



FOLKBOAT WEEK



Saturday 16th - Friday 22nd August 2025

NOTICE OF RACE

for Nordic, Classic and Cruisers

ORGANISED & HOSTED BY THE ROYAL SOLENT YACHT CLUB YARMOUTH, ISLE OF WIGHT



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The Commodore, 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.

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Abbreviations:

RRS: Racing Rules of Sailing

NFIA: Nordic Folkboat International Association Rules

UKFAR: UK Folkboat Association 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 (RRS), this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.2 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) as laid out in Appendix 1, may be changed by the Sailing Instructions.

3 Communication

- 3.1 The official Notice Board is located at <u>royalsolent.org/folkboat-week/folkboat-week-2025/</u>
- 3.2 In addition to the official Notice Board, communication with competitors will be on VHF channel 72.
- 3.3 The event messaging system will be via WhatsApp to mobile numbers provided by competitors for communications.
- 3.4 All boats will carry an operational VHF radio while racing, proceeding to a race or returning from a race.
- 3.5 A boat that retires from a race shall make every effort to inform the Race Committee as soon as practical.

4 Class Rules

- 4.1 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).
- 4.2 UKFAR A3.3 (eligibility) may be waived at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 4.3 This Notice of Race may be changed or supplemented by the entry form, Sailing Instructions or by a notice or poster on the official Notice Board.

5 Advertising

5.1 Advertising is required by the Organising Authority.



6. Eligibility and Entry for Folkboat Week.

6.1 Racing will be in three divisions: **Open, Classic and Cruisers.**

6.2 **Open Division**

Eligible One Design Nordic Folkboats are invited to enter the Open Division. Racing in this Division will be level rated, and must comply with all the current NFIA Rules.

6.3 Classic Division

Entries are invited from eligible Folkboats (including Mariholm or I. Folkboats) which are fitted out for coastal cruising and which may have an engine, either inboard, or a transom hung outboard. A TCF will be applied to the elapsed time.

- 6.4 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 Classic Division entries is final.
- 6.5 Classes may be combined at the discretion of the Principal Race Officer.
- 6.6 Entries should be made online, which together with the appropriate entry fee shall have been received by the Royal Solent Yacht Club no later than midnight Sunday 10th August 2025.
- 6.7 All helms in Open and Classic Division must be Full or Associate Members of the UK Folkboat Association and shall have paid their subscriptions for 2025 prior to 1st July 2025. (Not applicable to the Cruiser Division).
- 6.8 Overseas helms/boats in Open Division, will be temporary members on the payment of f10 to the UK Folkboat Association.

6.9 Cruiser Division

There will be short trips on shore and out to anchorages planned for Cruisers, no racing involved, crews are eligible to join in all social events.

7 Schedule of Races/Time Limit and Fees Payable

- 7.1 Racing Schedule & Time Limits will be as per Appendix 1. This changes RRS 35.
- 7.2 The Time Limit or Schedule for races may be varied by the Organising Committee; changes will be published on the RSYC Notice Board not later than 0800 on the day of the race and may also be published on the RSYC website and WhatsApp.
- 7.3 Fees payable online, as Appendix 1, by midnight Sunday 10th August 2025.

8 Venue and Racing Area

- 8.1 The venue will be RSYC, Yarmouth, Isle of Wight, PO41 0NS.
- 8.2 Racing will be in the Western and Central Solent and may include the Western Approaches to the Solent.

8.3 **Haulout Restrictions:**

Boats may not be hauled out during Folkboat week without the express prior permission of the P.R.O. Boats shall not be cleaned below the waterline by any means from noon Saturday 16th August until after noon Friday 22nd August.

8.4 Courses may be transmitted only by VHF on Channel 72.



9 Sailing Instructions

- 9.1 Sailing Instructions will be available from the RSYC Sailing Office, or the RSYC website royalsolent.org/folkboat-week/folkboat-week-2025/ no later than 1st August 2025.
- 9.2 Cruisers will receive their Itinerary on Saturday 16th August at the RSYC opening party.

10 Scoring system Folkboat Week

- 10.1 The minimum number of races to constitute a series is 2.
- 10.2 Scoring will be in accordance with RRS Low Points System Appendix A as amended below:
- 10.2.1 If 6 or more races are completed a boat's worst score will be discarded (unless RRS 90.3 (b) applies).
- 10.2.2. The score for a boat that does not come to the starting area (DNC) shall be scored points for the finishing place two more than the number of boats that came to the starting area. This changes RRS A5.2, A5.3.
- 10.2.3 Rule 90.3 (e) shall apply.

11 Penalty System

- 11.1 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.
- 11.2 Exoneration Penalty.
 - A boat that may have broken a rule of RRS Part 2, or Part 3 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.
- 11.3 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.
- 11.4 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.
- 11.5 For breaches of any rule, other than a rule of RRS Parts 1 and 2, the Protest Committee may decide the penalty.

12 Safety

12.1 See British Folkboat racing Regulations; see UKFAR Rule 6.3.

13 Risk Statement

13.1 Rule 3 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.

14 Inspections

14.1 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.

15 Insurance

- 15.1 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 £5,000,000 or equivalent.
- 15.2 Data Protection. The use of any personal data shall comply with current legislation. Further information can be found here: Personal Data Protection/Privacy Policy (royalsolent.org)

16 Prizes

- 16.1 There will be a daily Prizegiving for Open and Classic Divisions during Folkboat week.
- 16.2 Keeper Prizes, sponsored by Lymington Yacht Haven, will be awarded for both Divisions.
- 16.3 The following trophies will be awarded:

The NFIA Trophy: overall winner in the Open Division and Keeper Prizes for overall 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

Engined Boat Trophy: overall winner in the Classic Division and Keeper prizes for overall 1st and 2nd.

Lymington Yacht Haven Trophy: the first Open Division boat in the Long Solent Race.

Colin Gray Trophy: the first Classic Division boat in the Long Solent Race.

Scanyacht Nordic Plaque: the overall winner of Trophy Races 1 & 2 Open Division.

Scanyacht Rose Bowl: overall winner of Trophy Races 1 & 2 Classic Division.

The Ratsey & Lapthorn Trophy: overall winner Windward/Leeward Races Open Division. The Lymington Yacht Haven Tankard: overall winner Windward/Leeward Races Classic Division



Alan Davis Salver: the first Open Division Boat in the Christchurch Ledge Race.

Jack Riddle Challenge Cup: the first Classic Division Boat in the Christchurch Ledge Race.

Wyvern Batt Trophy: first in the Trophy Race Open Division.

Tomic Trophy: the overall winner Classic 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: first boat Open Division of the Bernard Turner Points Race.

Barbara Hempstead Trophy: winner of Classic Division Points Race.

NATIONAL EVENT TROPHIES - Awarded for events other than this Regatta:

Folkboat Half Model FBA Round the Island Winner for the first Nordic boat in the Round the Island Race Folkboat Division.

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

Burnett Cup for the first Folkboat in the Taittinger RSYC Regatta.

Folkboat Full Model FBA Regatta Series Winner

These trophies will be awarded on Saturday 11th October at the RLYC Dinner.

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 with updated engraving.

17 Further Information.

- 17.1 Discounted Moorings for Folkboats and Nanny Boats must be booked online. 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.
- 17.2 Please note the Royal Solent Yacht Club cannot accept responsibility for private property left on the premises.
- 17.3 All events will be conducted in accordance with the RYA Racing Charter.
- 17.4 Social programme as per Appendix 2.



App 1: Schedule of Races and Fees

EVENT	DAY	DAILY FEES	HW / LW Portsmouth BST	RACES	START TIME	TIME LIMIT
1/2	Sun 17th Aug	£30	HW 0618 4.0m LW 1146 1.7m	Briefing at RSYC WALCON CUP DAY TWO Trophy Races ~ Two races OD & CD Back to Back Races 1/2: OD Scanyacht Nordic Plaque Races 1/2: CD Scanyacht Rose Bowl	Not before 1030	2.5 hours after valid start time per race or 30 minutes after first finisher
3	Mon 18th Aug	£35	HW 0736 3.9m LW 1309 1.9	Christchurch Ledge Race Race 3 OD: Alan Davis Salver Race 3 CD: Jack Riddle Trophy	Not before 1030	6 hours after valid start time or 1 hour after 1st finisher
4/5	Tue 19th Aug	£30	HW 0904 3.9m LW 1434 1.9m	Two Trophy Races Races 4/5: OD Wyvern Batt Trophy Races 4/5: CD Tomic Trophy	Not before 1030	2.5 hours after valid start time or 30 minutes after 1st finisher
	Wed 20th Aug		HW 1019 4.0	Reserve Day		
6/7/8	Thur 21st Aug	£40	HW 1118 4.3m LW 1632 1.5m	Windward-Leewards 3 Races Back to Back Races 6/7/8: OD Ratsey & Lapthorn Trophy Races 6/7/8: CD Lymington Yacht Haven Tankard	Not before 1100	1hour after valid start time per race or 15 mins after 1st finisher
9	Fri 22nd Aug	£30	HW 1205 4.5m	Points Races Race 9: OD Bernard Turner Points Race Race 9: CD Barbara Hempstead Points Race	Not before 1000 No Warning Signal after 1300	2.5 hours after valid start time or 30 minutes after 1st finisher

Total Daily Fees £165 reduced to £145 for boats entered for all races

Classic Division boats start TEN MINUTES AFTER the Open Division for all races except for races 6, 7 & 8 in the Classic Division which will be **FIVE MINUTES AFTER** the Open Division.

Abbreviations:- **CD** ~ Classic 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.



App 2: SOCIAL EVENTS

DAY	TIME	SOCIAL EVENTS	PRICE
Saturday * 16th August	18:00 for 18:30	60th Party Time Rum Cocktail Party & Dinner at RSYC Poached Fresh Salmon with Chive & Lemon Mayonnaise. Chimi Churri King Prawns. Thai Coconut Chicken Skewers. Char Siu Pork. Cold Salads. Orzo Salad. Paprika & Lime Buttered Corn Ribs. Garlic Buttered Roasted New Potato. Eton Mess. Supported by Lymington Yacht Haven	£33.95
Sunday * 17th August	09:00	Briefing at RSYC	
17th August	18:00 for 18.30	Prizegiving Hog Roast & Salad at RSYC Garden Games, BYO Music Supported by Lymington Yacht Haven	£19.95
Monday * 18th August	18:00	Prizegiving & BBQ at the YSC	£20
Tuesday ** 19th August	18.00 - 19.30	Prizegiving & Garden Party at Buddles Butt Supported by Lymington Yacht Haven	£12
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Wednesday ** 20th August	18:30 -20.30	Wightwood Pizza - Josh's Wood Fired Pizza Van will be at RSYC please indicate numbers when booking Followed by a Sing Song	From £8 a pizza No pre- payment required
Thursday ** 21st August	18:00	Folkboat Week Open Discussion Meeting at RSYC	
	From 19:30	Prizegiving, Quiz & Curry Night at RSYC Beef Madras & Butter Chicken Curry Served with Basmati Rice, Poppodums & Chutneys Mango & Passion Fruit Sorbet	£19.95
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Friday * 22nd August	18:00	End of Regatta Drinks	
	From 18:30	Dinner & Prizegiving at RSYC (inc wine) Prawn & Crayfish Cocktail Braised Lamb Neck Fillet, Creamed Potato, Cabbage & Tomato & Courgette Salsa	£36.95
		Lemon Tart	
		Supported by Lymington Yacht Haven	
		Bar open until 23:30 Carriages at midnight	



The Folkboat Association is grateful to the support of Lymington Yacht Haven during Folkboat Week 2025.

Royal Solent Yacht Club is grateful for sponsorship of the Racing Mark Buoys from the following:



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In memory of Adam Harding-Domeney















