



Notes on Sydney Transport 2025 B14 World Championship



Sydney Harbour is a great place to sail and contrary to popular belief it's easy to avoid the ferries and the occasional cruise ship. Woollahra Sailing Club (WSC) is a great venue and has been vastly improved by widening of the launch ramp. And of course there are lots of interesting things to do in and around Sydney. The only drawback to summer in Sydney is traffic and mediocre public transport. On the positive side, most Sydney-siders are on holidays for 2 or 3 weeks after Christmas which means that the roads will be less busy.

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Modes of transport (see Eastern Suburbs transport map):

- Car:** Plenty of car rental in Sydney ranging from international brands such as Avis and Europcar to local operators. Rates start at about AUD\$70 per day for a small car. There is a public carpark adjacent to WSC and additional parking in surrounding side-streets. Be careful of parking restrictions - signs can be complicated and the fines are high. Parking near your accommodation can be a problem—some hotels provide paid or free parking, some do not. Street parking is particularly difficult around Bondi Beach and Kings Cross. New South Head Rd is the main thoroughfare between the city and WSC. Driving to WSC from the city takes about 20 minutes and about 10 minutes from Bondi.
- Bus:** Routes 324 and 325 from the city and route 323 from Edgecliff Station follow New South Head Rd and pass close-by to WSC. From Bondi Junction take route 386 to corner Dover St and New South Head Rd, then 5 minute walk to WSC. From Bondi Beach (north) take route 323 to corner Dover St and New South Head Rd, then 5 minute walk to WSC.
- Train:** Eastern Suburbs rail line connects to the rest of the network at Town Hall, then stops at Martin Place, Kings Cross, Edgecliff and Bondi Junction; bus route 386 from Bondi Junction to WSC.
- Ferry:** Service F9 runs frequently between Circular Quay and Rose Bay wharf (100 metres from WSC), then on to Watsons Bay wharf. Services from Manly, western suburbs and North Shore all terminate at Circular Quay.
- Bicycle:** Easy cycling around Eastern Suburbs particularly between Bondi Beach and WSC, however not much in the way of cycle paths.