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NOTICE OF RACE

For

THE TAITTINGER ROYAL SOLENT YACHT CLUB REGATTA 2017

IN ASSOCIATION WITH CHARLES STANLEY

Saturday 15th July And Sunday 16th July

To include
The IRC Solent Region Championship Series 3

Supported By





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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.

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Abbreviations:

RSYC: Royal Solent Yacht Club RRS: Racing Rules of Sailing

OSR: World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations NFIA: Nordic Folkboat International Association UKFCA: U.K Folkboat Class Association

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

1.1 The organising authority is the Royal Solent Yacht Club.

2. RULES

- 2.1 Racing will be governed by the Rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020(including the Racing Charter), this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.2 The following RRS are changed:
- 2.2.1 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.
- 2.2.2 RRS 52, Manual Power, shall not apply.
- 2.2.3 RRS 35, Time Limits, will be changed by the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.2.4 RRS 90.3 and Appendix A 2 is amended by 11.2 below; there will be no discard.
- 2.2.5 The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 2.2.6 In the event of conflict between this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.

3. **REGULATIONS**

- 3.1 World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations 2016-2017 Category 4 (monohulls) shall apply to all Classes, except day boats, with the following amendments:
- 3.1.1. OSR 4.26. is amended to the extent that no Class shall be required to carry storm/trysails
- 3.1.2. OSR 3.14 (lifelines, stanchions and pulpits) shall not apply to IRC Classic Cruiser or IRC Swan.

4. CLASS RULES

- 4.1 Boats shall comply with their class rules except as changed herein or by the Sailing Instructions.
- **4.1.1** There will be no penalty for Folkboats that do not comply with NFIA Rule 13.10 (Crew Limitations).
- 4.1.2. Folkboats are permitted to use spinnakers as per UK Folkboat Association Class Racing Regulation Part II 1.4.
- 4.1.3 IRC Rule 22.4. shall not apply. There are no limitations on crew number or weight for IRC Classes.
- 4.14 All boats shall carry an operational VHF radio. Any Class Rule prohibiting the carrying of VHF radios is changed by this paragraph.

5. ADVERTISING

- 5.1 Boats may carry advertising as allowed by World Sailing advertising code unless their class rules further restrict what may be carried.
- 5.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

6. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 6.1 The Regatta is open to boats of the following classes:
- 6.1.1 IRC [Ratings from 0.780 to 1.360]
- 6.1.2 IRC Swan
- 6.1.3 IRC Classic Cruiser [Defined as Monohull designed & built for recreational purposes in wood or steel to a pre-1970 design].
- 6.1.4 RYA National Handicap for Cruisers (TCF will be calculated in accordance with NHC base handicap but will not be modified during the Regatta)
- 6.1.5 Gaffer Association Handicap Class
- 6.1.6 One Design Classes: XOD, YOD, Contessa 32, J24, J109, J80, Sigma 38, Diam 24, Folkboat (British or Nordic Folkboats that comply with NFIA and UKFCA Class Regulations and Rules (as changed herein or by the Sailing Instructions; Racing will be level-rated)
- 6.2 Racing will not take place for classes with less than 6 entries, in which case entry fees will be refunded or classes amalgamated at the discretion of the Regatta Committee.
- 6.3 Eligible boats are invited to enter by completing the online booking system on the RSYC website at www.royalsolent.org by midnight on Wednesday 12th July 2016.
- 6.4 Entry fees are as follows:

	EARLY BIRD Until 26 June	STANDARD 27 June to 7 July	LATE 8 to 12 July.
Day Boat Entry XOD/YOD/Folkboat	£26	£50	£62
Keelboat Entry All other classes	£50	£100	£122

6.5 Entries close at midnight on the 12th July 2017; entries after this date may be allowed at the discretion of the Regatta Committee and may incur a financial penalty

7. SCHEDULE

- 7.1 A representative from each boat is requested to attend registration at RSYC on Friday 14th from 1600hrs (alternatively from 08:00-08.30hrs on Saturday 15 July).
- 7.2 A briefing for skippers will be held at RSYC at 08:00hrs on Saturday 15 July.
- 7.3 Each class, except Gaffer Class, is scheduled to have two races on Saturday and one race on Sunday. Gaffer Class will have one race on Saturday and one race on Sunday
- 7.4 If one or both races on Saturday are cancelled a second race may take place on Sunday. Notice of a second race on Sunday will be given by posting a notice on the Regatta Notice Board and on RSYC website not later than 19:00hrs on Saturday 15th July.
- 7.3 Racing on Saturday and Sunday will not start before 10:00hrs or after 15:00 hours on Sunday.

8. MEASUREMENTS & HANDICAPS.

- 8.1 Each boat in IRC, IRC Swan and IRC Classic Cruiser Classes should email to the RSYC Sailing Office (sailing@royalsolent.org) a copy of their current IRC rating certificate on the same day as their entry or as soon as is practicable. Entrants who do not provide a copy of their current rating certificate by midnight on Wednesday 12th July may, at the discretion of the Regatta Committee, be disqualified.
- 8.2 RYA NHC entrants shall provide to the on line entry system at the time of entering or as soon as is practicable the details required for their handicap to be calculated; Entrants who do not provide the required details by midnight on Wednesday 12th July may, at the discretion of the Regatta Committee, be disqualified. Handicaps will not be modified after each race.
- 8.3 Gaffer Class results will be corrected using GA TCFs. Boats entering this class should include their GA TCF on their online entry form, or request a GA handicap application form at the time of entering or as soon as is practicable. Entrants who do not comply with this paragraph by midnight on Wednesday 12th July may, at the discretion of the Regatta Committee, be disqualified.
- 8.4 A list of all handicaps will be available on the RSYC web site and on the Regatta Notice Board prior to the Regatta.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

9.1 The Sailing Instructions will be published on the website not later than 16 June 2017: www.royalsolent.org.Sailing Instructions will NOT be available from the Committee Boat.

10. COURSES

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

11. SCORING

- 11.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.2 The Low Points scoring system will be used except that RRS 90.3 and Appendix A2 is amended in that there will be no discard.

12. VHF RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 12.1 All Classes when racing shall carry an operational VHF radio. Any Class Rule prohibiting the carrying of VHF radios is changed by this paragraph.
- 12.2 Radio communication to Black Group competitors and White Group competitors will be confirmed in the Sailing Instructions.
- 12.3 Except in an emergency, boats shall not, when racing, make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that are not available to all boats of the same class. This restriction also applies to the use of mobile telephones.

13. PRIZES

- 13.1 Prizes for each class will be presented at the Prize Giving after racing on Sunday 16th July at the Royal Solent Yacht Club. The time for vacating Yarmouth Harbour Moorings on Sunday has been extended to 1800hrs.
- 13.2 A bottle of Taittinger Champagne will be awarded to each overall class winner.
- 13.3 A Jeroboam of Taittinger will be awarded to the Overall Winner of the Regatta.
- 13.4 The first XOD Race on Saturday will count as Allot Cup Race 4, and the second as Allot Cup Race 5 and Persephone 2 or if there is no second race, the first and only race will count as Allot Cup Race 4 and Persephone 2. The Sunday XOD Race will count as Allot Cup 4,5 or 6 and as Persephone 2 depending on the number of races completed on Saturday.
- 13.5 Racing on Saturday and Sunday includes the IRC Solent Region Championship Series 3.

14. RISK STATEMENT.

- 14.1 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 event 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) 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.

15. INSPECTION

15.1 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.

16. INSURANCE

16.1 Each participating boat shall be adequately insured with cover of at least £3,000,000 (three million pounds sterling) against third party claims.

17. EMERGENCY CONTACT

17.1 For safety reasons, all entrants shall provide via the online entry form the details requested therein of a shore-based person who will be contactable during the Regatta and who will have an up to date list of the boat's Crew and Skipper and their emergency contact details.

18 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 18.1 For further information, please contact the Royal Solent Yacht Club during business hours on 01983 760256 or at www.royalsolent.org
- 18.2 Entrants requiring harbour berths should book via the online booking system; the time for vacating berths on Sunday has been extended to 18:00hrs to enable entrants to attend the prize-giving. For further information re harbour facilities please contact Yarmouth Harbour:

Telephone: 01983 760321.

Website: <u>www.yarmouth-harbour.co.uk</u> Email: <u>info@yarmouth-harbour.co.uk</u>

19. SOCIAL EVENTS

19.1 All Regatta Social Bookings should be made via the online booking system including: Taittinger Champagne Reception on Friday 14thth July at 18:00hrs.

The Charity Towers Party on Saturday 15th July at 20:30hrs.