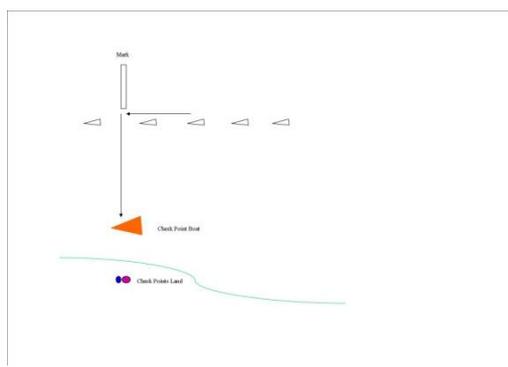


# How to Check Point

- You will need two people to be able to do a check point correctly.
- You will need a pair of binoculars and a pencil to write down times. (pencils are provided)
- If you have a land based check point some chairs are handy and something to drink and eat as you are out for a few hours.
- Collect your Check Point Bags from the office/bar on Saturday morning. If it is a Teams' Event and you have a land based mark, the courier boat will drop the bags off at the CYC fuel jetty and will pick them up from there also. If you have a water based mark, the courier boat will bring your bag to your boat and collect from there.
- In the Bags are a stop watch set correctly for the race you are timing - **do not change its time**. There will be a time sheet and instruction on how to line up your check point. You need to read these before proceeding to your checkpoint. A photograph of your Check Point is provided for you. There may be other items in the bag including a tape recorder. Please begin taping your checkpoint as soon as you begin to see the boats, and do not stop recording until the last boat has finished the last round. This will help clarify any discrepancies when doing the results.
- Position yourself at 90 degrees to the mark you are checking. Check the map you are provided with and the instructions you get for lining up the mark. Some of the photos are quite old! If you are marking in a boat it is good to be at least 100m to 200m if possible from the mark. This is because the wake from the boats can make it uncomfortable.



- At the required time start the tape record - you now should be ready to start recording the times of the boats as they pass your check point.
- As a boat approaches the mark you should note the race number and name of that boat. The race number is a large black 3 digit number on a yellow board usually on the bow rail or side of the boat. (Not the boat registration)
- The time keeper should confirm the approaching boat is on the list - if not write it down at bottom of list. As the boat approaches the time keeper should start calling out the time with minute and seconds eg the minute is 36 17, 18, 19, 20, 21
- As the boat passes the mark the spotter should note the time and then tell the timer - Boat 314, 36 minutes 20 seconds so the timer can record it on the sheet. Measure the time from the front of the boat not the bow spit.



If a boat's number or the mark is blocked do not guess the time. Write Number Blocked and they will average that mark.