

NOTICE OF RACE for

THE PRINCE CONSORT CHARITY REGATTA





Saturday 4th & Sunday 5th July

2015

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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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 Rule 42.3(i) will be in place. Engines or any other method of propulsion may be used to avoid commercial shipping without penalty providing the boat does not gain a significant advantage in the race.

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: XOD, YOD, Folkboat, Cruising yachts using the RYA National Handicap for Cruisers and all IRC boats.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing an entry form and sending it, together with the required fee, to the Royal Solent Yacht Club by Friday 3rd July 2015. Alternatively, the entry form can be downloaded from the Royal Solent Yacht Club website at www.royalsolent.org.
- 4.3 Entries should be accompanied by the appropriate entry fee and a current IRC certificate for IRC entries.
- 4.4 Late entries may be considered by the Race Committee.
- 4.5 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of f(2) million sterling or the equivalent.

5. FEES

5.1 £10 per boat plus a discretionary donation for out chosen charities.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1 Each class will be scheduled to have one long race to the east on Saturday and one shorter race in the Western Solent on Sunday.
- 6.2 Racing on Saturday and on Sunday will not start before 10:00 am.
- 6.3 Saturday's race will also be part of the Folkboat's Association W.S.S. Series: Race 3.
- 6.4 Sunday's race will also form part of RSYC Sunday series.

7. MEASUREMENTS & HANDICAPS.

- 7.1 Each boat in IRC Handicap class shall produce a copy of a current IRC rating certificate with their entry. Updated certificates will be accepted up to 16:00 hours on 3rd July 2015.
- 7.2 RYA National Handicap for Cruiser Class should send a copy of a valid rating certificate, if they have one, with their entry. Race results will be based on each yacht's elapsed time, corrected by its RYA National Handicap for Cruisers (TCF) and in accordance with the Regatta Rules for the RYA NHC these TCFs will be modified after each race. Boats without a handicap may download a 'RYA NHC Handicap' application form from the Royal Solent web site www.royalsolent.org and submit it with their entry form. Yachts without a RYA NHC handicap are asked to apply early so that the RYA have enough time to issue a handicap; submissions should be made before the 13th June. A list of 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 13th June 2014 and may 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 and Central 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 may be made on Ch. 37 [M1] by the Race Committee.
- 11.2 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 11.3 Failure to make or receive a broadcast shall not be grounds for redress.

12. PRIZES

12.1 Prizes will be awarded for first and second place in each class. Third place prizes will be awarded to classes with more than six entrants. Prizes will be presented at a Prize Giving Dinner on Saturday 4th July for Saturday's racing and after racing on Sunday 5th July for Sunday's races.

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 f(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 or moorings should be made directly with the Yarmouth harbour, if you need more information on harbour facilities please contact them directly;

Telephone: 01983 760321.

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

The first start will not be before 10:00 am on both Saturday and Sunday.

16. SOCIAL EVENT

16.1 Saturday evenings Prince Consort Charity Prize Giving Dinner should be booked directly with the Royal Solent Yacht Club.