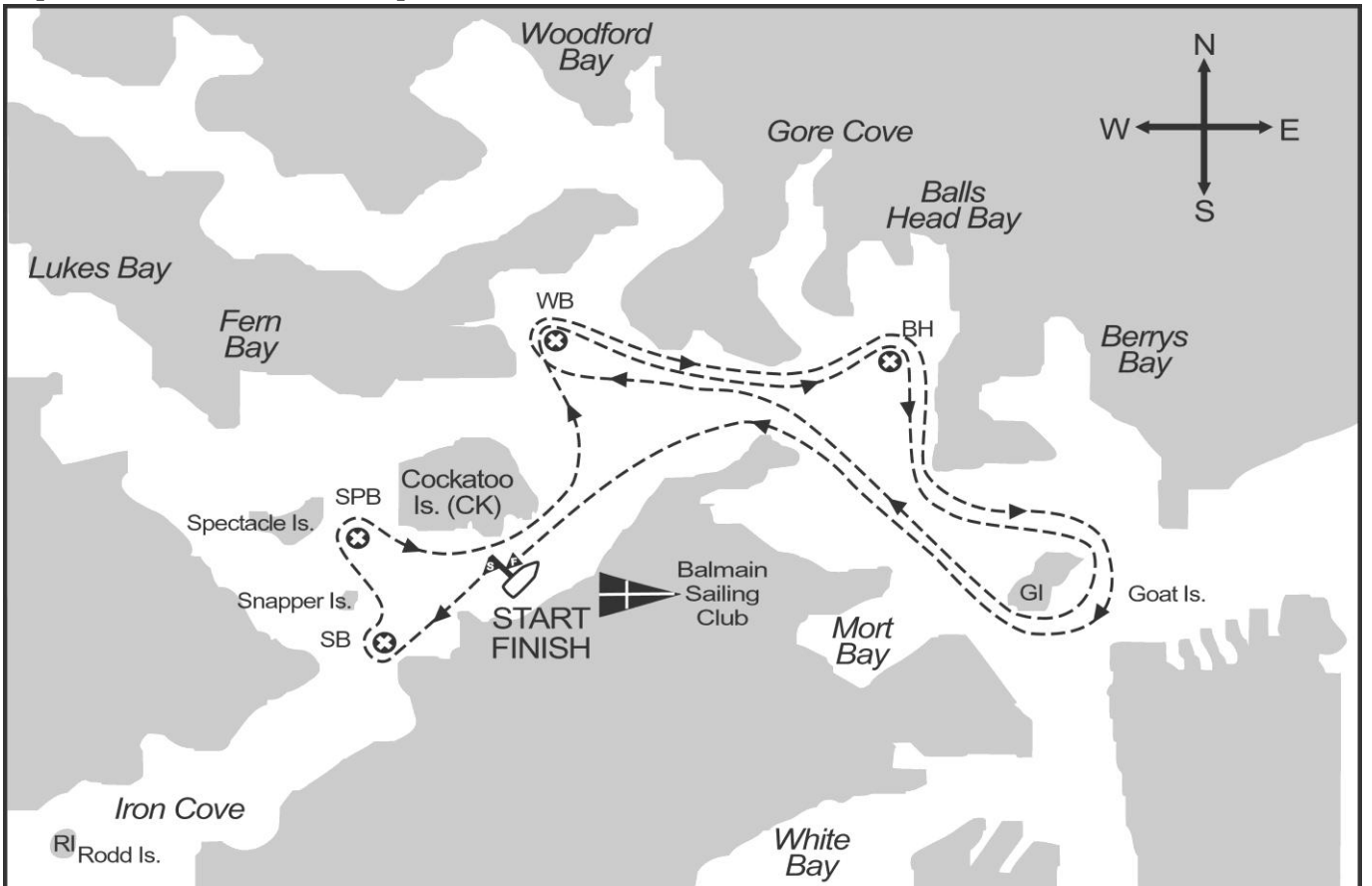
**Pub Challenge , Community Cup & Services Challenge,  
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**Course 1**



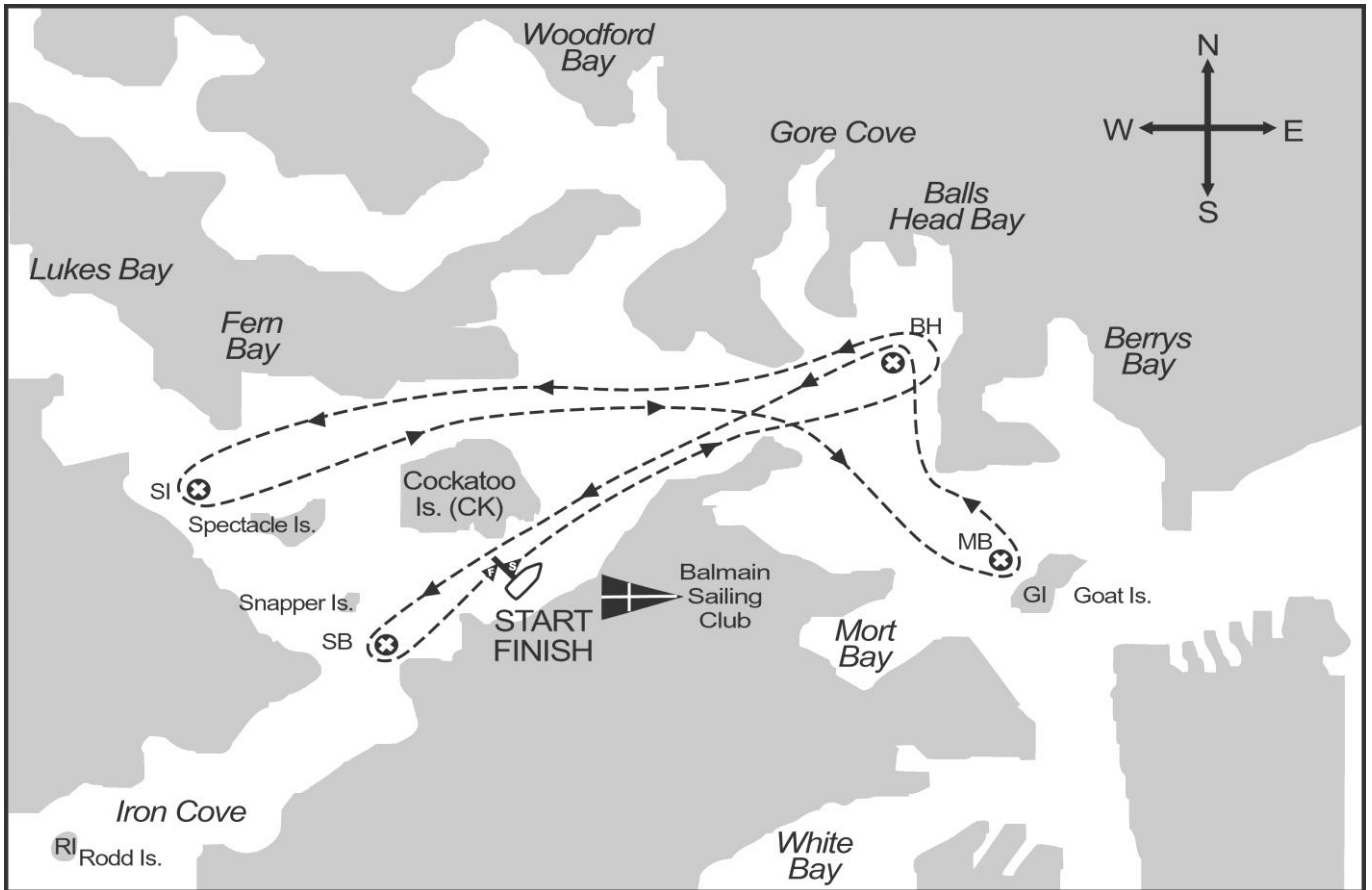
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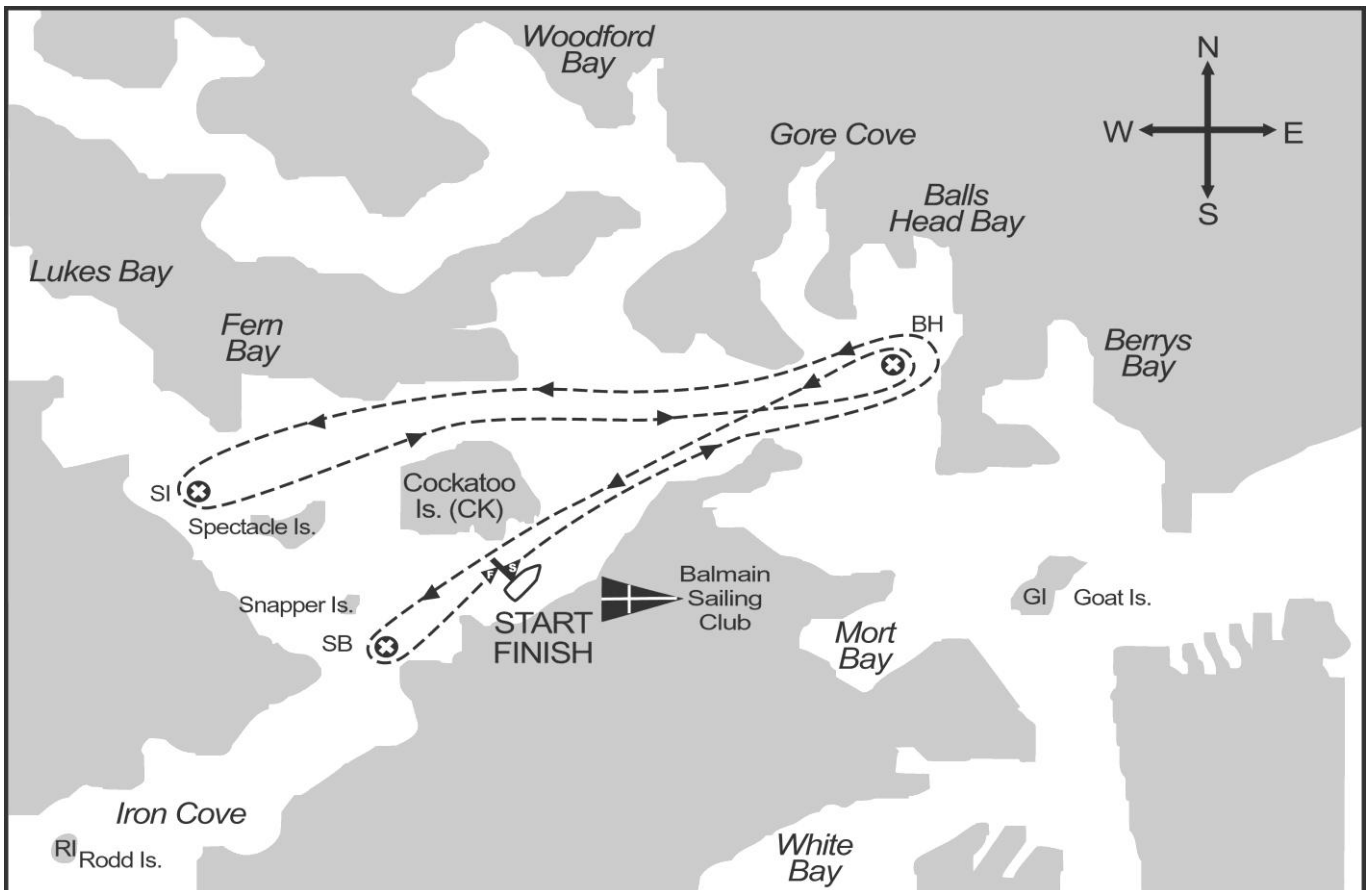
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# Course 3



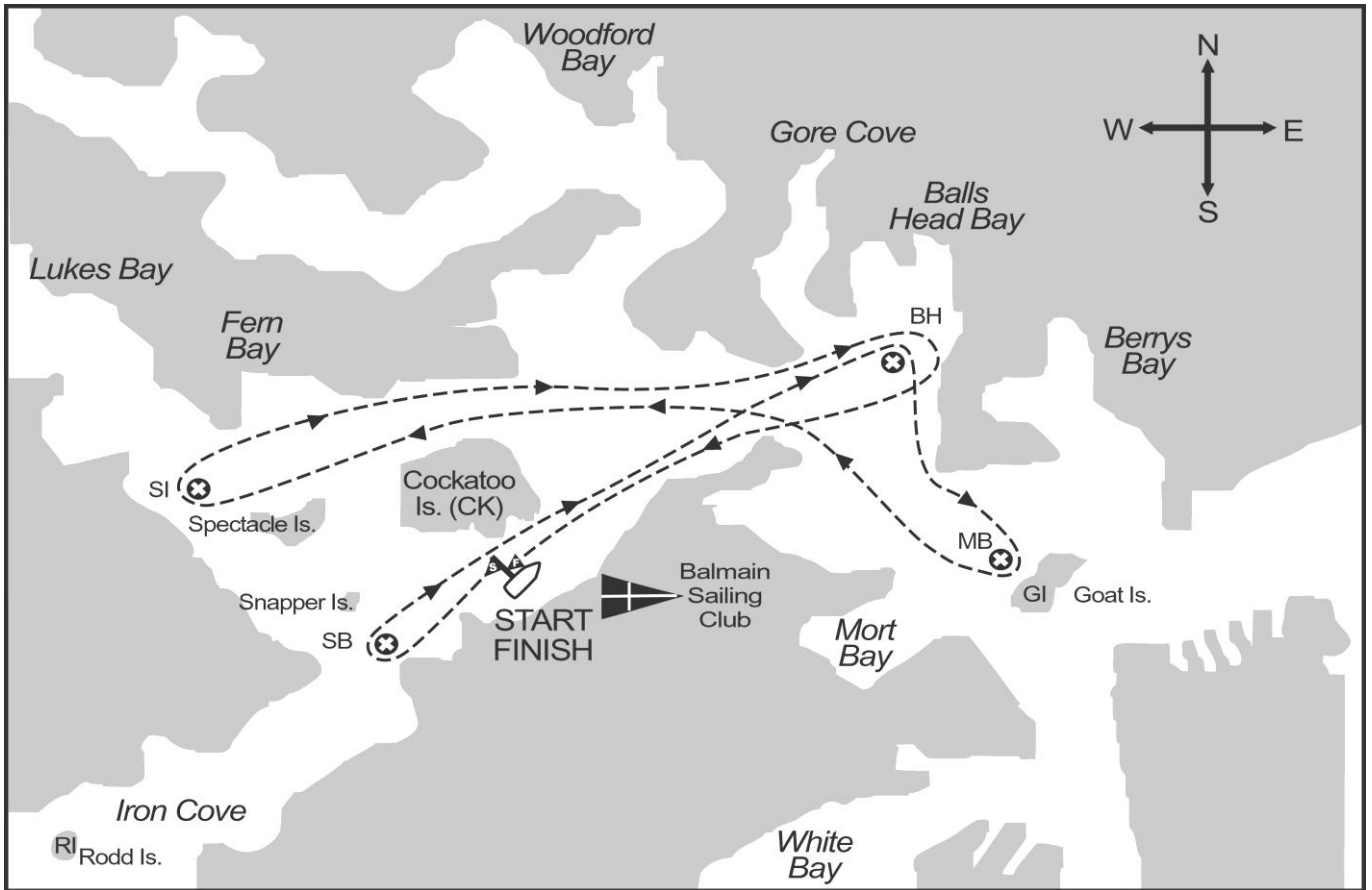
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# Course 3



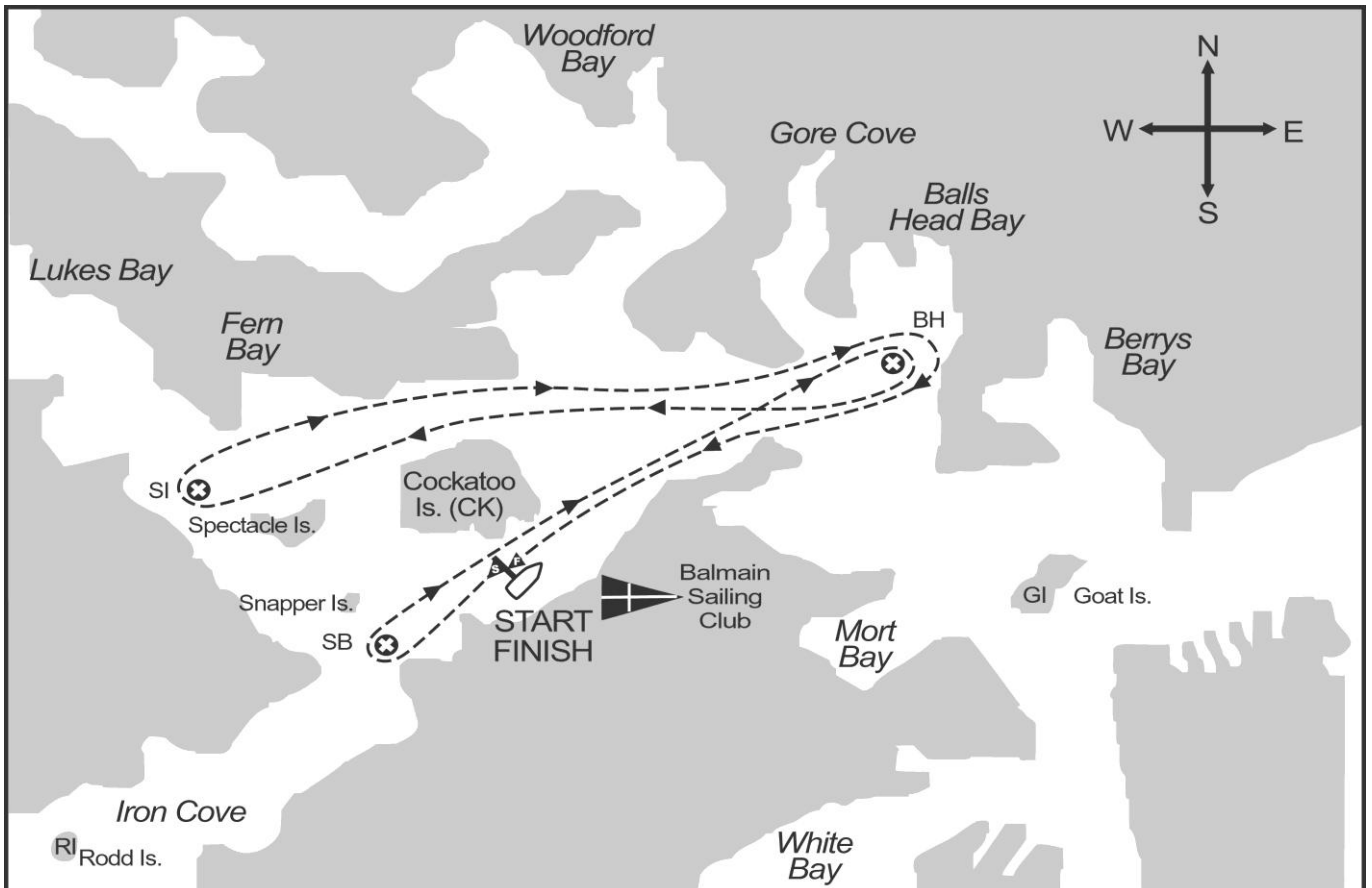
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# Course 4



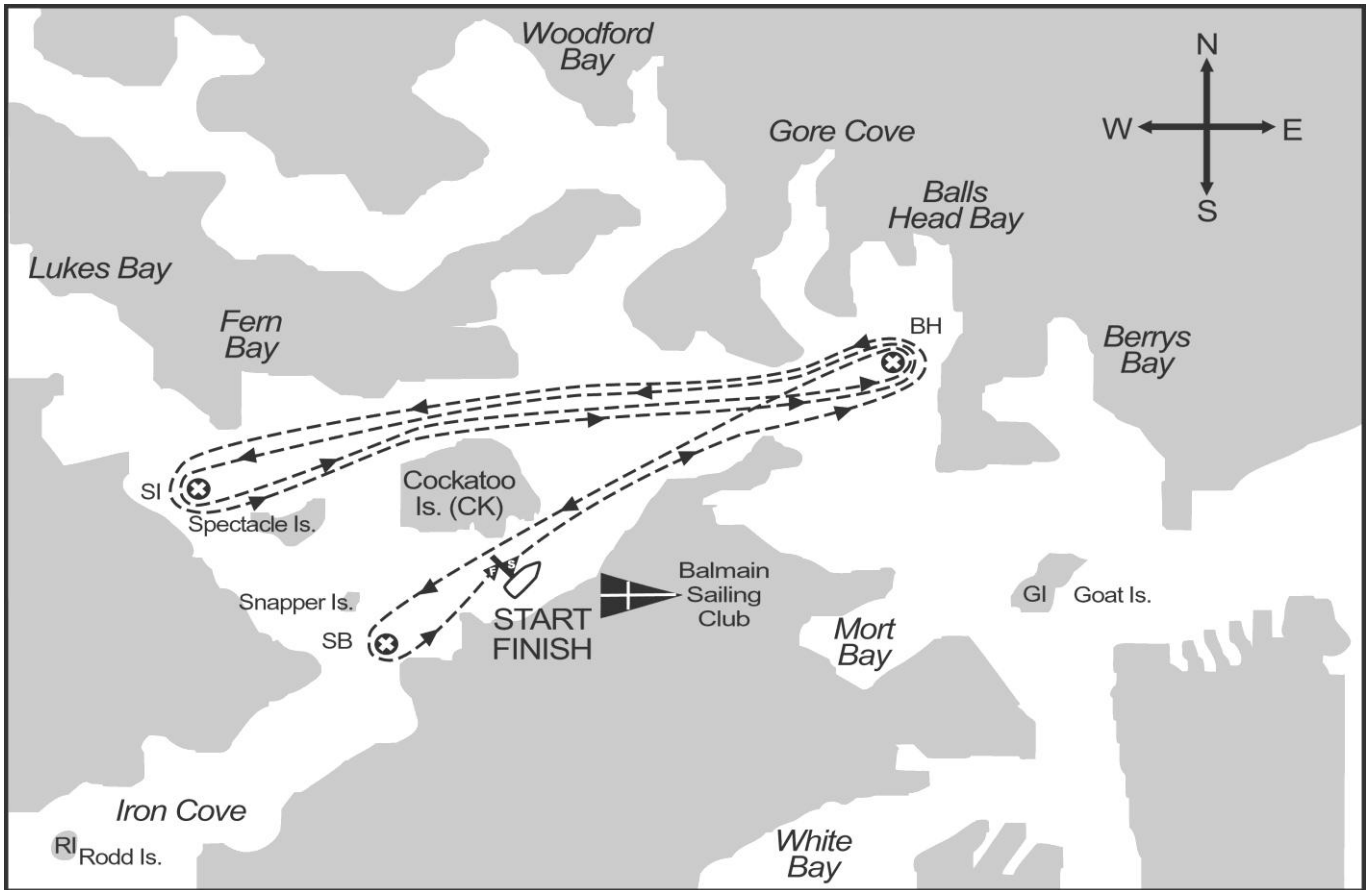
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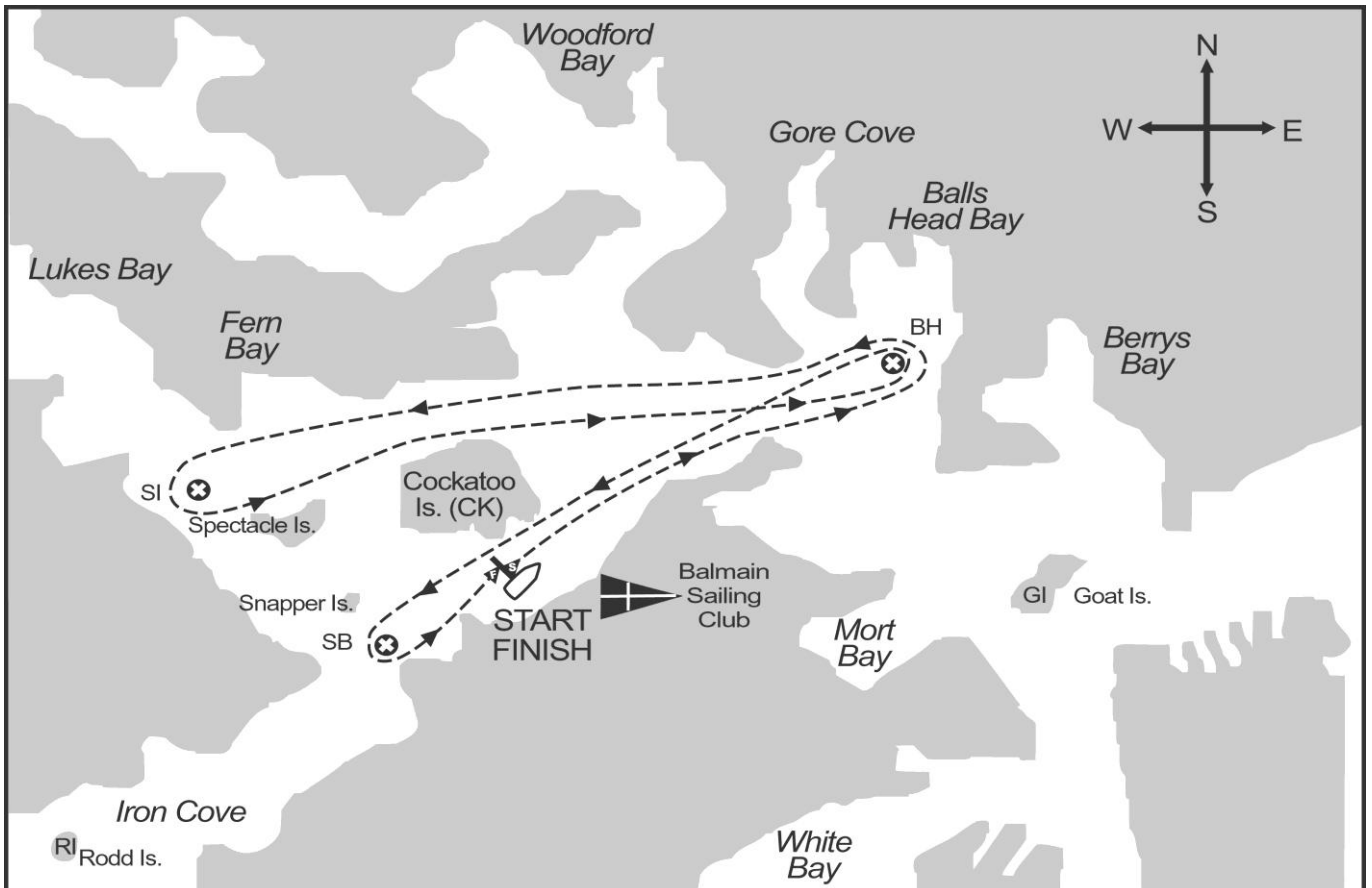
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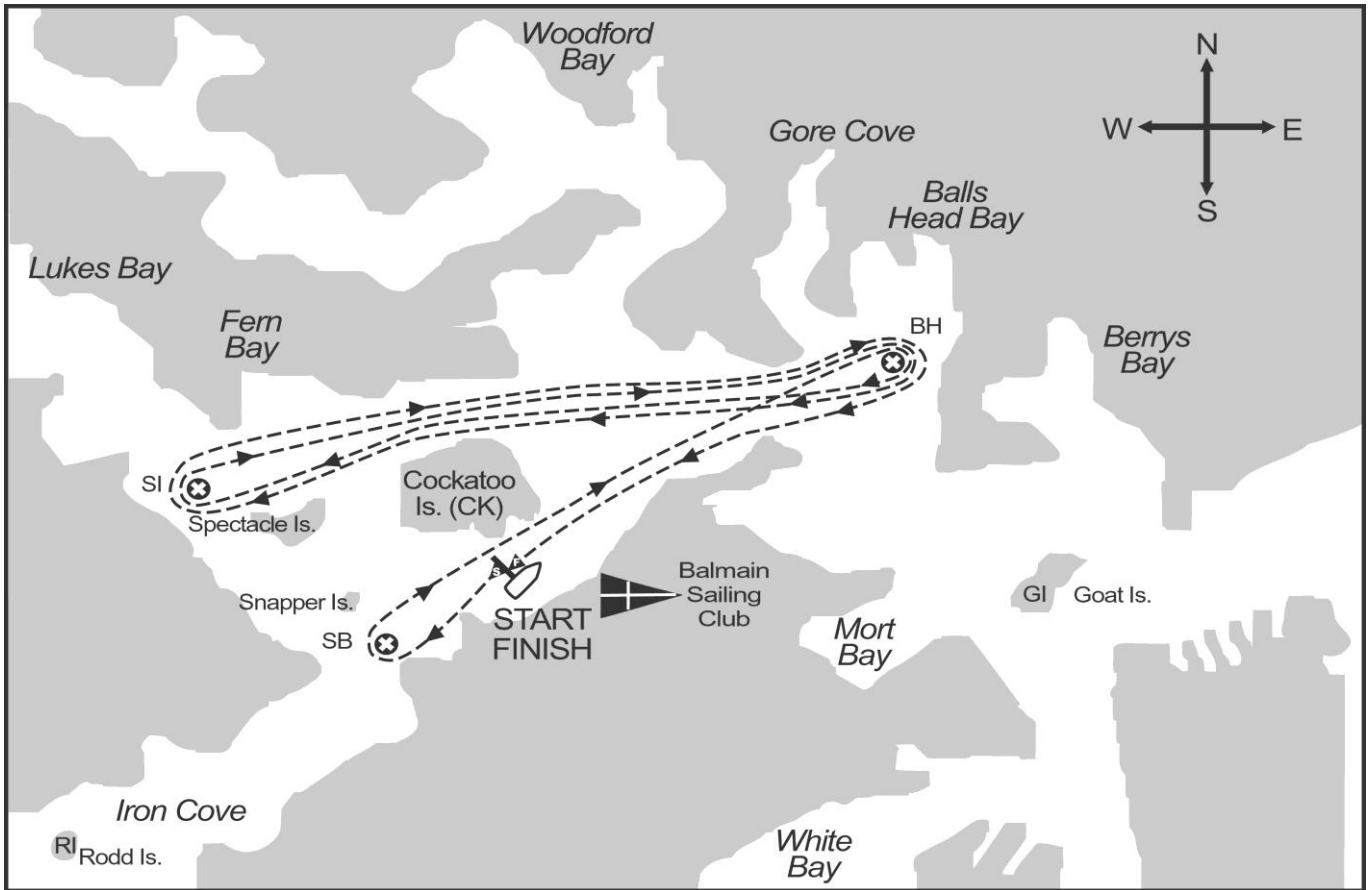
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# Course 6



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