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NOTICE OF RACE
for
THE TAITTINGER
ROYAL SOLENT YACHT CLUB
REGATTA
2015

Saturday 25th July
and
Sunday 26th July

To include on Saturday 25th July
The IRC Solent Region Championship: Day 4



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The Flag Officers and Members of the Royal Solent Yacht Club extend a warm welcome to competitors as visitors to the Club. They are requested to sign and enter their name and address in the Visitors' Book situated in the upstairs hall and should acquaint themselves with the rules of the Royal Solent Yacht Club particularly those concerning dress.

The Royal Solent Yacht Club Taittinger Regatta

Saturday 25th & Sunday 26th July 2015

NOTICE OF RACE

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

1.1 The organising authority is the Royal Solent Yacht Club.

2. RULES

2.1 The regatta will be governed by the current rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

2.2 Racing rules will be changed as follows: rule 35, Time Limits; rules 44.1 and 44.2 penalty turns. The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.

2.3 Appendix A2 will be amended

2.4 ISAF Offshore Special Regulations Category 4 shall apply to all IRC boats, with the exception of OSR 4.26.4 (c) and (g) (compulsory trysails) for all boats and OSR 3.14 (lifelines, stanchions and pulpits) for Classic Cruisers.

2.5 IRC Rule 22.4 shall not apply. There are no limitations on crew number or weight.

2.6 RRS 52, Manual Power, shall not apply.

2.7 Regulation 2.0 & 2.1 of the UK Folkboat Association shall apply and Folkboats are permitted to use spinnakers as permitted by Class Rule 9.01.

2.8 With the permission of the IRC Rating Authority, IRC Rule 8.2 is modified to include GBR boats holding Limited Validity IRC TCCs in the following classes Classic Cruisers and all IRC Classes.

3. ADVERTISING

3.1 Boats may carry advertising as allowed by the ISAF advertising code unless their class rules further restrict what may be carried.

3.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the following classes: Swan, Swan Classic, XOD, YOD, Folkboat, Contessa, J24, IRC yachts, IRC Classic Cruisers, Gaffers, Vipers, VX1 and an RYA National Handicap for Cruiser Class.

4.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online booking system on the Royal Solent Yacht Club website at www.royalsolent.org, by Thursday 23rd July 2015.

4.3 Racing may not take place for classes with less than 6 entries, in which case entry fees will be refunded or classes amalgamated.

4.4 Other One Design classes that have more than 6 entries may be offered their own start at the discretion of the Race Committee.

4.5 IRC boats entered for the IRC Solent Series 2015 Day 4 may enter for the Sunday 26th July through the Taittinger RSYC Online Entry system and paying an **additional £15 entry fee**.

5. FEES

5.1 Required entry fees are as follows:

	Pre June 21 st (with 50% discount)	22 nd June to 19 th July	Post 19 th July LATE ENTRY
Day Boat Entry XOD, YOD, Folkboat, Viper & VX1	£22	£44	£55
Keelboat Entry All other classes	£44	£88	£110

5.2 **Race entry fees received by midnight 21st June 2015 will be discounted by 50%.**

5.3 Entries close on the 19th July 2015; late entries *may* be considered and incur a financial penalty. LATE ENTRY fees shown in table above.

6. SCHEDULE

6.1 Each class, except the Gaffer Class, are scheduled to have two races on Saturday and one race on Sunday. Gaffers will have one race on Saturday and one race on Sunday.

6.2 If one or both races on Saturday are not run a second race may be run on Sunday. If the Committee decide to attempt a second Sunday race a notice will be placed on the notice board no later than 19:00hrs the previous day.

6.3 Racing on Saturday and Sunday will not start before 10:00hrs.

7. MEASUREMENTS & HANDICAPS.

7.1 Each boat in IRC Handicap, Swan Classic and Classic Cruiser classes shall produce a copy of a current IRC rating certificate with their entry. Updated certificates will be accepted up to 17:00hrs on Thursday 23rd July 2015.

7.2 RYA National Handicap for Cruiser Class entrants should provide to the on line entry system the details required for the handicap to be calculated. Handicaps will be modified after each race.

7.3 Gaffer Class results will be corrected using OGA TCFs. Boats entering this class should provide their OGA Handicap on their entry form. If handicap is not known, an OGA form can be requested on the on line entry form.

7.4 A list of all the handicaps will be available on the RSYC web site prior to the Regatta

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

8.1 The Sailing Instructions will be e-mailed to entrants on or about the 30th June 2015 and can be found on the RSYC web site www.royalsolent.org. Late entries must collect Sailing Instructions from the Royal Solent Yacht Club office before racing. **Sailing Instructions will NOT be available from the Committee Boat on the day.**

9. THE COURSES

9.1 Racing will be in the Western Solent and the Western Approaches to the Solent.

10. SCORING

10.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

10.2 The Low Points scoring system will be used except that Appendix A2 is amended in that there will be no discard.

11. RADIO COMMUNICATION

11.1 Radio communication to Black Group competitors and White Group competitors will be confirmed in the Sailing Instructions.

11.2 Transmissions to the Race Committee should be in emergency only and non-emergency signals may not be answered.

11.3 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions while racing that are not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

12. PRIZES

12.1 Prizes for each class will be presented at the Prize Giving on Sunday 26th July at the Royal Solent Yacht Club.

12.2 A bottle of Taittinger Champagne will be awarded to each overall class winner.

12.3 A Jeroboam of Taittinger will be awarded to the Overall Winner of the Regatta.

12.4 The first XOD Race on Saturday will count as an Allot Cup Race and the Second race as Persephone 2. The Sunday XOD Race will count as an Allott Cup Race.

13. RISK STATEMENT.

13.1 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 the race organiser 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) 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 .

14. INSURANCE

14.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2 million sterling or the equivalent.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 15.1 For further information, please contact the Royal Solent Yacht Club during business hours on 01983 760256 or at www.royalsolent.org
- 15.2 Entrants requiring **harbour berths should book via the online booking system**, however if you need more information on harbour facilities please contact them directly;

Telephone: 01983 760321.

Website: www.yarmouth-harbour.co.uk

Email: info@yarmouth-harbour.co.uk

16. SOCIAL EVENTS

- 16.1 Taittinger Champagne Reception on Friday 24th July at 18:30hrs; apply for tickets with the Regatta entry Form.
- 16.2 The Charity Towers Party on Saturday 25th July at 20:00hrs; apply for tickets with the Regatta entry Form.
- 16.3 All Regatta Social Bookings should be made via the online booking system.

17. CREW MERCHANDISE

- 17.1 Branded Taittinger Regatta polo shirts may be purchased *in advance* through the online booking system. Two types of polo shirts are available for pre-order;
- Turquoise 'Taittinger Regatta 2015' Polo Shirts, with boat name.
 - White 'Taittinger Regatta 2015' Polo Shirts – as above – but with a list of all entrants – registered by the 1st July - printed on the back.

All pre-ordered Polo Shirts will be available for collection at registration on Friday 24th July. Please see online booking for further information regarding merchandise, including last ordering date, sizing and costs.

All merchandise *must* be pre-ordered and WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE AT THE EVENT.