



**The 52nd
FOLKBOAT WEEK 2017**



NOTICE OF RACE

Saturday 19th August to
Saturday 26th August 2017

**ORGANISED BY
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*The Commodore and Committee welcome you to
Yarmouth and wish you an exciting and enjoyable Regatta.*

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Abbreviations:

RRS: Racing Rules of Sailing

NFIA: Nordic Folkboat International Association Rules

UKRR: U.K Class Rules and Regulations.

RSYC: Royal Solent Yacht Club.

TCF: Time Correction Factor.

1. **Organising Authority.**

1.1 The Organising Authority is the Royal Solent Yacht Club.

2 **The Rules**

2.1 The Event will be governed by the Rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020, this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.

2.2 The Following RRS are changed:

2.2.1 The Protest Committee may decide the penalty for breaches of any Rule, other than a rule of RRS Parts 1 and 2. This modifies RRS 64.1(a).

2.2.2 RRS 35 (time limits) will be changed by the Sailing Instructions.

2.2.3 RRS 28.1 is modified by the addition of :-

‘The race committee may disqualify (DSQ) without a hearing a boat that has broken this rule but only when two members of the race committee have seen the incident. The boat so disqualified will be informed by notification in the race results and may in addition be informed by VHF Radio.

2.2.4 RRS regarding penalties is changed by paragraph 10 below.

2.2.5 RRS 63.7 is changed: In the Event of conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

2.2.6 Scoring will be in accordance with RRS low points system as changed by paragraph 9 below.

3. **Class Rules**

3.1 The Nordic Folkboat International Association Rules and UK Class Rules and Regulations shall apply, except that there shall be no penalty for a breach of NFIA Class Rule 13.10 (Crew Limitation) or of NFIA Class Rule 8.20 (headsail furling) and Folkboats are permitted to use spinnakers as per UK Class Regulation Part 11 1.4

3.2 UKRR 3.2 (eligibility) is modified by paragraph 5.7 below.

3.3 The Sailing Instructions may make further permitted changes to the RRS and Class Rules.

4 **Advertising**

4.1 Advertising is **not** required by the Organising Authority.

5. **Eligibility and Entry**

5.1 Racing will be in two divisions: **Open and Cruiser.**

5.1.1 **Open Division**

Eligible One Design Nordic Folkboats are invited to enter the Open Division. Yachts in this Division are level rated.

5.1.2 **Cruiser Division**

Eligible Folkboats that have either an inboard engine and propeller or a transom hung out board engine and are fitted for coastal cruising are invited to enter the Cruiser Division. **Out board engines shall not be raised when racing.** A TCF rating system will apply.

5.1.3 The TCF to be applied will be decided by a measurer appointed by the Race Committee on the basis of information supplied on the entry form. The Race Committee may adjust the TCF at any time during the Regatta and this adjustment may be retrospectively applied. The decision of the Race Committee on the handicap for Cruiser Division entries is final.

5.4 Classes may be combined at the discretion of the Principal Race Officer.

5.5 Entries should be made online or on the Entry Form, which together with the appropriate entry fee shall have been received by The Royal Solent Yacht Club no later than 14th August 2017.

5.6 **All helmsmen must be Full or Associate Members of the UK Class Association and shall have paid their subscriptions for 2017.**

5.7 Breaches of UKRR 3.2 (eligibility) may be waived at the discretion of the Race Committee.

5.8 **All boats shall have, for the duration of the Event adequate insurance cover and in particular shall have insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least £3,000,000 (three million pounds sterling) or the equivalent.**

6 **Schedule of Races.**

6.1 Racing will be as per Appendix 1.

7 **Venue and Course Area**

7.1 The venue will be RSYC, Yarmouth, Isle of Wight, PO41 0NS.

7.2 Racing will be in the Western Solent and may include the Western Approaches to the Solent and Christchurch Bay.

8 **Sailing Instructions**

8.1 Sailing instructions will be available on the RSYC website: www.royalsolent.org or from RSYC Sailing Office, not later than July.

9 **Scoring system**

9.1 The minimum number of races to constitute a series is 2.

9.2 Scoring will be in accordance with RRS Low Points System Appendix A as amended below:

9.2.1 If 5 or more races are completed a boats worst score will be discarded (unless RRS 90.3(b) applies).

9.2.2 The score for a boat that does not come to the starting area (DNC) will be decided by the Race Committee. This changes RRS Appendix A9.

10 **Penalty System**

10.1 The Two Turn Penalty is modified to a One Turn Penalty, only one turn, including one tack and one gybe in the same direction, is required. This changes RRS 44.1 & 2.

10.2 Exoneration Penalty.

A boat that may have broken a rule of RRS Part 2, or RRS 31 may, after finishing the race concerned and before the start of a related protest hearing, notify the Race Committee that she accepts a 20% scoring penalty as stated in RRS 44.3(c), (except that the minimum penalty is two places if that does not result in a score worse than DNF). This penalty does not reverse an OCS score, a disqualification under RRS 30.3 or a penalty under RRS Appendix P

It is not available for a breach of RRS 2 or of class rules or for gross misconduct under RRS 69. Nor is it available to a boat that caused injury or serious damage, or gained a significant advantage by her breach: in these circumstances, her penalty is to retire.

10.3 When an Exoneration Penalty is accepted:

- a). Neither the boat nor a Protest Committee may then revoke or remove the penalty.
- b). The boat shall not be penalized further in a protest hearing when the Protest Committee decides that it was appropriate to the facts found and the applicable rule.

10.4 For breaches of any rule, other than a rule of RRS Parts 1 and 2, the Protest Committee may decide the penalty.

11 **Safety Regulations**

The following equipment shall be on board while racing:

- A suitable anchor of not less than 12kg OR a suitable anchor of not less than 6kg together with chain attached to it making a total weight of not less than 12k, alternatively, a suitable aluminium anchor of not less than 4.5 kg together with chain attached totalling not less than 12 kg.
- Not less than 25m of anchor rope. Material shall be synthetic of a diameter not less than 12mm or woven band of a width not less than 25mm of same breaking load. If chain is attached to the anchor rope, its length may be included.
- Two mooring lines with a total length of not less than 20 m and a diameter of not less than 12mm.
- One manual bilge pump, permanently installed. Electrical bilge pump with battery may be installed but shall not be included in the boat weight.
- A Personal Flotation Device (PFD) with minimum buoyancy of 50 Newton shall be carried for each person on board. Each PFD shall be either of compressed gas automatically inflatable, or of the permanently buoyant type, or a combination of both. (Recommendation: the PFD should be of brightly clearly visible colour, when immersed in water.)
- One oar or paddle not less than 1.4m long.
- One rigid bucket min. capacity: 9 litres.
- Two lifting eyes shall be attached to the keel, keel bolts or the sides or undersides of the floor timbers. The weight of each lifting eye shall not exceed 3kg.
- Lifebuoy with drogue and buoyant line.
- In-date easily accessible suitable fire extinguisher.
- In-date distress flares, comprising 2 red and 2 orange smoke.
- Readily accessible knife.
- The last 4 items above shall be to the standard recommended by the RYA or appropriate for local conditions.

12 **RISK STATEMENT**

12.1 Rule 4 of the RRS states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.” Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk

- whilst taking part in the event;
- b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
 - c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
 - d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
 - e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by RSYC does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
 - f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
 - g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to the venue or event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.
 - h) For offshore races, they are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and is familiar to the crew.

13 INSPECTIONS

The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.

14 INSURANCE

All boats shall have for the duration of the Regatta adequate insurance cover and in particular shall have insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least £3,000,000 or the equivalent.

15 PRIZES

- 15.1 There will be a daily Prize Giving for Open and Cruiser Divisions.
- 15.2 Keeper Prizes, sponsored by Lymington Yacht Haven, will be awarded for both Divisions.
- 16.3 The following trophies will be awarded:
 - The NFIA trophy** for the overall winner in the Open Division and Keeper Prizes for overall 1st, 2nd and 3rd.
 - Engined Boat Trophy** for the best overall result in the Cruiser Division and Keeper prizes for overall 1st and 2nd .
 - Lymington Yacht Haven Trophy** will be awarded for first Open Division boat in the Long Solent Race (Monday 21st).
 - Colin Grey Trophy** will be awarded for the first Cruiser Division boat in the Long Solent Race (Monday 21st).
 - Scanyacht Nordic Plaque** will be awarded to the overall winner of Trophy Races 1 & 2 on Sunday 20th August in the Open Division.
 - Scanyacht Rose Bowl** will be awarded to the overall winner of Trophy Races 1 & 2 on Sunday 20th August in the Cruiser Division.
 - The Ratsey & Laphorn Trophy** will be awarded for the best overall result in the three Windward/Leeward Races on Thursday 24th August in the Open Division.

The Lymington Yacht Haven Tankard will be awarded for the best overall result in the two Windward/Leeward Races on Thursday 24th August in the Cruiser Division.

Alan Davis Salver will be awarded to the boat in the Open Division with the best result in the Christchurch Ledge Race on Friday 25th August.

Jack Riddle Challenge Cup to be awarded to the boat in the Cruiser Division with the best result in the Christchurch Ledge Race on Friday 25th August.

Wyvern Batt Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner in the Trophy Race on Tuesday 22nd August in the Open Division.

Tomic Trophy to be awarded to the overall winner in the Trophy Race on Tuesday 22nd August in the Cruiser Division.

Ylva of Wight Viking Trophy. A trophy presented by Tony and Chrissie Saunders to the helm or crew aged under 30 years nominated as best all rounder.

The Bernard Turner Trophy to be awarded to the winner of the Bernard Turner Points Race .

TROPHIES - Awarded for events other than this regatta:

Red Lion Cleat for the first Nordic boat in the Round the Island Race Folkboat Division.

Winchester Measures for the first boat in the Round the Island Race IRC Division.

Burnett Cup for the first Folkboat in the Royal Solent Regatta.

NB: Holders of trophies are reminded that they are responsible for the safe keeping and insurance of any Association trophies whilst in their possession and for the return of trophies before the next Regatta.

11 General Information.

- 11.1 Discounted Moorings for Folkboats and Nanny Boats must be booked online or by completing a paper entry form. Code Flag "F" should be worn in a conspicuous position in the rigging to indicate you are taking part in the Regatta. Please follow the instructions of the Harbour Master.
- 11.2 Please note the Royal Solent Yacht Club cannot accept responsibility for private property left on the premises.
- 11.3 The Flag Officers and Members of the Royal Solent Yacht Club extend a warm welcome to Members of the Folkboat Association as visitors to the Club. You are requested to sign and enter your name and address in the Visitors' Book, situated at the top of the stairs and should acquaint yourselves with the rules of the Royal Solent Yacht Club particularly those concerning dress.

App 1 FOLKBOAT WEEK 2017 - RACES

EVENT	DATE AUGUST	HW Ports BST	RACES	START TIME	TIME LIMIT
1/2	Sunday 20th	11:00	Briefing at RSYC Trophy Races ~ Two races OD & CD Back to Back Race 1 Pts1/2: OD Scanyacht Nordic Plaque Pts1/2: CD Scanyacht Rose Bowl	09:00 Not before 10:30	2.5 hours after valid start time per race
3	Monday 21st	11:48	Long Solent Pts3:OD~Lymington Yacht Haven Trophy Pts3:CD~Colin Grey Trophy	Not before 10.30	6 hours after valid start time
4	Tuesday 22nd	12:33	AM: Trophy Race Pts 4: OD ~ Wyvern Batt Trophy Pts 4: CD ~ Tomic Trophy PM: Ladies Race back to back With The Crew's Race	Not before 10:00 Not before 14:30	2 hours after valid start time 1.5 hours after the valid start time per race
	Wednesday 23rd		Spare Day		
5/6/7 OD 5/6 CD	Thursday 24th	14:06	Pts 5/6/7/ OD Three Windward / Leeward Back to Back. Ratsey & Laphorn Trophy Pts 5/6 CD Two Windward / Leeward Back to Back.	Not before 10.00	2 Hours after the valid start time per race or 30 mins after 1st finisher
8 OD 7 CD	Friday 25th	14:53	Christchurch Ledge Race Pts 5: OD-Alan Davis Salver Pts 5: CD-Jack Riddle Trophy	Not before 10:30	6 hours after valid start time
9 OD 8 CD	Saturday 26th	15:36	The Bernard Turner Points Race Points Race Pts 9:OD Pts8.CD	Not before 10:30	3 hours after valid start time
<p>Notes: Cruiser Division boats start TEN MINUTES AFTER the Open Division Except for races 5 & 6 in the Cruiser Division which will be FIVE MINUTES AFTER the Open Division. Abbreviations:- CD ~ Cruiser Division OD ~ Open Division All starts from Committee Boat in Bouldnor Bay area unless otherwise advised. The Race Committee reserves the right to change the schedule of races.</p>					

FOLKBOAT WEEK 2017 - SOCIAL EVENTS

DATE AUGUST	TIME	SOCIAL EVENTS	
Saturday 19th	19:00 for 19:30	Folkboat Welcome Drinks & Supper at RSYC Supported by Lymington Yacht Haven	
Sunday 20th	09:00 19:00 19:00 for 19:30	Briefing at RSYC Prize Giving at RSYC Spit Roast Lamb BBQ at RSYC	
Monday 21st	19:30	Garden Party & Prize Giving at Grants Supported by Lymington Yacht Haven	
Tuesday 22nd	19:00 19:30	Prize Giving at RSYC Quiz & Italian Night at RSYC	
Wednesday 23rd	18.30 19.30	Drinks at Stroud House, courtesy of Jeremy Willcock and Sarah Finch. Supper at The Piano Bar, Freshwater Bay, transport provided from RSYC	
Thursday 24th	18:30 19:30	South Coast AGM at RSYC Prize Giving followed by Spanish Night at RSYC	
Friday 25th	18:00 19:30 19:45	Folkboat Happy Hour Prize Giving at RSYC Fish and Chip Supper at the RSYC	
Saturday 26th	19:00 for 19:30	End of Regatta Drinks, Dinner & Prize Giving at RSYC, Supported by Lymington Yacht Haven Bar Open until 23:45	