



## The Antigua & Barbuda Yachting & Marine Association

SERVICING THE YACHTING VISITORS AND THE MARINE INDUSTRY IN ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA

### **Collection of Economic Impact Study Data began during Antigua Charter Yacht Show**

The Antigua and Barbuda Yachting and Marine Association (ABYMA) is thrilled to announce the launch of its Economic Impact Study designed to assess the significance of the yachting sector in Antigua and Barbuda. This start of data collection coincided with the Antigua Charter Yacht Show, emphasizing the importance of understanding the economic contributions of the marine industry to our nation.

Bobby Reis, Vice President of the ABMYA says, “The primary aim of the study is to measure and analyze the economic significance of the yachting industry in Antigua and Barbuda. This output will empower industry stakeholders to not only comprehend vital economic data but to also leverage this information to enhance future revenue potential. “

The research will include comprehensive assessments of the consumer side, focusing on various sectors visiting Antigua—from super yachts and sailing vessels to racing & cruising yachts and fishing charters. Furthermore, the study will examine the supply side, evaluating the companies that support the industry and significantly contribute to the local economy. This includes assessing both the direct and indirect economic impacts to gain a holistic understanding of the yachting sector's multiplier effect on our economy.

As part of the initiative, participants are also encouraged to give feedback on the industry along with the opportunity to suggest ways in which the visitor experience can be improved. The study is being conducted by consultants Eco-Sustainability and will span a period of 10 months to successfully collate and analyze the necessary data.

We invite all visiting yachtsmen to participate in the survey, as the more feedback we receive, the more accurate and valuable the data will be. This information is crucial for informing future policies and actions that support the growth and sustainability of the industry.

The ABYMA would like to thank partners in the project, Antigua & Barbuda Tourism Authority, Falmouth Harbour Marina, Antigua Superyacht Marina, Budget Marine, Falmouth Ocean Club & Seagull Inflatables.

For more information or to participate in the survey, please visit [ABYMA.ag/eis](https://abyma.ag/eis)



## WHAT IS YACHTING WORTH?

The Antigua and Barbuda Yachting and Marine Association is studying the economic benefits of the yachting and marine industry. This will help the industry and government with policy and planning in coming years.

For further information contact the study manager.  
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## YOUR INPUT PLEASE

Calling all skippers and owners of racing and cruising yachts, superyachts and charter yachts; Atlantic Rowers; marine adventurers, water sports enthusiasts and interested visitors. Please complete a short survey (using the QR code) to help us understand your time in Antigua.



17 THURS, JANUARY 27, 2026

**SAVE THE DATE**

ABYMA Annual  
General Meeting  
& State of the  
Industry  
Meeting - 6pm

24







# Antigua Yachting and Events Calendar

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## 2025

### OCT

**8 - 9**

ABYMA Discover Yachting & Marine

**24 - 26**

Caribbean Dinghy Championship

**31**

Salty Dawgs Caribbean Rally Start

### NOV

**01**

Independence Day

**08**

Best in the West Fishing Tournament

**21 - 23**

Jolly Harbour Yacht Club Regatta

### DEC

**4 - 9**

Antigua Charter Yacht Show

**12**

The World's Toughest Row

**13 - 21**

Budget Marine Jol Byerly Hightide Series

**25**

Nelson's Dockyard Christmas Day Champagne Party

**26**

Boxing Day Barrel

**31**

Nelson's Pursuit Race

Nelson's Dockyard Old Year's Night

## 2026

### JAN

**11**

RORC Transatlantic Start

**16 - 18**

Antigua Yacht Club RS Elite Small Keelboat Regatta

**18**

Oyster World Rally Start

**24**

Antigua Yacht Club Sandy Island Race

### FEB

**14 - 15**

Jolly Harbour Valentine's Regatta

**17 - 20**

RORC Nelson's Cup Series

**23 - 27**

RORC Caribbean 600

### EVERY WEEK YEAR ROUND

Seafood Friday, Nelson's Dockyard

Saturday Sailing  
Antigua Yacht Club  
Jolly Harbour Yacht Club

Sunday Sunset Party  
Shirley Heights Lookout



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### MAR

**3 - 8**

Antigua Superyacht Challenge

**14 - 15**

Antigua Yacht Club Carlisle Bay Weekend

**20**

Mini Globe Race Prize Giving

**20 - 21**

Budget Marine ILCA and Optimist Open

**29**

NSA Dinghy Dash

### APR

**9 - 12**

Antigua Racing Cup

**15 - 20**

Antigua Classic Yacht Regatta

**22 - 26**

Antigua Sailing Week

**29**

Antigua to Bermuda Race

### MAY

**20 - 22**

Mikie Pigott Jr. Memorial Classic

**23 - 24**

Antigua & Barbuda Sport Fishing Tournament

ANTIGUA  
AND BARBUDA  
*The beach is just the beginning.*